

# Bubblegum

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Dug your shoulder into mine  
To see if I was there  
Constellated candles trapped a ghost in  
Union Square  
A sea of street novenas  
We had names for every one  
That one's Gabriel  
That one's Bubblegum  
There's Another One  
We were children  
Handed fire  
We were someone's only friend  
So protected  
We conspired  
To never be alone again  
A basement floor in Annadale  
A Lincoln Center dorm  
My future spoke in fits & starts  
And never sounded sure  
'Til it announced itself in Sunset Park  
On 33rd & 4th  
I was scared  
In my head:  
"You're not ready yet"  
We were children  
Handed fire  
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We conspired  
To never be alone again  
But you waited, knowing better  
You just let me spin  
From the ashes to the altar  
To your door again  
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