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of the
Water*

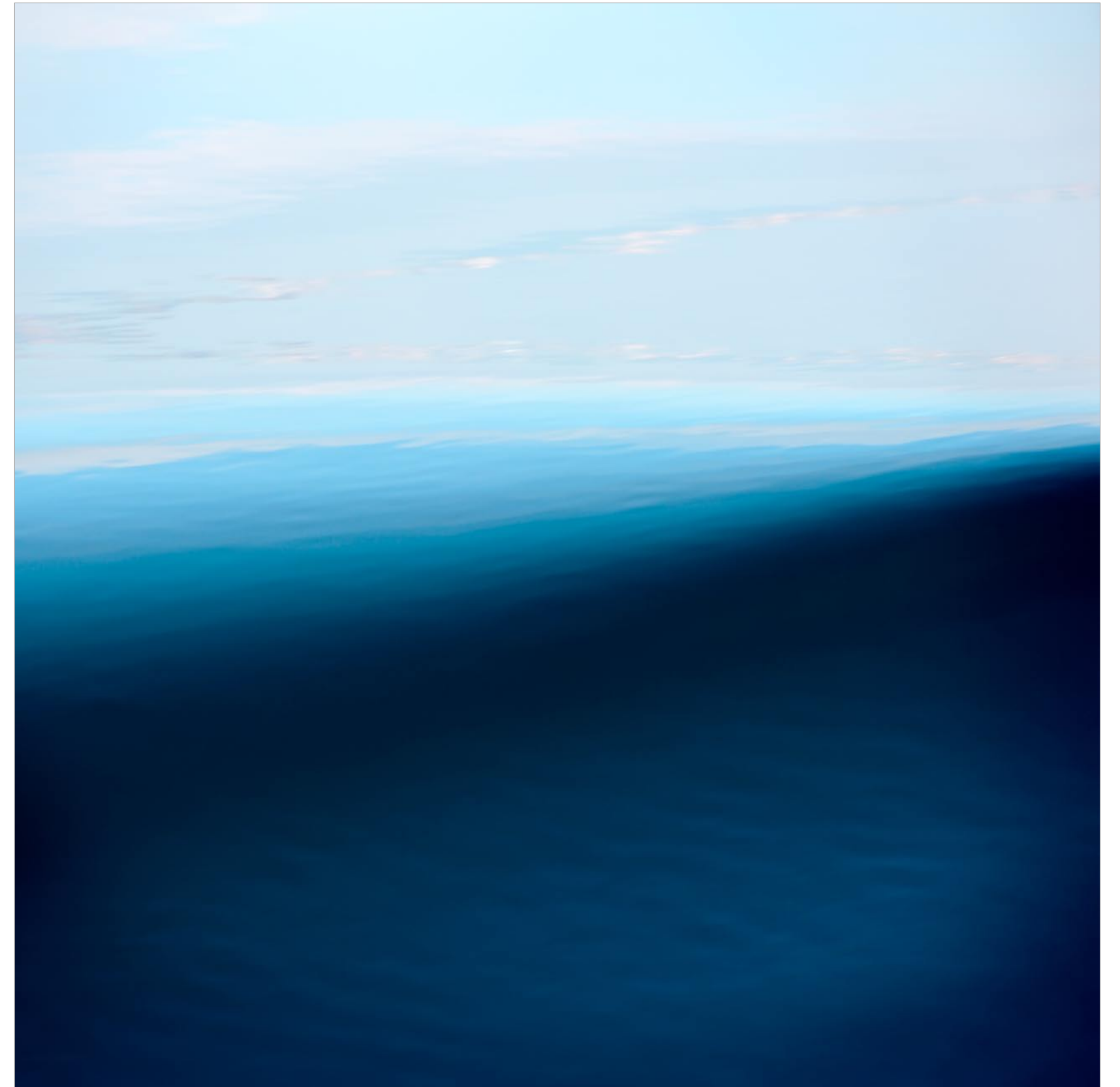
Peter Gabriel *Lyrics*
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To the place where I come from*

