

Jim Carroll Band

"Lorraine"

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I was underneath the staircase
I was talking with my angel
He said that beauty is only terror
You know, when terror is just beginning
I thought I heard some footsteps
Lorraine, she was coming
But she's been feelin' real sick lately
She been kickin' down her habit
So I went around to see her
I had the angel in my pocket
She had jewels between her fingers
And there was blood across Lou's carpet
But I know that she's feelin' better . . .
I saw her walking to the Market
She went down
The sharp black hole
She wants to die just to save her soul . . .
But she wants to live
She wants to start her band
She swears the stage is God's left hand
So I'm sitting in the cellar

Beneath my dark apartment
I had the angel on my shoulder
You know, his wings were kinda shattered
He plays with broken mirrors
And he said that he just saw Sally
And that Sally was with Lorraine
And they were playing in the alley
So I went around to see them
Ahhh . . . they were doing it together
And there was a little blood across the concrete . . .
I know they were feeling better . . .
They got straight
They understand
They wanted to die but now they got plans
They want to live; they want to start their band
They swear the stage is God's left hand
I'm waiting in the lobby
The angel dropped the mirror
But he still insists that beauty . . .
That beauty is just one part of terror
There's a painting on the ceiling
Of a dog . . . he had eyes like rubies,
And then the angel just remembered
That Lorraine was at the movies
I found her in the back aisle

There was blood across the next seat
When she reached out to touch me
I thought that that that was so sweet
So I stuck her with my finger
It was like a knife through leather
She had a song along her eyelid
I KNOW she was feeling better
She got straight
She understand
She wanted to die but now she got plans
She want to live
She want to start her band
She swear the stage is God's left hand . . .

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