

## The Brilliant Green

### "Light My Candle"

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ROGER:

What'd you forget?

MIMI:

Got a light?

ROGER:

I know you, you're... you're shivering

MIMI:

It's nothing, they turned off my heat

And I'm just a little weak on my feet,

Would you light my candle?

What are you staring at?

ROGER:

Nothing, your hair in the moonlight

You look familiar...

Can you make it?

MIMI:

Just haven't eaten much today

At least the room stopped spinning anyway

What?

ROGER:

Nothing, your smile reminded me of--

MIMI:

I always remind people of...who is she?

ROGER:

She died. Her name was April

MIMI:

It's out again

Sorry 'bout your friend

Would you light my candle?

ROGER:

Well-

MIMI:

Yeah. Ow!

ROGER:

Oh, the wax, it's--

MIMI:

Dripping! I like it between my --

ROGER:

Fingers! I figured.

Oh, well. Goodnight.

(Mimi exits; then knocks again)

It blew out again?

MIMI:

No! I think that I dropped my stash

ROGER:

I know I've seen you out and about

When I used to go out

Your candle's out

MIMI:

I'm illin', I had it when I walked through the door

It was pure!

Is it on the floor?

ROGER:

The floor?

MIMI:

They say that I have the best ass

Below 14th Street

Is it true?

ROGER:

What?

MIMI:

You're staring again

ROGER:

Oh no...

I mean you do...have a nice...

I mean...you look familiar

MIMI:

Like your dead girlfriend?

ROGER:

Only when you smile

But I'm sure I've seen you somewhere else

MIMI:

Do you go to the Cat Scratch Club?

That's where I work, I dance.

Help me look!

ROGER:

Yes!

They used to tie you up...

MIMI:

It's a living...

ROGER:

I didn't recognize you without the handcuffs

MIMI:

We could light the candle

Oh won't you light the candle

ROGER:

Why don't you forget that stuff?

You look like you're sixteen

MIMI:

I'm nineteen! But I'm old for my age

I'm just born to be bad

ROGER:

I once was born to be bad  
I used to shiver like that  
MIMI:  
I have no heat, I told you--  
ROGER  
I used to sweat  
MIMI:  
I got a cold...  
ROGER:  
Uh huh, I used to be a junkie  
MIMI:  
But now and then I like to--  
ROGER:  
Uh huh  
MIMI:  
Feel good  
ROGER:  
Here it...um...  
MIMI:  
What's that?  
ROGER:  
It's a candy bar wrapper...  
MIMI:  
We could light the candle  
Oh what'd you do with my candle?  
ROGER:  
That was my last match  
MIMI:  
Our eyes will adjust.  
Thank God for the Moon  
ROGER:  
Maybe it's not the moon at all  
I hear Spike Lee's shooting down the street  
MIMI:  
Bah humbug ... bah humbug  
ROGER:  
Cold hands  
MIMI:  
Yours too.  
Big. Like my father's  
You wanna dance?  
ROGER:  
With you?  
MIMI:  
No - with my father  
ROGER:  
I'm Roger  
MIMI  
They call me  
They call me Mimi

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