

Vol. 6: Seasons

The entities were all colored windows / upon which fell the rays of Being's Sun. In every window—red, yellow, blue— / the Light appeared in the window's color.

—Jami

Like light passing through a prism to reveal its many colors, the myriad expressions of the Earth unfold through the seasons. We've long moved with their simple and sacred rhythm; they are the primary gateway through which the human engages with cycles of creation, destruction, and renewal. But today we estrange ourselves from the seasons with technology and human-centric myths, while an unraveling climate causes them to grow increasingly unfamiliar. Reflecting a world where snow no longer arrives, annual migrations fall out of time, yet first blossoms still burst, *Seasons*, our sixth print edition, moves through three themes: requiem, invitation, and celebration—each a contemplation on the paradoxical ways the seasons now beckon us into intimate relationship. This collection of haiku, essays, short fiction, photography, conversations, and poetry, infused with a spectrum of color and light, listens for the turning song of the seasons—for what vanishes and what remains—attentive to these moments that call us into communion with the Earth.

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- Pushcart Prize: "When the Prince of Heaven Sleeps," by Roger Reeves (2025)
- European Design Awards Gold Winner: "Best Magazine" for Vol.4: Shifting Landscapes (2024)
- Webby People's Choice Award: "Best Magazine" (2024)
- National Magazine Awards Nominee: "Best Digital Illustration" for "When the Earth Started to Sing," by Daniel Liévano (2023)
- Pushcart Prize Nominee: "Of Wandering Angels and Lost Landmarks," by Daegan Miller (2023)
- European Design Awards Silver Winner: (Studio Airport) for "The Pollinators of Slovenia" (2023)
- Signal Awards Bronze Winner: "Best Editing" for "Valemon the Bear: Myth in the Age of the Anthropocene" (2023)
- Webby Awards Winner: "Best Writing Editorial" (2022)
- · Signal Podcast Awards Gold Winner (2022)
- AOI World Illustration Award: Daniel Liévano's for "When the Earth Started to Sing" (2022)
- · National Magazine Awards Finalist: "Best Design" (2022)
- Pushcart Prize Nominee: "Best of the Small Presses" (2021)
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