

# Magic

Rufus Wainwright

You didn't know me when I was young  
I was a happy kid  
I wouldn't say I was beautiful  
I tried to be  
That was my hope I guess  
Must have been all those movies in that romantic period

Ya gotta make magic  
Magic out of tragic  
We are the sunshine that defines the moon  
It takes a long time for the stars to get here  
Don't want to miss it  
In your dressing room

Ya gotta make lightning  
Lighting out of thunder  
Without plundering your god given gifts  
If you wanna make magic  
Magic out of tragic  
I've a hankering, hankering to do this

So when they tell you  
Tell you that you're able  
Yeah when they tell you  
Tell you that you can  
Still ya gotta make magic  
Or you shouldn't even be here  
Wasting the precious  
Precious time at hand

Ya gotta make roses  
Roses out of bushes  
Keeping the thorns  
To then protect yourself  
But at the same time  
Act as if it's nothing  
As you obliterate everybody else

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Tell you that you can  
Still ya gotta make magic  
Or you might as well be somewhere else  
Folding up napkins or stacking up shelves

What is this feeling that is haunting me at all times?  
And takes control when the light hits my face  
I don't know why I have to conquer all of mankind  
Is it to make the world a better place?  
Or am I simply cast under a spell?  
The harvest moon, the misty valley's wishing well  
My mother warned me about Broadway's light  
But now I'm here and I have never ever felt so right!

Oh ya gotta do it!  
Yeah, ya gotta do it!

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