

Goldfinch in a Redbud

April warmth invited my Redbud to bloom Winter has taken leave for it to Spring leaf It graces my days with its rose madder boon A greeting though annual approaching disbelief I must go lay on my back and for a while look up

The beauty has enticed a welcome guest A newly molted goldfinch to add its festive bling And as if it understands my viewing bequest Its chattering brings a welcome Spring ring I must return before fading and look up for a while

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