Back Door Slam

Robert Cray

I was born in the back seat

Of a travellin' hurricane

I came up in the back streets

The city with no nameI was raised on trouble

Rock when I should roll

I never could control it

And I can't be controlled I am what I am

I am the back door slamWhen I walk down the streets

The streetlights go out

When I drive through your town

The dogs start to howlAnd I stand in the shadows

Sparks are in my hair

When I open up my mouth

My voice fills the airI am what I am

I am the back door slamPeople say

I'm charming

People say

I'm alarmingPeople can feel

The disturbance around me

I don't care

What they say they seeI'm the dust in your broom

100 proof ever clear

I'm the crack in your ceilin'

Thump you think you hearI'm a 3 a.m. phone call

Tank of gasoline

I'm a siren stoppin'

At the end of your streetI am what I am

I am the back door slamPeople say

Strange

People say

I'm dangerousPeople can feel

That a deal was struck

Save my soul

And make my own luckI was born in the city

A city with no shame

And when I play guitar

They all know my nameI am what I am

I am the back door slamI am what I am

I am the back door slam

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