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Floyd Cheung: Two Poems

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Subaru Forester to Her Distracted Boyfriend

"Love. It's What Makes a Subaru a Subaru."

Can you be any more obvious Staring at every candy-colored, two-striped, Doe-eyed, guppy-grilled MINI Cooper That passes your ass, which I should say Is currently cradled by my leather bucket seats That you fell for back in 2011? Remember how you used to fondle my shift knob, Roll back my moon roof all the way, Press hard, and just touch my red line? We've gone fast, and we've gone slow-All-wheel drive, all the time And put in over 150,000 miles together. Don't throw away our love On a high-maintenance, go-cart fling. Get it together before your little key fob Never unlocks me again.

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Suitable Names

They call a flock of starlings a *murmuration*, ravens an *unkindness*, and crows a *murder*. These are suitable names, even in English.

Why do they call us a *colony*? We do not settle or proselytize. We gulls deserve better.

How about a throng, host, or troupe—even horde, mob, or rabble?

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Better yet a constellation

each of us a burning white sun tipped in charcoal and ash dancing in the sky,

who in our combined glory *dispersals* of hominids fail to appreciate.

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