When the Laughter Stops

Yard Act

I got the call for the audition
It was the chance of a lifetime
It said, "If all requirements of this role come to fruition
You'll never work another day in your life"
So, I let my hair grow wrong, don't shave my face
I got some brand new boots and gained a bit of weight
But when I finally got the script in for the role which I was hoping
It said I'd play the victim shot dead in the cold open

Time's up, don't be scared
The future got a room without a view in your own head
Head down, no comment
It's just a matter of opinion

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The stories that you're juggling
The fear you must be funnelling
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So, let them replicate my past success
With casting from the same subset of men
Whose fleeting failures are all they ever knew
With a straight face beyond repair digging a grave of nil despair
Between the crosshairs of a crop that never grew

We pay no respect to common intellect
And watch the insects suck the marrow from the bone
For when we go back to our proper jobs and realise the laughter's stopped
I need to know my chance was fully blown

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