

Teen Poetry 2nd Place

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A woman sits
stares
and watches.
What is on the other side? she wonders
She does not know
she does not know.
The ocean breeze calls to her
sings
begging her
to join its welcoming embrace.
She does not
instead
she chops.
Garlic
radish
onions
cabbage.
Kimchi.
She wonders
about the woman
on the other side of the sea
watching
waiting
for her.

A woman sits
stares
and watches.
She sees the arable land of the Skagit
but does not long to join her workers.
Instead she chops.
Garlic
radish
onions
cabbage.
Sauteed vegetables.
She wonders
about a woman
and what she might do with her cabbage.