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Mohair Sweater

I didn't know you still were knitting, Mom,
but here it is: free floating dream sweater,
mohair, indigo with purple highlights,
flawless and ready to deliver its warmth.
Decades since either of us opened your box
of needles and yarn, thimbles and threads
on wooden spools, still handy and ready
to repair what needs mending.

The urge to dance overtakes me, arms outstretched,
fire aroused by your art of craft and color.
Lacking your patient skills, I offer
this homely word patch.

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