PURPLE GLOXINIA

Based on a painting by Frances Cohen Gillespie

blossoms leaves

mirror table hang

in a blue space

all the blossoms are open
flaming velvety
reflected in a mirror
veined leaves inhale
almost reaching into
the tablecloth’s world

the dragon imprinted on the tablecloth
sends cranes flying
in all directions
across the indigo background
their necks

turned back
to see if he is following them