

## The Anhedonia Epidemic

Light This City

When her body gave into that sickness again  
(She always knew it would),  
She didn't want to say a thing for fear  
That if he knew, he'd never risk  
Getting even this close to her. Fever  
Has made her shameless. She's desperate to infect,  
And she'd kill to hear him moan with misery,  
Burning sweet, keeping her suffering company with his,  
Bowels twisted from that seductive disease.  
Some shit spreads with a secret contagion,  
And you'll either be fascinated or repulsed  
By the velocity of defeat.

Tell me, doctor, are you giving up?  
Yes, I know it's completely fucked.  
Show me a credible witness  
To the existence of a functional love...  
Or even just a functional fuck.  
Doctor, are you giving up on me?  
Don't you see it's each other we need?  
You're the sadist and it seems I just might be

A masochist, neither one of us satisfied  
Until I'm writhing. And I overheard them say,  
"Our guinea pigs are in for it;  
We're straining day and night to find the origin  
Of this mutant strain,  
Once microscopic, now epidemic,  
Which crawled it's way into her brain."  
She didn't ask for it, but she's passing it  
To everybody she meets.  
And it might not be the most pleasurable thing,  
But the sensation can be so addicting.

He won't surrender. His system guards against  
The potential agony. But he will never realize that,  
Consequently, he's missing out on the ecstasy.  
He won't surrender. His system protects him against me.

Well, it wasn't caused by amphetamines,  
But his dopamine levels are unquestionably depleting,  
And my favorite hypochondriac is starting to display  
Symptoms of hysterical paralysis.  
All the doctors can say is, "There's nothing physically amiss."  
Isn't it ironic? I'm the sadist,  
But now it seems he just might be immune to what I inflict.