

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"
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But you waited, knowing better
You just let me spin
From the ashes to the altar
To your door again
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