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I am Death.  
Just as life is life,  
I am death.

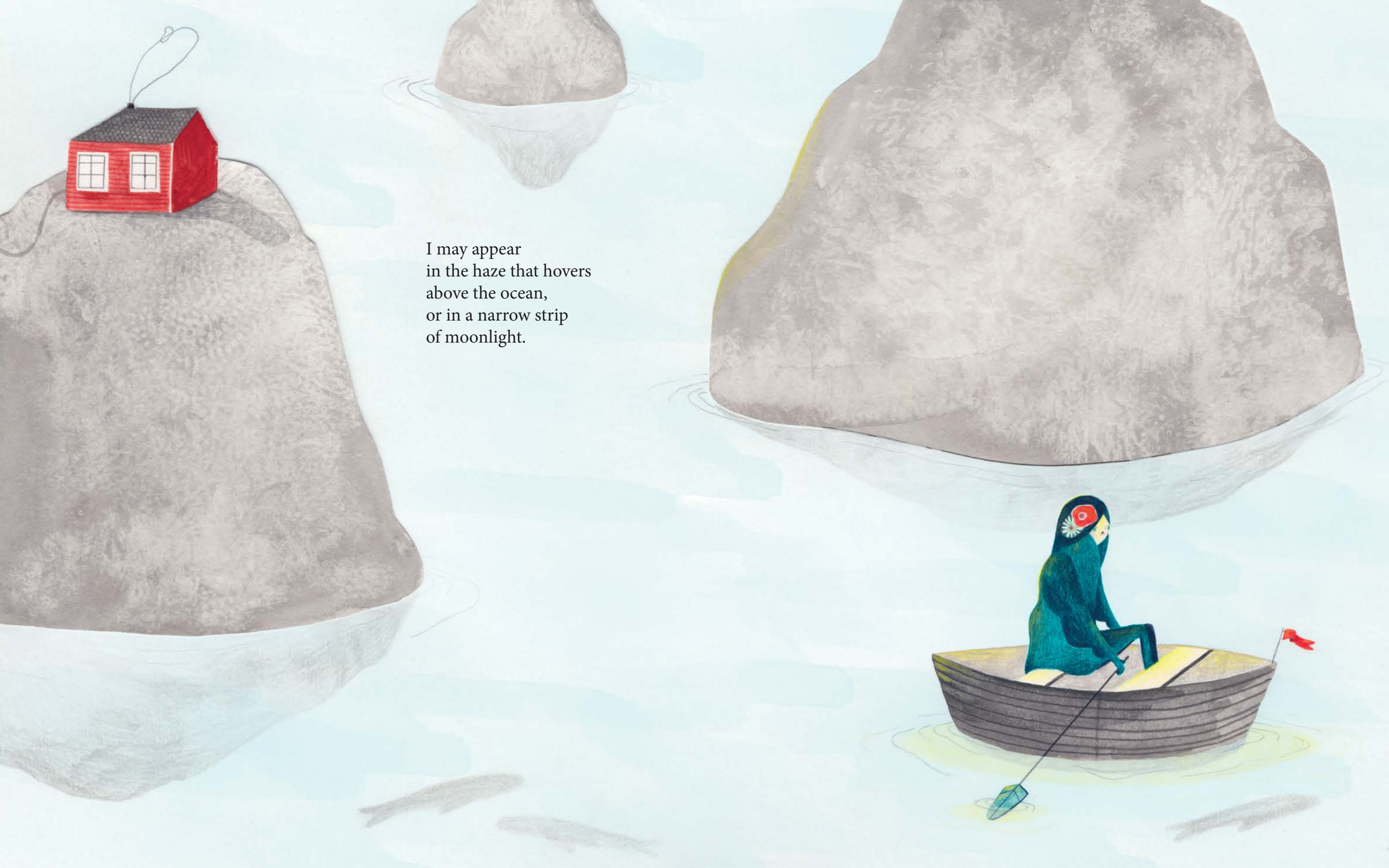


I pay visits  
to small animals with soft fur  
and big animals with beaks  
and sharp teeth.





I may arrive  
before the birds awaken  
or after the sun  
sweeps into the sky above.



I may appear  
in the haze that hovers  
above the ocean,  
or in a narrow strip  
of moonlight.

Some people light candles  
as they see me approach.  
Others close the curtains  
and hope I might pass by.







Sometimes I must knock  
a little more firmly  
on doors  
that nobody wants to open.

But from me,  
it is impossible to hide.

I come most often  
to those with wrinkles.  
Those who have lived the longest.

Those filled to the brim with the wonders of life,  
as if they were filled to the brim with delicious food.

I take their arm and we hold  
one another steady.  
Bodies creaking as we hobble  
onwards together.



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