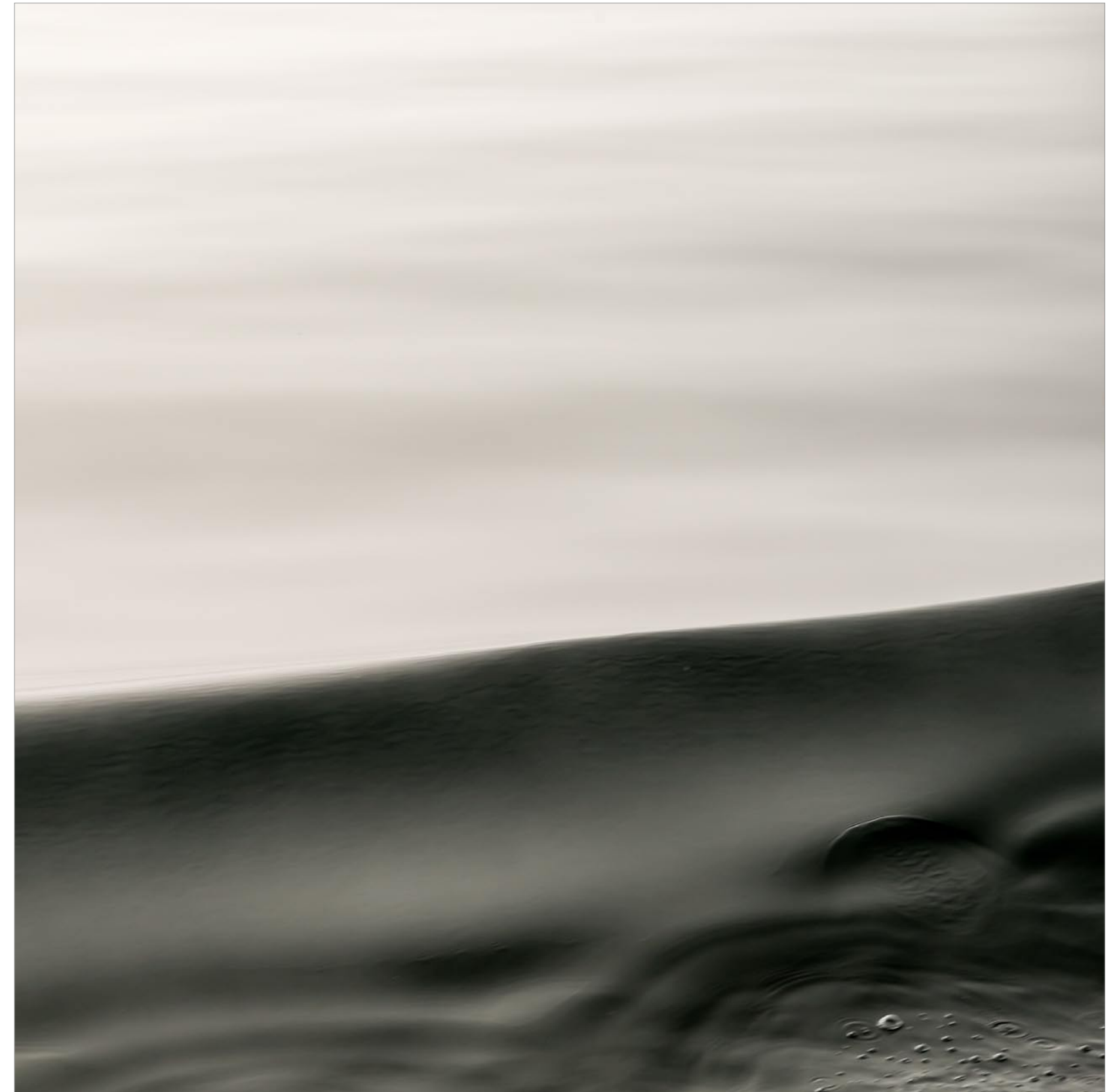
So deep so wide



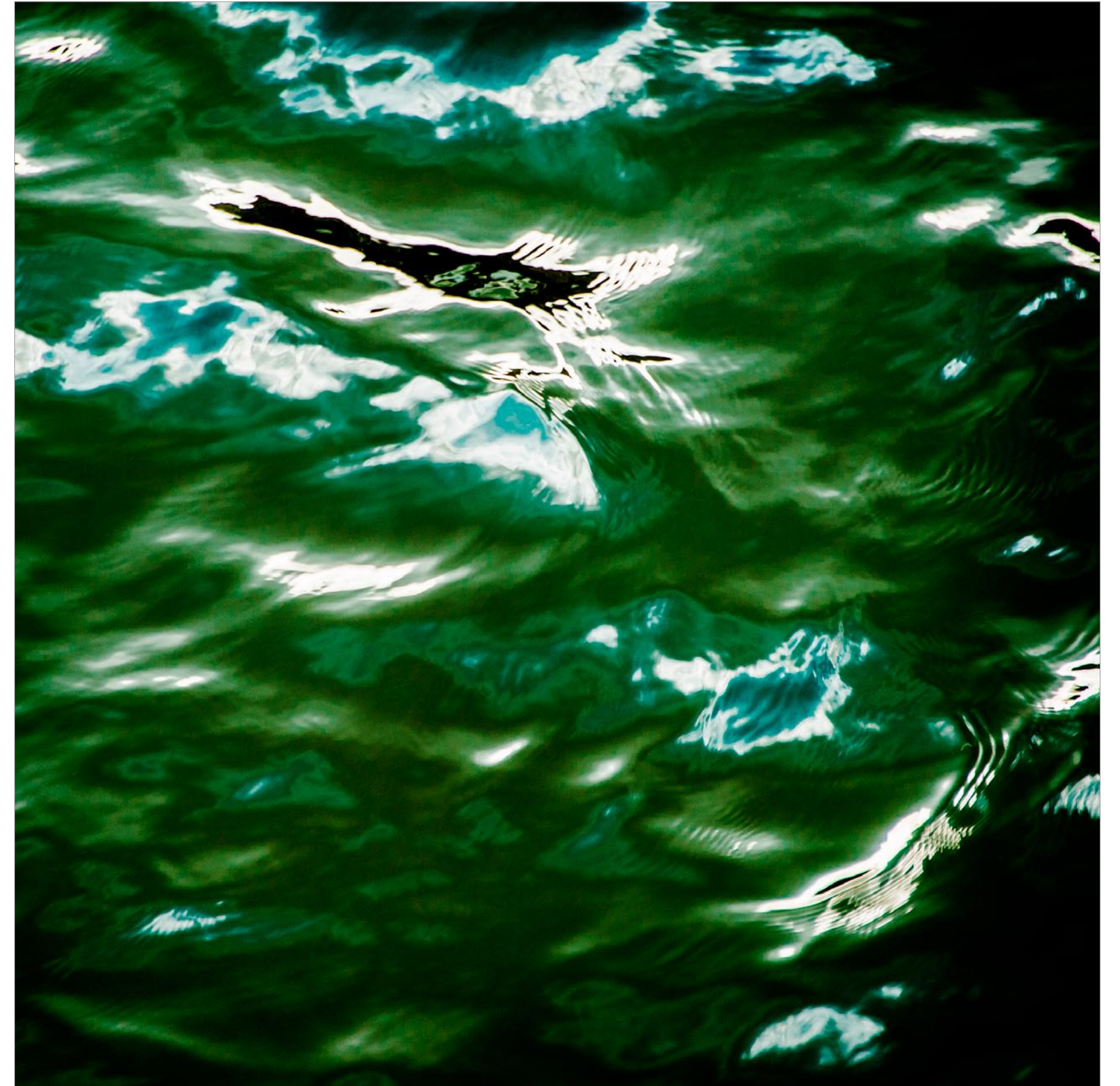
Will you take me on your back for a ride



