

# The Monday Poem: 'Everything Happens Twice' by Eve Robillard

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The Monday poem is brought to you by Jim Gormley in the SUNY Broome English Department. Enjoy!

## **Everything Happens Twice by Eve Robillard**

That bird sitting dazed on the railing  
has flown into your window before.

The dead-end street you've turned onto-  
You did that just last month. The boss

calling you into his office  
has nothing new to say.

There are only so many scripts.  
Everything happens twice.

The friend who borrows your raincoat  
will borrow your raincoat tomorrow. The parent

who never loved you enough  
is doing it from the grave. You are writing

the very same poem  
over & over again they are playing

that old, old song but it's never  
the very last dance. So smile at the guy

who drinks too much-  
the one with forget-me-not eyes. Sleep

with the one who calls you

by another woman's name.



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