

## How Can I Tell You . . .

. . . how thrilled I was  
by your featured reading?  
I mean, really tell you, not  
just the way I said so afterwards,  
which felt like such a cliché?

Perhaps I could simply say:  
it took three or four days more  
before I felt as if I had any reason  
to pick up my own notebook,  
pretend, again, to be a poet.

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