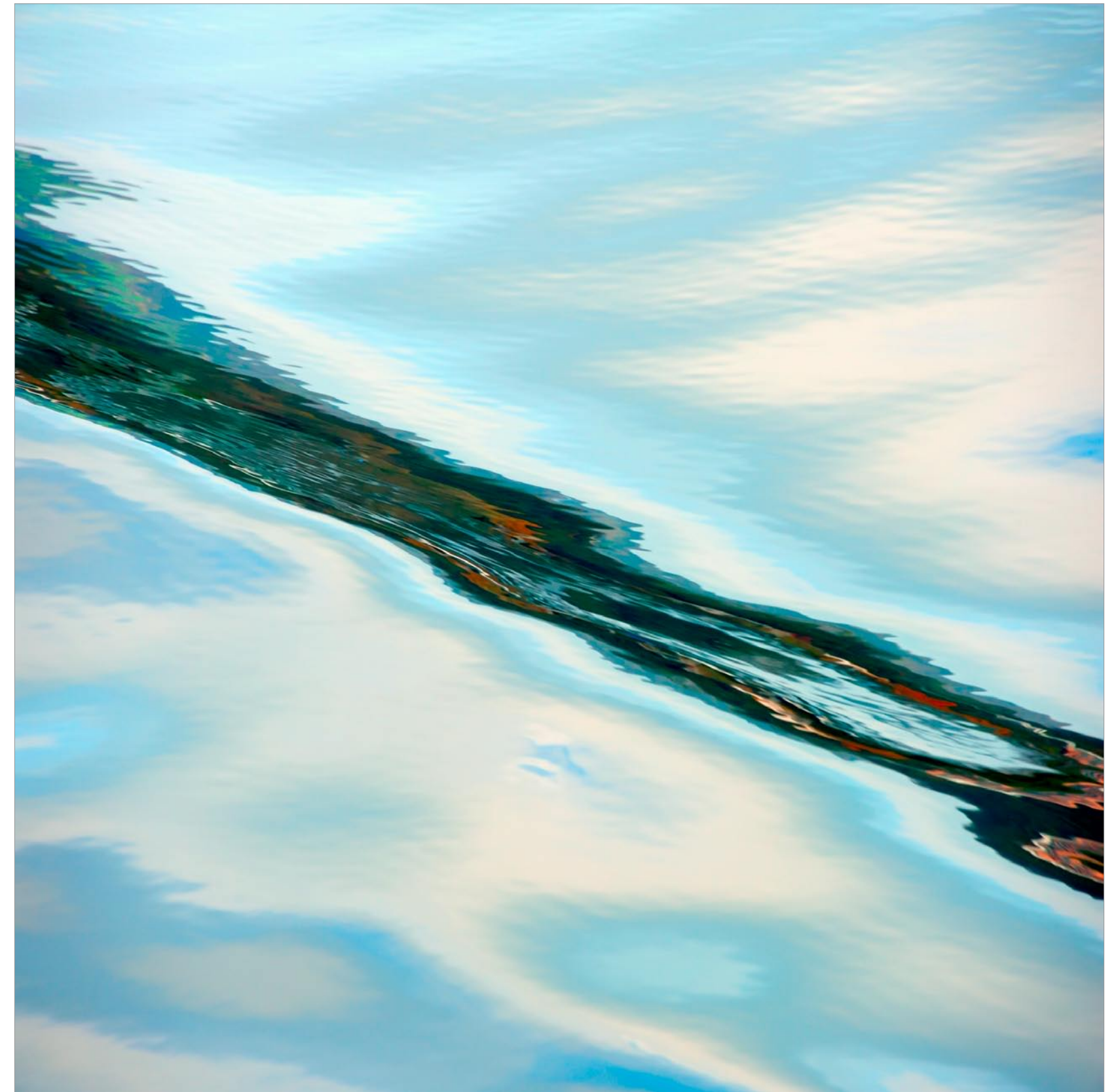
*If I should fall
Would you swallow me deep inside*



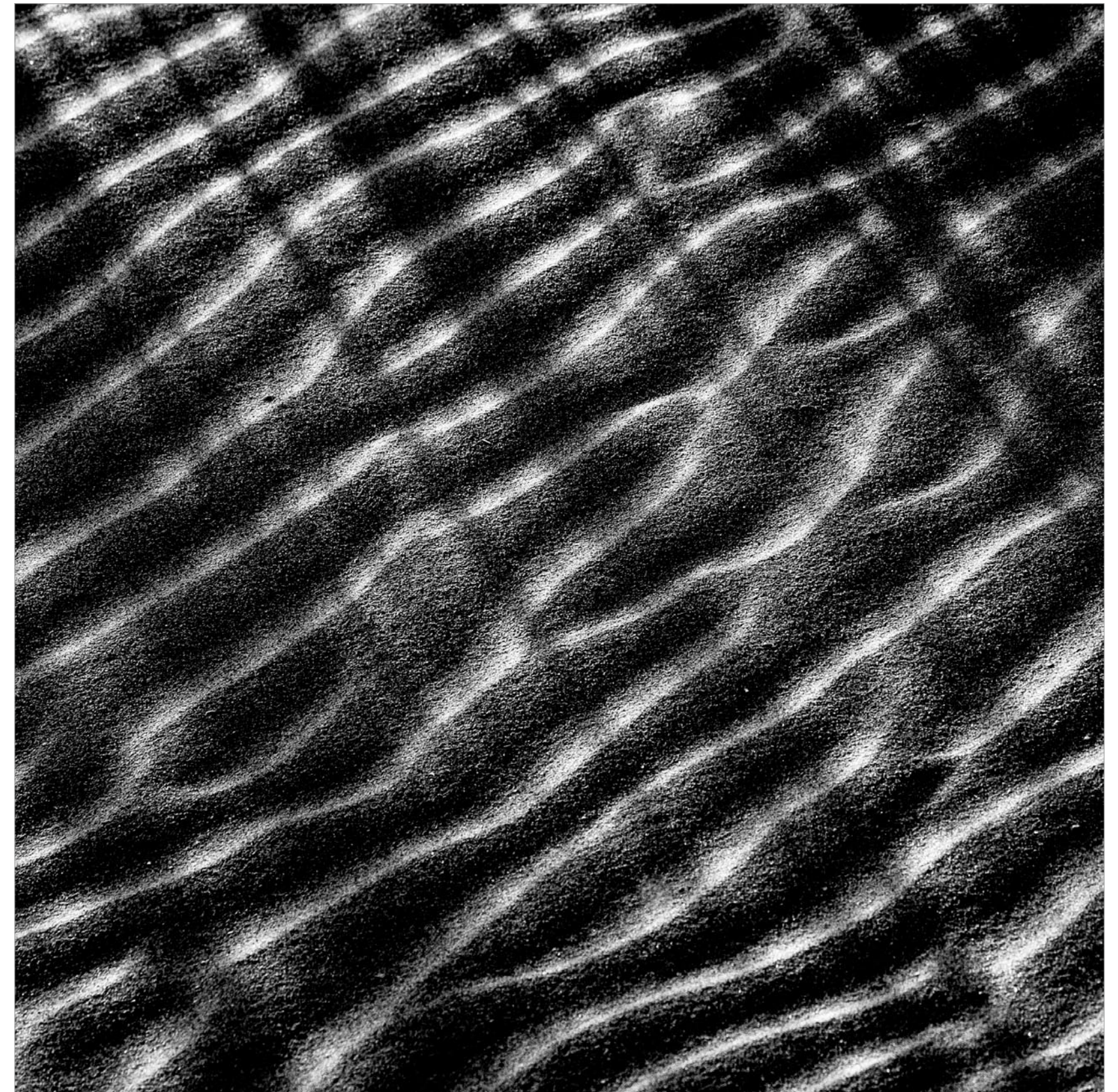
*River, show me how to float
I feel like I'm sinking down*



