

Fontanel

As she puts the baby down
on the cold white paper,
I smile (who wouldn't?)
and first thing
check the fuzzy fontanel,
that very slightly sunken soft
but tough
diamond on the very tip-top
of this top-heavy little person.
Sometimes
there's even a pulse
connecting their heart to mine
but either way,
I'm reminded
of the promise
this little fountain brings,
a downy skin-covered window
with a view of tomorrow.