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Parenti: It'll be okay

Kathryn Parenti  
*It'll be okay*  
Gouache on  
Board

### Love Full of Loving

Ayesha Khan

I sit at the kitchen table,  
Separating each pomegranate seed from the other.  
It's messy work, but you don't like spending too much time on it your-  
self.

“Too much effort” (I wither away)

You like the roses in the vase beside your bed,  
The ones I spent an hour cutting the thorns off from.

I am good at separating and cleaning up,