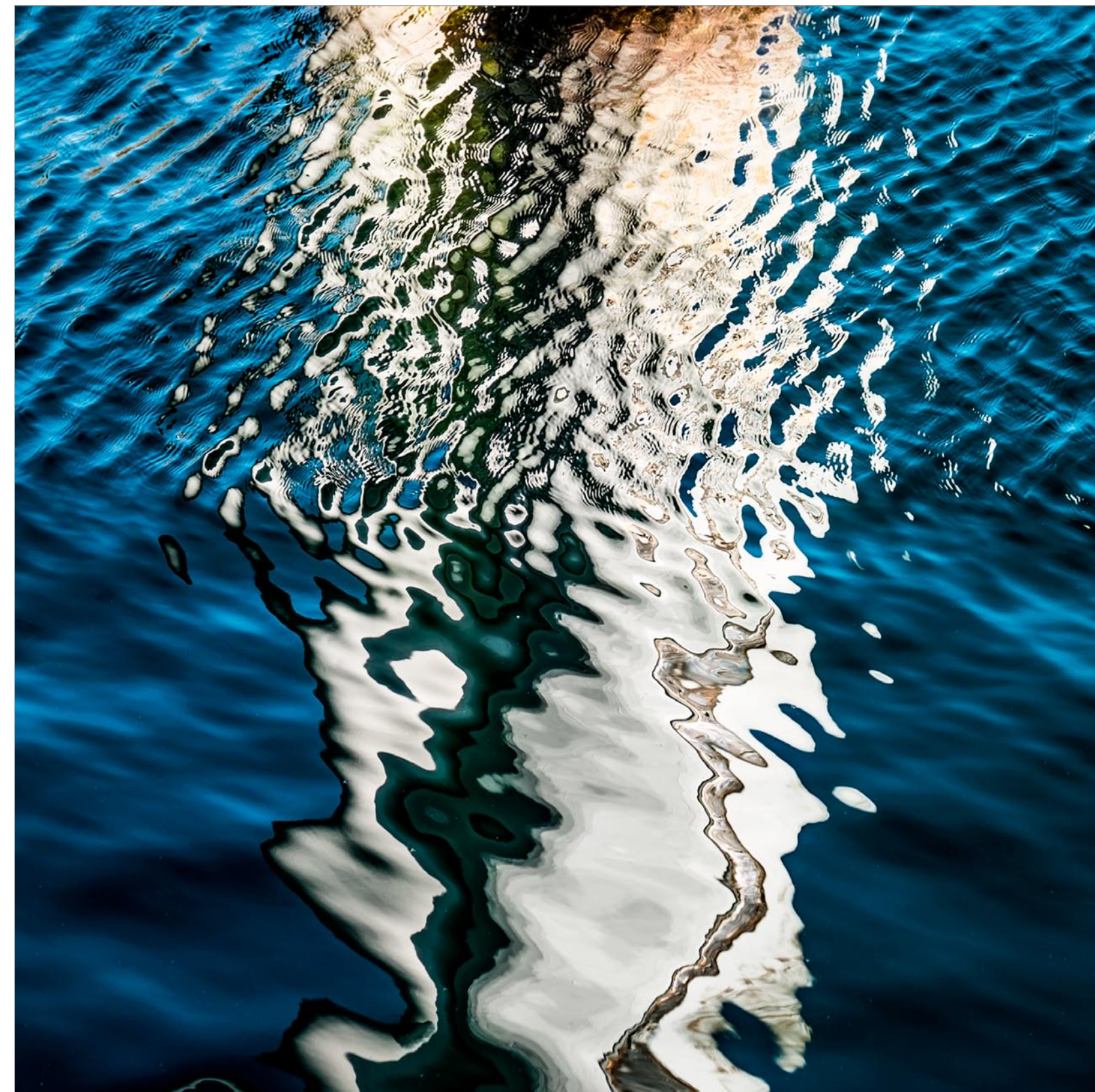
Thought that I could get along



*But here in this water
My feet won't touch the ground*



I need something to turn myself around



