

# Shelby Sifers, From My Cumolous Clouds

i dream so loudly,  
i'm afraid you'll hear  
you're always in them,  
my thoughts are clear  
until i wake up,  
they get mixed around  
my words feel sideways  
my eyes fall to the ground  
they're coming down  
i would have lived a lifetime  
if i died right now  
i'd be staring at you  
from my cumulus clouds  
in the backyard, we were everything  
sailors  
twenty years later, nothing has changed  
just sitting here  
broken sticks and an empty dress up case  
i would have lived a lifetime  
if i died right now  
i'd be staring at you  
from my cumulus clouds  
you cried inside your bed  
where i played this song  
though the chords were sloppy  
and the melody was entirely wrong  
and i kissed your eyelids  
or at least where i thought that they should be  
you were close to me  
and i can't breathe  
i can't breathe