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a key in his own hand. A key is just a tool which is not a weapon. A key, like compass,

is an opening to what might lie ahead, beyond any visible horizon. To be alone at night with nothing but stars.

To seek a home beyond what we verb as conquest. Home is our democratic right. To home is our right for rest.



Art by: Julia Battisti

Volta do Mar (A Turn in the Sea) Written by Emily Walter

No matter what sea you sail, It is a window. And wind is merely your book to read.

I cannot hold all of the light that enters a day, but a single hand no matter what age, can cover the sun. My hand, your hand,

our hands can hold a rope to cinch the sails tight in Palladian light as much as we can keep our hand

open to feel the wind. I can sail a wooden skiff which translates as merely hours of reading the wind meeting waves. But to read the wind

is to allow our bodies to be animals in movement by weather and sea. To be who we are, to be animals floating, around by

rise and fall of our moon. To be at home with nothing but our bodies, floating on hope and weathered skill.

Once when I wanted my body to end, I took it to Sagres and let it rise in the morning. I walked the cliffs of wind whipped sage, followed

a few stray cats. I awoke to the light of bright poppies, past ruins where even Columbus first held a compass, a sextet



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