

KATYDID

Camouflaged for chlorophyll,
not for the metallic grey
Dodge.

A breathing leaf,
thick midrib,
long spindly legs dancing
on the hot hood
@ 35 mph.

An insect,
aware that letting go would mean
death.

Deliberately turning broadside.
Windblown suicidal legless leaf.
Remains hosed off with the next wash.

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