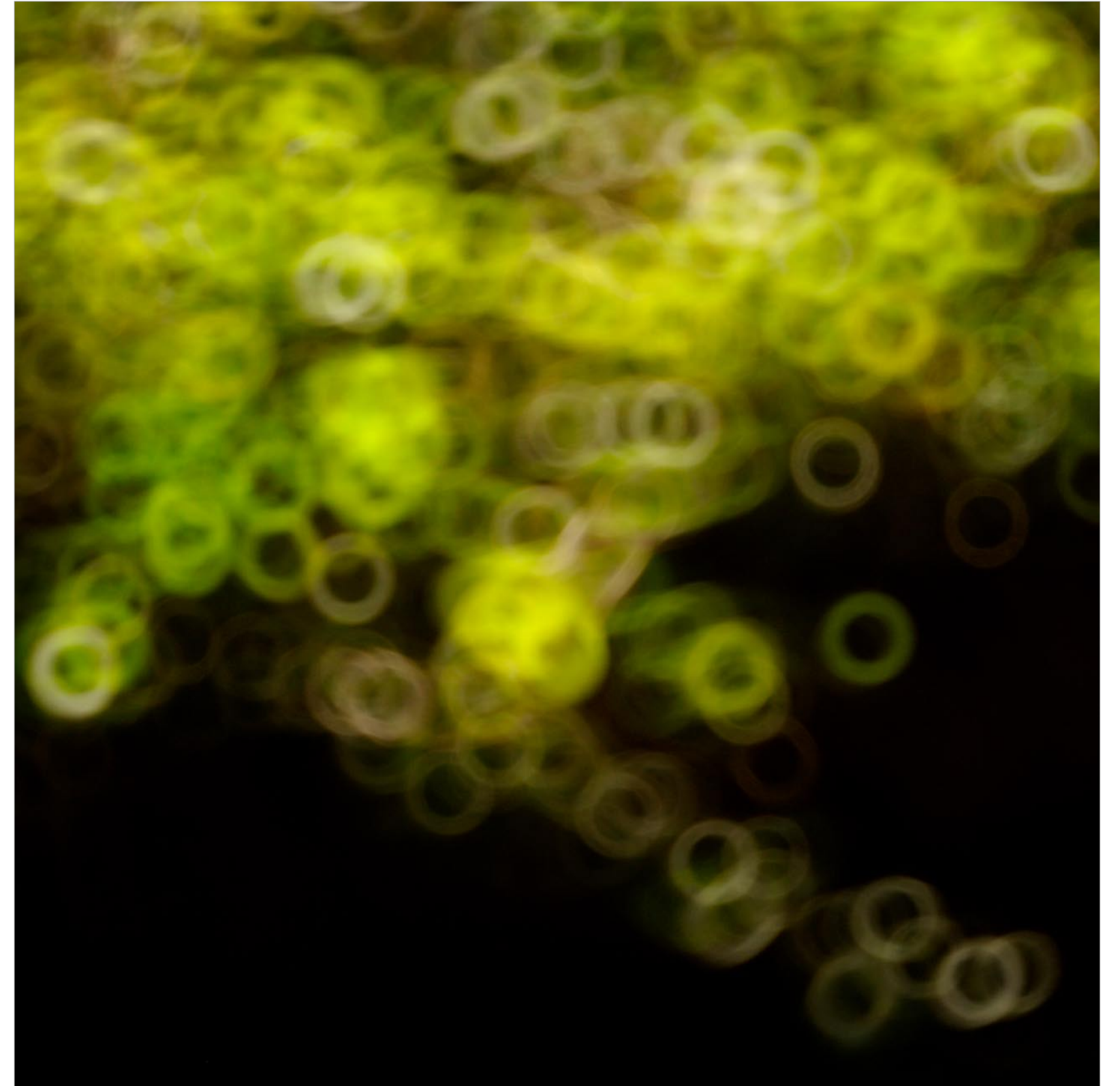
Going away, away toward the sea



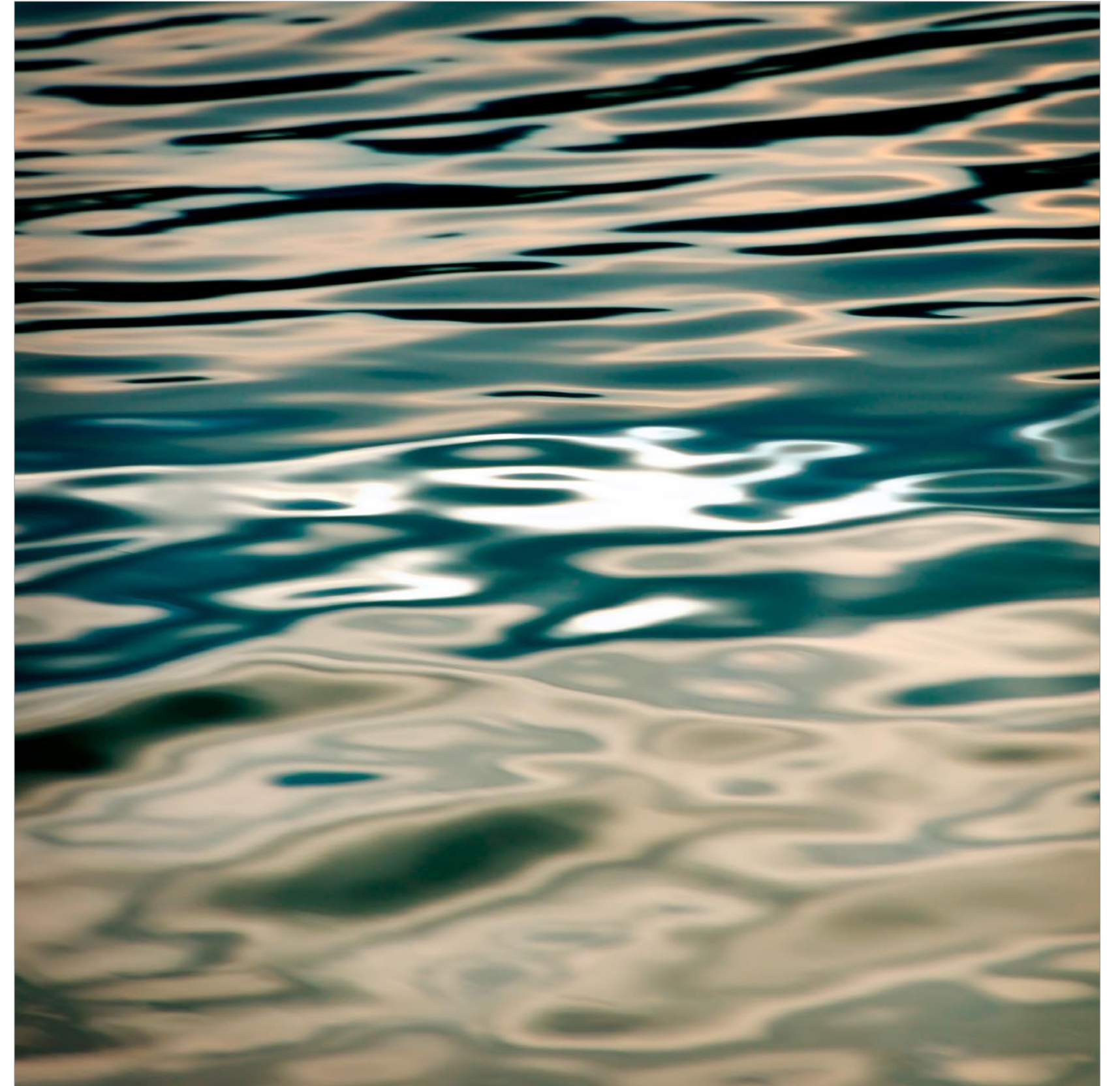
*River deep
Can you lift up and carry me*



