

**Neshama Williams**

## icarus

when i told you given the right push i  
could snatch a firefly from orion's belt  
you bought me a trampoline  
duct taped it to the roof  
double dog dared me  
to bring back the whole damn galaxy

turns out i'm not as smart as i thought i was but  
after some trial and error i finally got it right

so here's that galaxy i promised you  
it's a silly little thing really  
when you have it in your hands  
like a warm cup of tea  
and if you hold it to your ear  
you can hear its beating heart

## lucky girl

the cashier stares at my five-o'clock shadow  
then my sundress – then my stubble again

when she scans the bouquet of roses  
she finally meets my eyes and asks

who's the lucky girl?

i smile and answer

i'm the lucky girl  
i bought these  
for myself