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**Deep Blue Sky** Molly Brown

I wish I had not eaten the fruit that  
makes my mother cry. Hades beguiled  
me to a taste from which I did not  
come.

With a flavor cherry sharp, Hermes delivered  
me. But, now, my heart craved a palette  
from the depths, a place I cannot call  
home.

For months below I stay, honored queen of hell.  
I leave behind an Earth that dies, fading from reality,  
but with my return they worship me: goddess of fertility,  
Persephone.