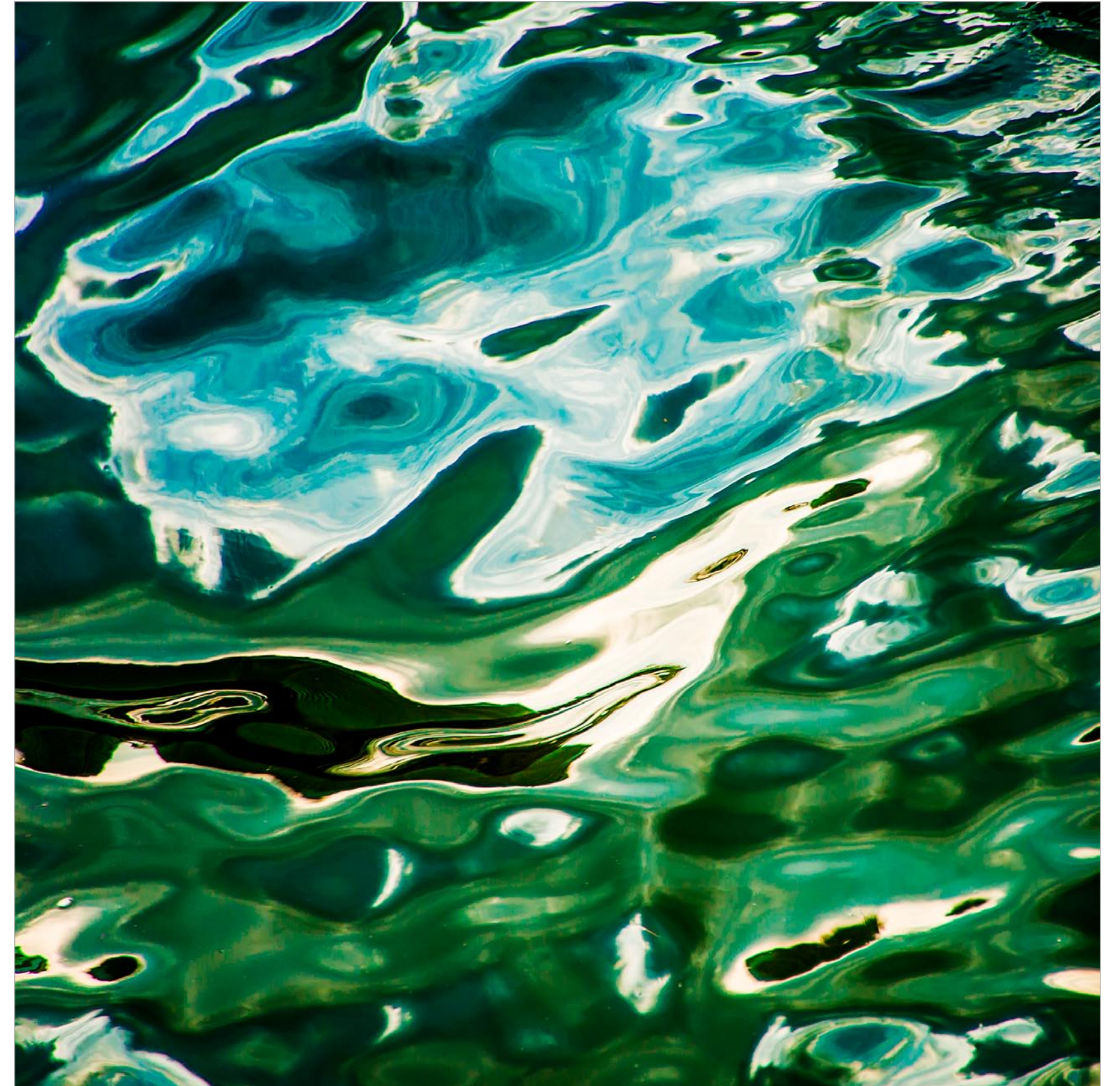
Roll on, roll on through the heartland



Till the sun has left the sky



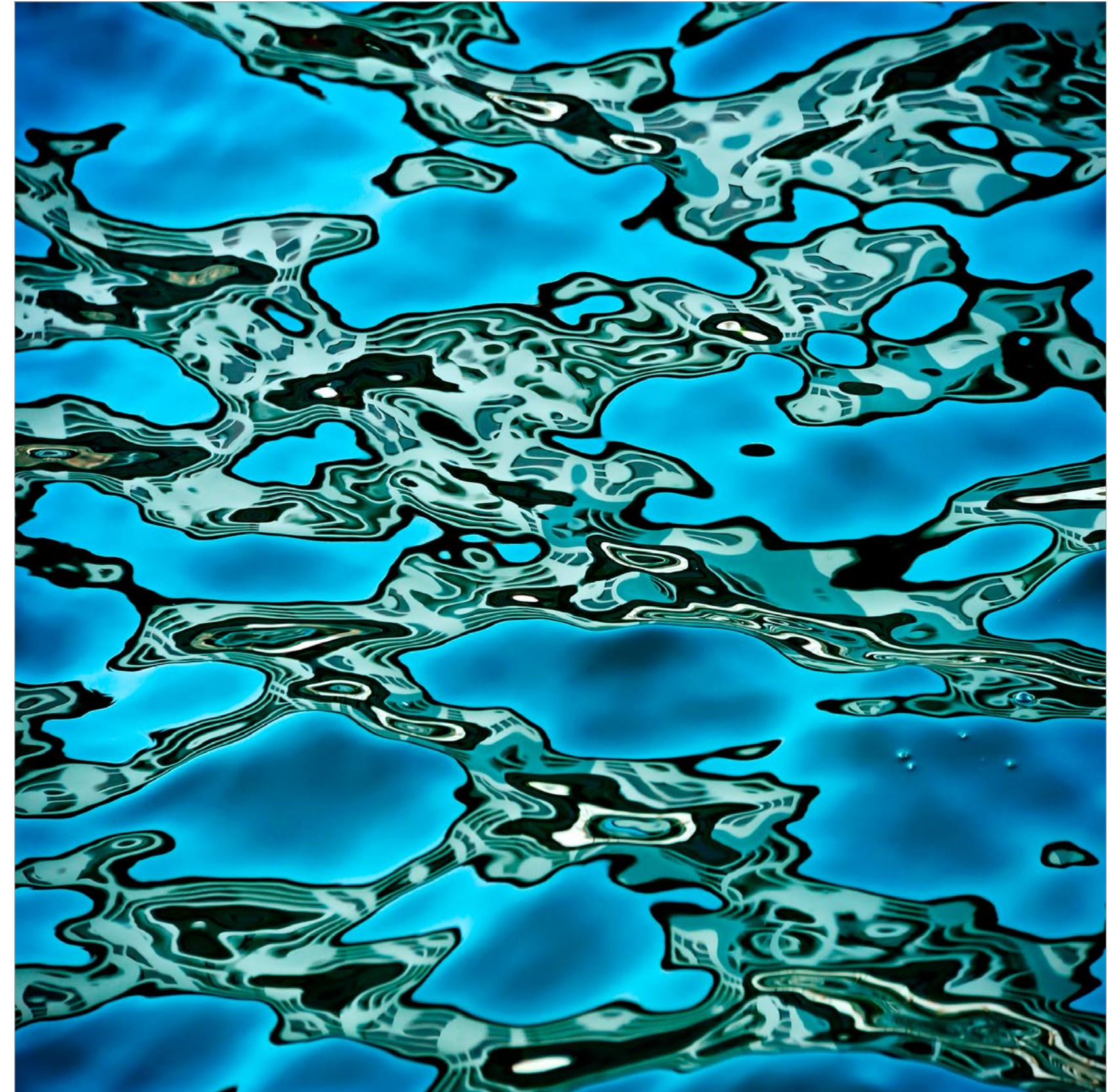
*River, river carry me high
Till the washing of the water make it all alright*



