

## Neneh Cherry

### "Survival Beyond Death"

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Travelled beyond death  
The body of the beautiful teen

Lay rotten on stone slabs  
Grey hair covering her skull of sorrow  
Cold sockets gathering worms  
Many times unburied  
The size of her waist, so narrow  
You will be like this forever

A kiss upon your brow  
No more sex without love  
They do love you now  
Even though your body is pale and wan

Light revealing the dead skin tone  
Let her crotch alone  
Green skin fluttering violently in the wind  
In a barren, cold, unforgiving nest  
Let her decay alone

After the tortures in the gardens  
After the agony in stony places  
The shouting and the crying  
Now restless corpses trapped in the cave tombs  
A Lazarus taxon by the name of Orang Pendek  
Roaming the land-rooms of doom

To make mothers mourn  
Whispering  
The words children say before they die  
Low incipient notes murmured with a rich sound  
Voices that make mothers mourn  
Mumble low  
In the gusts of wind

Long rotten  
Grave forgotten

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For that I can feel  
That beyond her grave she waits for me

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