ALMOST FORGOTTEN JOURNEY

Eons before we ventured through the womb and entered into death's arena, this, the short apprenticeship we serve between revolving epochs— there was staging room where I remember bending toward the kiss of light, becoming crystal tourmaline, then part of tide—wash flooding a ravine. Next I became a seed, the genesis of being. Probably we met at times, you in a storm or molten rock's abyss. Can you recall the others, those with whom we shared galactic fires and helix climbs? Or did we leave them in the early rimes of cooling clay to plan a nobler tomb?

--Glenna Holloway