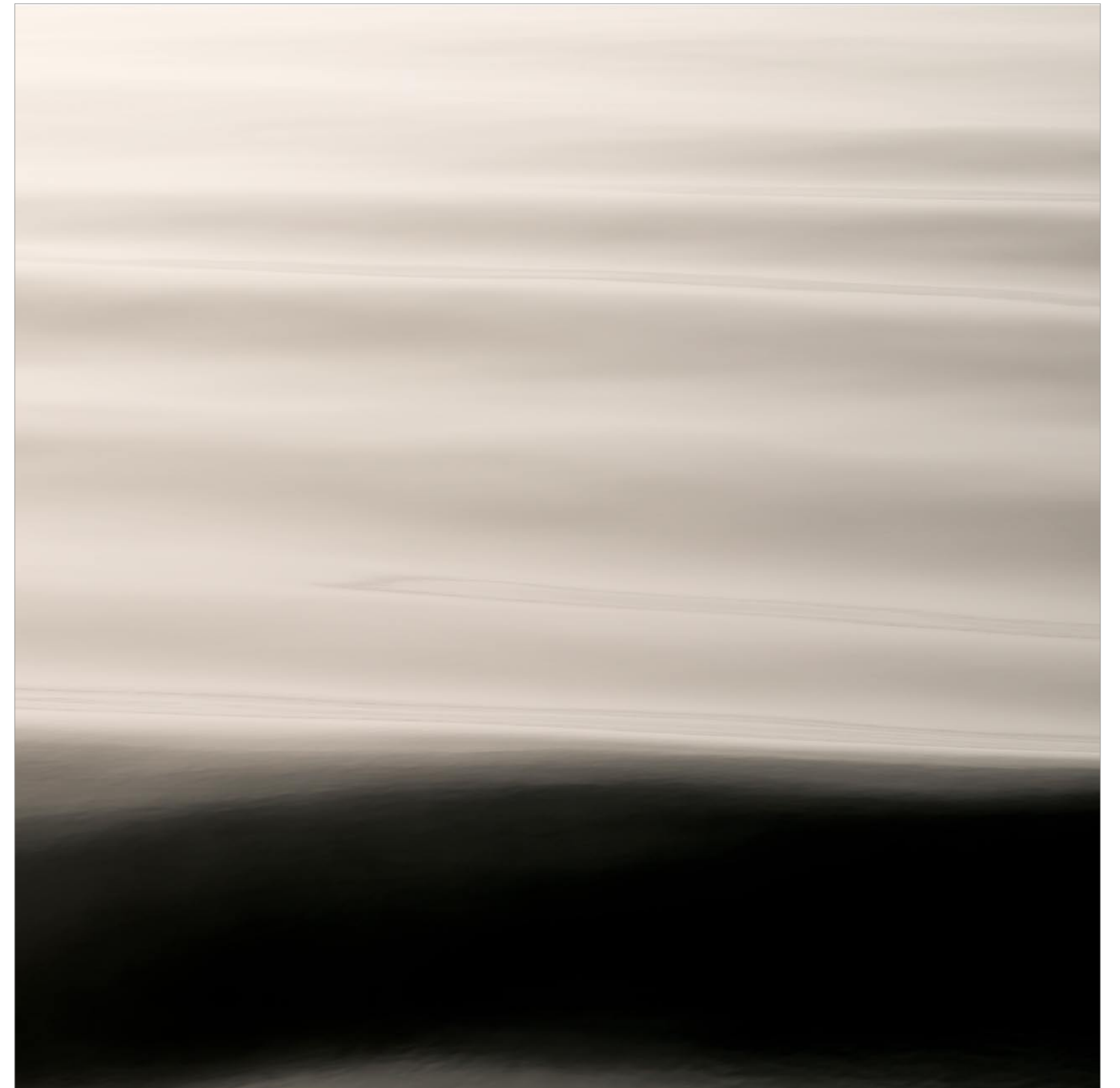
*Let your waters reach me
Like she reached me tonight*



