

Harmless

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A phased golden light
Rained down from the street light
It fell across your shoulder
Paused just above your collar
Like it had something to show me
As if I wasn't already noticing
Your eyes a shade of wonder
Like if thunder had a color

It could have been harmless
Wanting to see
If I could get a little closer
And walk away breathing
It might've been cheating
Where exactly is the line?
Too early to admit it
I wanted you for mine

I kissed Maria in the alley
You laughed and spilled your whiskey
There's some I can't remember
A talented bartender
And way out in the cheap seats
The stars stared unblinking

The ones that know anything
Won't be revealing

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There was a sword in my drink
Everything's a sign, if you want it to be
And you want it to be

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