

## **A Few Drops at Sunrise**

A few drops at sunrise  
blustery gray all day  
steady showers since sunset

three hours so far  
first good soaking  
since I don't know when

just what Spring needed  
to re-seed the weeds and grasses  
we haven't seen for years

before the heat they're saying  
may be the worst on record  
again, the heat no one

is ready for, not even  
the rich in their bubbles,  
air conditioners

stopgap luxuries  
not up to the job  
besides being part of the problem

fossil fuel combustion  
greenhouse gases, people  
falling dead in their tracks

especially old people  
thousands all around the world  
more each summer

old metabolisms  
that don't work like they did,  
don't sweat enough

no matter how much they drink  
to cool dehydrated  
climate change flesh and blood.