

cross•roads



by jude holtane

UNAGI

The night redeems an open mind
Face down on the poisoned ground
And buried out of sight
I'm afraid we've lost the fight
No one knows we've lost the fight

And still, I turn it inside out
Let it go so it can sleep
And still, I turn it inside out
Let me know so I can sleep

Faded lifeline searching away
In the thick blue haze
Dodging eyes clear cut like arrows
Lethal with one shot

And still, I turn it inside out
Let it go so it can sleep
And still I turn it inside out
Let me know so I can sleep

Thorns inside the cast-iron trap
Draining all the energy
Fly below when they beseech
You don't owe anything to me

And still I turn it inside out
Let it go so it can sleep
And still I turn it inside out
Let me know so I can sleep

THE TRUE

Plastic words
pray you got something to say.
Everybody wants it another way

Pool of ink spilling out from your hands
Shakedown their shame and mess up their plans
Now they're looking hard for ways to please you

Get people going they got nothing to do
Get people going they got nothing to do

Step forward in time they handle the reins
Shapeshifter always shifting the blame

Now they're looking hard for ways to please you

Get people going they got nothing to do
Get people going they got nothing to do
Get people going they got nothing to do
Yeah nothing to do
Get people going they got nothing to do
nothing to do

RUSTED PERFECTION

The attention could never be spared
Captive's van burned and rejected
A barren excuse could bring it all back
The dust-filled skies comfort the scrapyard

Selling your car in its rusted perfection
Never belonged to where you are now

The sun's going down lighting minds on fire
Emergency rooms wake up for tomorrow

Selling your car in its rusted perfection
Never belonged to where you are now
Selling your car in its rusted perfection
Never belonged to where you are now

Just where you are now
Just where you are now
Just where you are now
Just where you are now

ANHEDONIA

There's nowhere safe left to go
Now parasites are eating away at the soul
It's all just in your mind

(It's all in your mind)
Anhedonia
(It's all in your mind)
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(It's all in your mind)
Anhedonia

Drop anchor on an empty moon
Endless TV static isolation
Nothing to salvage from where
there's nothing to cure

(It's all in your mind)
Anhedonia
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11:59

Stay up all night
Blindness is sight
Ask the old windmill blades
Feel bad for seeing happy people
in a trance

The golden delusions
left us out in the rain
Dig the hole to the velvety strain
Trade their two cents in for a live grenade

Pots and pans stacked up again
You can still pretend
Warships are sinking in the flood
Pull the plug and paint the picture
waiting in your head

The golden delusions
left us out in the rain
Dig the hole to the velvety strain
trade their two cents in for a live grenade

They don't know you wanna behave
and find a feeling that's sublime
at 11:59

THE DEEP

Might it all come untethered by tomorrow
Secure the lifeless lines
What's it like when you're under
Welcome to the deep

Welcome to the Deep
Welcome to the Deep

Dead man lying still at ease
Dragged out from where he rests his head
Won the pressure's weight in gold
And escaped into a dream
And now I'm sinking like you've been

Welcome to the Deep
Welcome to the Deep
Welcome to the Deep
Welcome to the Deep

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WATCHFUL EYES

My signal is waning
So you take control
Sit back and recline
the shoes are mine to shine

Dripping with price tags
Paying too much to care
Like a broken record
Asking why they should try

So suffer inside
And abide by the watchful eyes
As they get to you
get you to fall into line

As they get to you
get you to fall into line
No flame of desire
Makes you feel complete
All the good intentions
Only bring you down again

So suffer inside
And abide by the watchful eyes
As they get to you
get you to fall into line
As they get to you
get you to fall into line

BITTERSWEET

Bittersweet are my days
dried out in the sun
A leech resides inside
and mangles every thought
Bittersweet when you choose
the lonely road
Every path I take
is taking me straight down

All day and every night
All day and every night
All day and every night
All day and every night

End the perfect day
Watch it all fade away
Out of sight and out of mind

End the perfect day
Watch it all fade away
Out of sight and out of mind

Obsolete so count the ways
you've been outdone
Replace the nightcap
with a cup of paraquat
Try making sense
of what you can't comprehend
All I ever find is that
it's restless 'til the end

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All day and every night

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Out of sight and out of mind

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HELL'S HOBO

Wrap the rags around
your skin and bones
lit a cigarette
your favorite hat is the only one you own
Desperately wishing
for this golden age to come

Dead leaves celebrate your lost cause
And the bottle in the evening time
decides your worth
Dead leaves celebrate your lost cause
And the burned-out eyes
could never turn away

The shards of glass
decorate the crime scene
Throwing pieces at the roaches
creeping in
They can't touch you when you
break through to the stratosphere

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STATISTICS

Oh where where you when every day
Was cursed to look the same
A ball and chain draws along with the many
Many debts left to pay
Zero attention given to a caterpillar
on a leaf
Watching on as it goes nowhere
nowhere at its best

There's nothing more that one can do
No longer can I stay it's true
No longer can I stay it's true

Everything must come and go
We don't fit in with their good old times
Taking down a friend
for the chance that it could bring
Oh they don't mind they never had before

There's nothing more that one can do
No longer can I stay it's true
No longer can I stay it's true
it's true
it's true

Oh where where you when every day
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SAILBOATS

You know much more than you show
Liberated your mind
all on your own Living alone
You've been all throughout hell
No one ever could tell
You never could tell

Small price to pay for a soul
Tensions are gone just drifting on
All you see is the day you gave it away

Down the dark hole that we all know
See the light leave right through your eyes
Waiting until the memory's lost
Forget it all in due time

Crying out to all the wisdom you spell
The misgivings you rue
Form the belief that trusts
there's somewhere to go
There's somewhere left to go
Looking far ahead all you can't see
Is more divine than our time

Small price to pay for a soul
Tensions are gone just drifting on
All you see is the day you gave it away
Down the dark hole that we all know
See the light leave right through your eyes
Waiting until the memory's lost
Forget it all in due time

All in due time
All in due time
All in due time
All in due time
All in due time
All in due time

TAKE ME TO THE LAND

Bring your counterfeit guarantees
And pass the disease to me
Love it if you can
Try to see it through to the end

Take me to the land beyond
Take me to the land beyond
Take me to the land beyond

Carrying out the careless plan
Something's left out again
Beat down old demands
I'm thinking of a place for tomorrow

Take me to the land beyond
Take me to the land beyond

Selling out a soul
Killing off the two percent
Leave the rest behind
Don't keep looking out for a sign

Take me to the land beyond
Take me to the land beyond
Take me to the land beyond
Take me to the land beyond

