

# Mothers and Mothering throughout the Life Course

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## Fields

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*“Fields” speaks of mothering a newly adult son. With imagery and sensory invitations, we—the words and I—convey the complexity of this changing relationship. Fresh grief tangles daily with wonder and hope. Waves of emotion manifest in empirical and speculative terrains with a desire to evoke curiosity, compassion, and reflection around a stage of mothering so often overlooked in the mother-child tumult of pregnancy, infancy, childhood, and adolescence.*

Our time/s,  
Seep singularly far,  
Diffusing selves.

Our concentrations expanding,  
Temperatures cooling,  
Senses making sense differently.

Silos were always fields,  
Undulating golden,  
Scratching at the fences of “I am.”

Shifting syllables shape,  
And sound maternal landscapes,  
Of you and I back-now-forward in time.

I won’t see our harvest,  
Face down in soil horizons,  
Sighing elementary flows into earth.

ARIEL MOY

I so long to see you,  
As our “us” loosens its threads,  
And glides across my event horizon.

Our times ahead,  
In silence,  
Are beyond me.



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