## **Follow The Heron Home**

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The back of the winter is broken, And light lingers long by the door. And the seeds of the summer have spoken In gowans that bloom on the shore

By night and day we'll sport and we'll play And delight as the dawn dances over the bay Sleep blows the breath of the morning away And we follow the heron home

In darkness we cradled our sorrow
And stoked all our fires with fear
Now these bones that lie empty and hollow
Are ready for gladness to cheer

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Long may we sing of the salmon And the snow-scented sounds of your home While the north wind delivers its sermon Of ice, and salt water, and stone

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