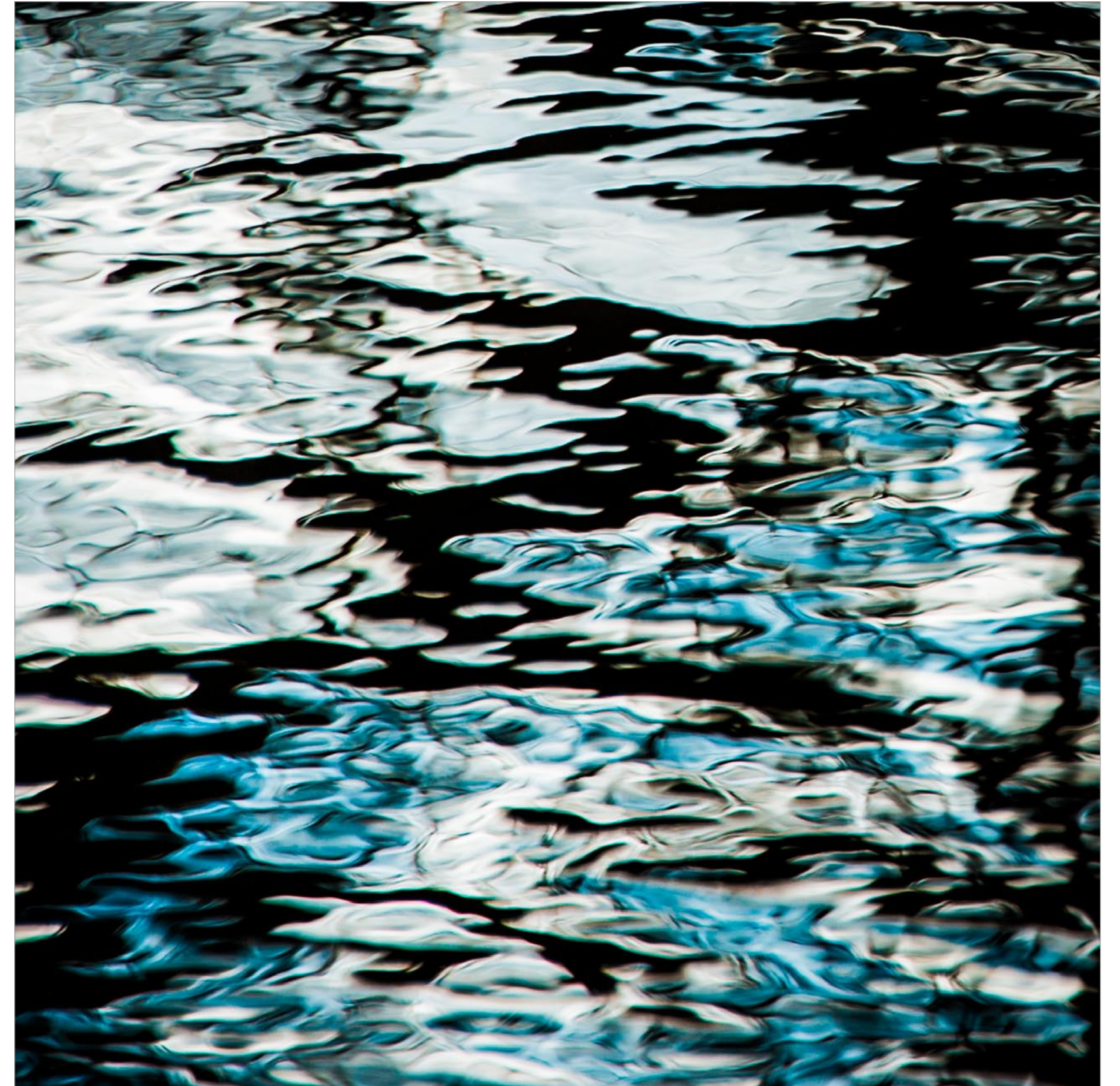
*Letting go, it's so hard
The way it's hurting now
To get this love untied
So tough to stay with this thing
'Cause if I follow through
I face what I denied
I get those hooks out of me
And I take out the hooks
That I sunk deep in your side
Kill that fear of emptiness
Loneliness I hide*



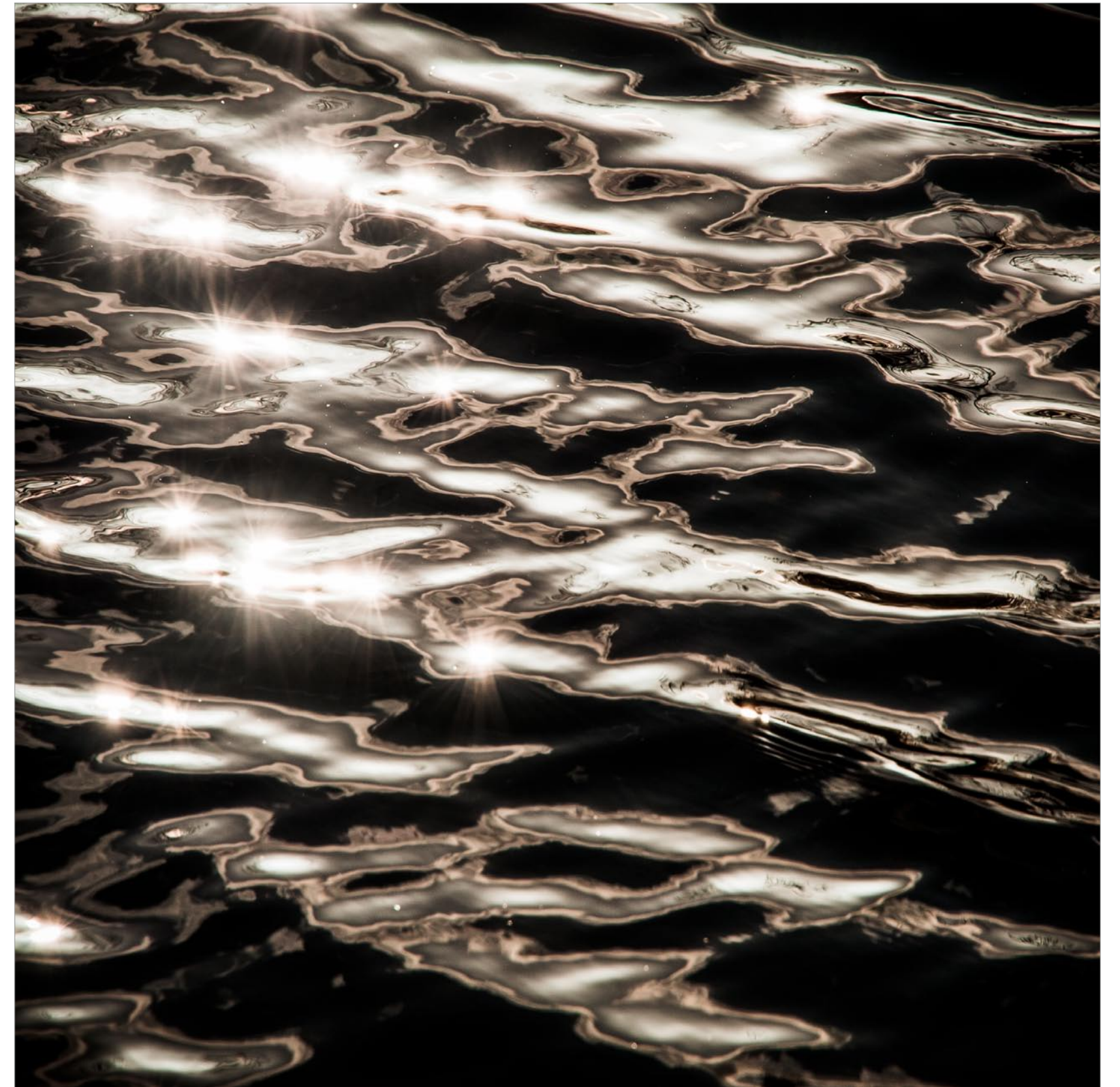
*River, oh river, river running deep
Bring me something that will let me get to sleep*



*In the washing of the water
Will you take it all away*



Bring me something to take this pain away



Washing of the Water

from Peter Gabriel's album US, released 27 September 1992



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