Tatyana Brown—Bread Loaf-Rona Jaffe Foundation Scholarship in Poetry
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Jennifer Bowen Hicks—Bread Loaf-Rona Jaffe Foundation Scholarship in Nonfiction
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