## Taxonomy

Cactus spines and aster puffs catch the light,
words, the precision of identifyingnaming-momentarily slip away,
and in the afternoon silence, I savor scarlet, green, gold.

The names float back-Burning
Bush, Mums, Amber Maple, Prickly
Pears and their juicy, seed-filled fruit;
Chollas, arching like small, gleaming acrobats.

Another year ending.

Life glows.

Wishing you joy in 2015!

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