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Long-legged as gazelles
Water striders skate through mist
Pedestrians across the pond.

Lumbering like an elephant
An iridescent beetle strains
Cresting the height of a limestone wall.

Light-footed as a dance troupe
Young spiders skim in all directions
Over the bark-clad plains of a spruce.

Buried like forgotten relics
New-hatched locusts forge from below
The inexorable climb toward the sun.