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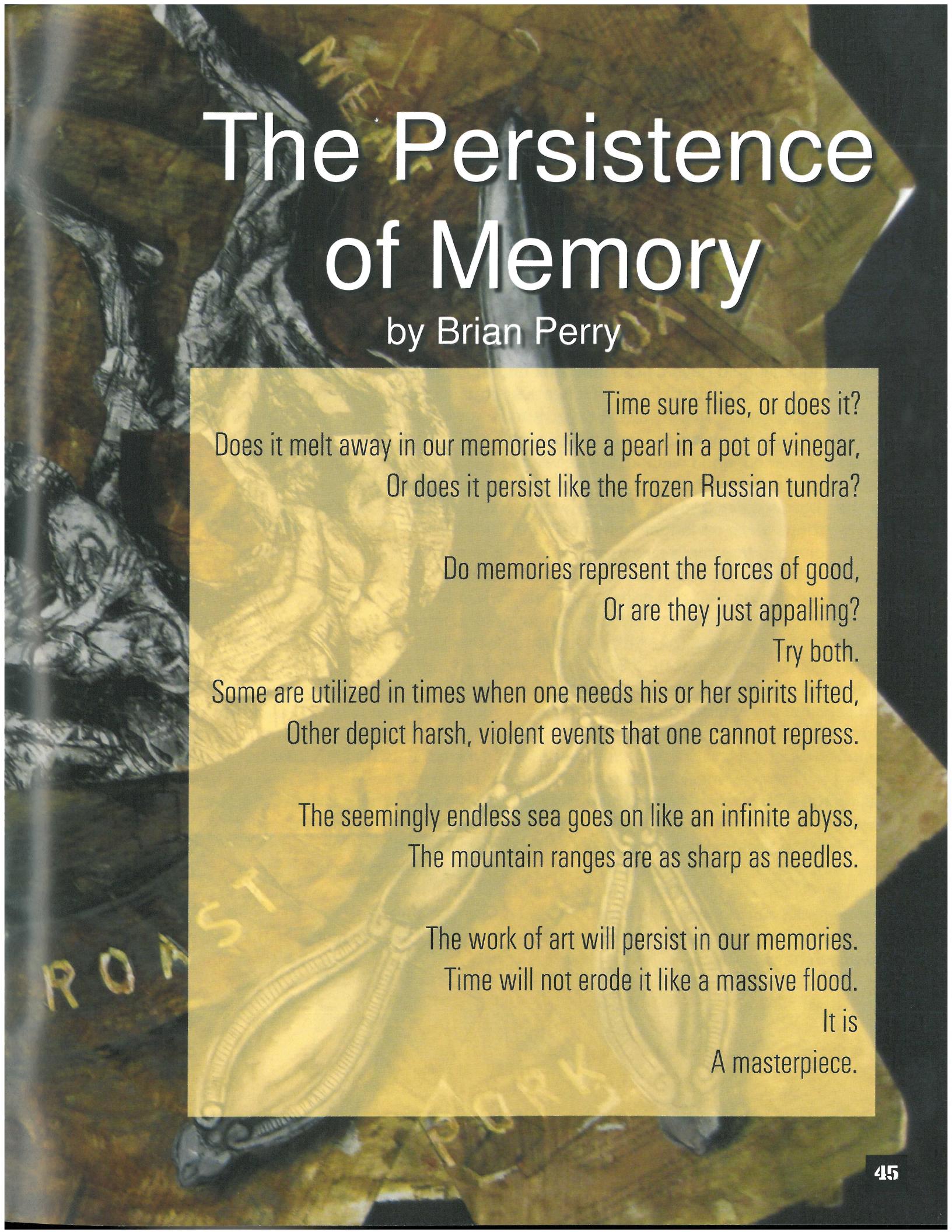
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# The Persistence of Memory

by Brian Perry

Time sure flies, or does it?  
Does it melt away in our memories like a pearl in a pot of vinegar,  
Or does it persist like the frozen Russian tundra?

Do memories represent the forces of good,  
Or are they just appalling?  
Try both.

Some are utilized in times when one needs his or her spirits lifted,  
Other depict harsh, violent events that one cannot repress.

The seemingly endless sea goes on like an infinite abyss,  
The mountain ranges are as sharp as needles.

The work of art will persist in our memories.  
Time will not erode it like a massive flood.  
It is  
A masterpiece.