

## **Green**

on a tiny bright island  
in a strip mall parking lot

two girls: nineteen or twenty  
thick pink plastic sunglasses,  
shoeless, short shorts, cigarettes

out on a lunch break, perhaps,  
stretched as if on beach blankets

what would have been so tacky  
at any other season  
or city, time, or weather

joyous as popsicles from  
the coldest part of the truck

it's the only spot of green  
to be seen for blocks and blocks