Pretender

July Talk

You walk in like Birkin, monologue 'em into the light
A preacher in a playhouse somewhere 'round the corner outside
I heard you're no first-time offender
You're no pretender

You got the room in your hand, they never fully understand
All the power you found driftin' through the window outside
No allegiance to legal tender

You don't keep it on the inside
No shadows in your mind
You seem to drift across that line through the ceiling
You don't try to define it, simplify and confine it
You're unphased
Unaffected, unafraid of what you do not know

An altar for energy, we come close to witness it
In order to love her, there's a target above her
I lean in real close as an informer
What if you're just a performer?

You hear a whisper, but the bodies follow closely now
You just smile, ask me to take a seat on the stairs
Not the night for another bender
Cannot stray from the center

You could never be broken in the morning light
But as you leave, I start to see

I see what it's cost you, I miss the imposter
Pretender, pretender, I start to think that I've lost you
I'm ashamed that I thought I could define you
Simplify and confine you
I know, I know, darling, I know it's a shame
We're all afraid of what we do not know

Scattered debris and you were spinning uncensored
An elegance I remember
Don't you keep it on the inside
Unphased, unafraid
You've been here before

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