

Why Our Bathtub Sparkles

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We wait all winter for summer to come and bring us
houseguests we have to clean up special for and
at least it makes us you say and I'm not arguing.
I like to barbecue. You can tell that by looking.
Each other month a new article on how charred meat
is like eating a lit cigarette. And by the way French fries
are bullets and I'm standing in the kitchen with sleep
peeling off me wondering what new version of the world
I've woken in today. I once heard something bad
about tofu and I hold that in my heart like a figurine
of a child cradling a small blue bird. It's true you and I
jump on one another when they leave. It's true
that's my favorite part about having visitors.
It's my turn to do the toilets. They'll be explosions
in the sky around us this weekend. Our friend
and his wife will have flown through the darkness
toward us arriving smiling on our doorstep to be
fed smoked salmon and admire our Norway maple.
Then leave in three days. We'll celebrate that.

