



VERSE IN PLACE

PETER COYOTE

Sun of Honey

Preparing my daily rounds
after days of rain.
New sun climbs
the high garden wall,
piano notes
drip off ivy
each tapped leaf
a pressed key.

The still bright day
glissades and chords
two voices—
girl and man—
caress an aria.
Sudden heat on my cheek
love of this honey-sunned world.
I can't move.
Pierced by beauty
as if swarmed
by bees,
everything just
this moment
arrived.

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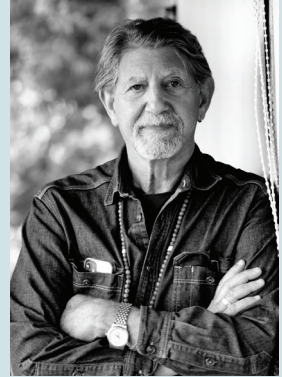
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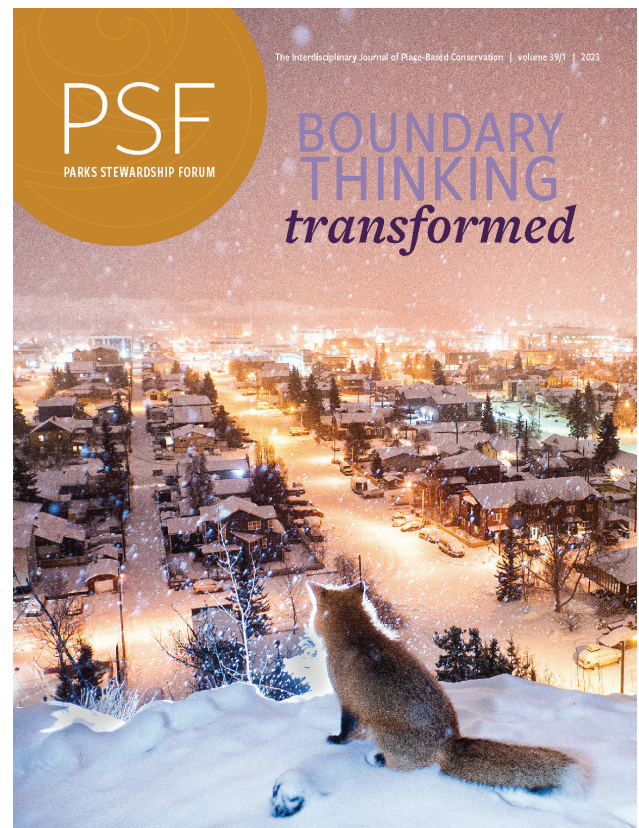
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