

Katie Fisher – Exotic Species

“Here’s the secret of life: be here now, love as if your whole life depended on it, find your life’s work, and try to get hold of a giant panda.” – Anne Lamott

Could a panda
eat bamboo here
in Accokeek?

Would the deer
leave if a Chinese
creature appeared?

Maybe the marvelous
bear would feel
right at home

in the back yard.
The mower came
from China too.

I can see him,
roly poly
on the dry hill,

black and white,
half hidden, in the
green paw paw trees.

For ten years
we’ve wanted a
goat or pig or dog.

I could adapt
to a giant panda.
For love.