

# Hold Back the Dawn

**Robbie Robertson**

The sun was going down over Echo Park  
Wet raven hair glowing in the dark  
And that's when the fever would riseAnd Lord, what a look in her eyes  
From the moment that she blows out the light  
We'd be lost in the forever nightHold back the dawn, hold back the dawn  
Won't you raise up your hand  
And hold back the dawn?I dreamt if I could lay you upon this bed of straw  
And we may break the rules, but we don't break the law  
Come across but the river's too wideI come across but the river's too high  
And over by the fountain where we meet  
I will lay silver roses at your feetHold back the dawn, hold back the dawn  
Won't you raise up your hand  
And hold back the dawn, come on?Now I have seen a painting, old and hanging in a frame  
And that painting was of you, now how can you explain  
From another place in time, done many years agoWhy I'm haunted by this vision, guess we'll never know  
And then she turned and whispered in my ear  
Can you feel my heartbeat?Hold back the dawn, hold back the dawn  
Won't you raise up your hand  
And hold back the dawn?Come on, let the light go on, let the light go on  
Won't you raise, won't you raise up?  
Won't you raise up your hand and hold back the dawn?Hold back the dawn, won't you raise up your hand  
And hold back the dawn?  
Let the night go on and on, and on[Incomprehensible]

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