## **Rotten Thoughts**

My head is full of rotten things. Stained peels and sickly sweet rotting fruit, their flesh browned from exposure and bruised further by the hands that pick them from the branch of my frontal cortex.

> My head is full of sick things. Shadows that coil and snap, whose harsh whispers send me fitfully away into a land of viscous oil, filling my blackened lungs.

They sit me in a sterile room. Open their grinning maws and I see tunnels of pink that fluctuate with every word uttered. They call it a cure, drone on and on with hissing syllables that writhe in my brain.

> They pumped me full of numerous drugs, designed to rid me of all these haunting thoughts but I feel my brain fill with soggy cotton, hazy and ticklish in a way that has me slurring like a drunk.

Whisk me up instead. Blend every aspect of myself into a pink mucus of a milkshake to observe. I am but the center of this freakshow.

> Down the rabbit hole I go. With a voice in my head that's not my own.