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"Watercolors"

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I found a picture perfect pigment on the palette for
once
And if I spilled it on the sky, it could challenge the
challenge the sun
I'm gathering umbrellas just to salvage it from
The doubt on your tongue and any rain clouds if they
come
Because you got watercolors underneath your eyelids
Painted on the oleander canvas of your iris
And it's a shame they get diluted and dim
Every time a little rain comes through with the wind
We've been separated by the longitude
And we'll be woven back together when the needle in
the compass moves
I can't promise you the moon
But I could guarantee a garden if you'd let the
sunshine soon
So sugar show me the symmetry hidden beneath your
breastbone
Break a piece that I can carry with me when you've left
home
And if the weather ever finger paints your day black
I'll light another match so you can navigate your way
back

Because I've met a lot of those that put the "lie" in "I
believe in you"
But I believe you do, I believe you do

Misunderstood
Lost the footing and I fell hard
That's when the fireflies died in the bell jar
I used to pray that they would be awake in June
When that origami sunset folds to a paper moon
The skyline blushes when it breaks dawn
The highway stretches and the interstate yawns but
I never sleep when the give and take's gone
When it's freezing in the place that we used to wake on
I was too ambitious and too damn timid
And too thrilled when the glass was half filled to
wonder what was in it

But you're a cynic when the magic still exists
Till you stifle all the winds that send the daffodils adrift
And that's the reason that the kite fell flat, love
And if you wanted it might sail right back up
Just hold the tether tight when the black wind blows
And promise me that you'll chase it if you let the string
go

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