

Neutral Milk Hotel "Sinking Ship"

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Sinking ship-
How long can you hold still?
Your illness spills against my face
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How long can you hold still?
Oh, can't you feel the coming waves?
A perfect Sunday portrait of my mother painting horses
all alone
Of lovers and of leaves still believing they are free to
come and go
Sinking ship-
How long can you hold still?
Your illness is all that you are
A portrait of my father as a baby sleeping underneath
the stars
A small pill of forgiveness I am giving to myself
It's what I need
A small gift of fulfillment I am hoping you will open and
receive
Sinking ship-
How long can you hold still?
Your illness fills this empty room
A portrait of your lover softly drowning in the water
A perfect Sunday portrait of my mother sending
signals through the drum
A portrait of my sadness finding shelter in the safety of
my home

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