

## **Winter Comes to the Gardens**

Suddenly we realize it is ending.  
Leaves plummet to the ground.  
Frost coats the apartment roofs  
And geese begin their migration.  
Holiday displays remind us of winter solstice  
And the sense of love and loss  
So often felt at this time of year.  
A gardener takes a break for a time  
Until the lengthening days of the new year  
Bring anticipation of a new season.

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