To a Wild Rose Poetry Contest 2010

First-Place Winner:

Karen McKinnon, Sandia Park, NM

"Introducing"

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a Crocus blossom
first up
in the lavender and yellow Spring
I reach for it in the blooming
moist earth.
Just one Crocus all by itself
yet there will be more
in the border of lawn,
more pushing upwards
to greet the new warmth
of the sun, the sun greedy to see
what its days can make
now
that it has come closer to Earth;
winter snow can no longer linger
next to the authority of these petals.
Crocus, a miniature flower
but not one to go unnoticed surrounded
as it is
by daffodils
not yet
born.

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