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WATERDOWNSTONE

We compare our scars and talk for hours

You sit, I spin Love looks through love

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Our dream will not sleep

Feeling jogs us awake

I hold you my heart and sing

a fool song to renew the day

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You want your plan to work

your luck to change a miracle to come I open my heart right or wrong and sing this song

GREEN FEELING

The rain comes down on our sunny days.

We grow old, and all we know

is memory.

Like a dumb snail we listen to the sky.

Our passions break through to

the warmth and the breathing

of a fresh, green feeling.

AFTERNOON FEELING

An afternoon feeling brought into the light the instant I looked into your eyes.

A need to continue, minute overlapping minute, no logic to it—
to focus an obscure desire.

DANDELION WISHES

You laugh with the thunder circling the moon

You see backlit cows hanging upside down in the sky

You ride the wind making dandelion wishes

You try to flee but return, sealed in a green cell layer

ALWAYS

/all ways young All ways high

Maid of earth made of sky

You with starlight eyes I with voodoo ways

I do what I do to be with you

FOURWINDS

At the fourwinds
we enter the bourn
that true friendship is
The table tilts—
we orbit the sun and moon
body, voice and mind
bright, blesséd, kind

But this is bubblegum
you complain,
where are the dirty feet
the fish floating belly up?
The table tilts—
no killing the monkey in the hall
or the worm in the rotten wall

Now mild and restrained now wild and unreined we talk, and our words make light

SO

Even we, even so

The candle burns the candle burns