The Lady Of The Night

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Oh, the moon hangs down like some old evening gown

Forgotten by some lovely southern maiden
Oh, the stars are her tears and the sky a skin of years
That she has most graciously givenNow, who am I to think that she might bat an eye
At my heart that lay so dangerously open
'Neath the sweet magnolia tree the world's a fragrant memory
And the lady of the night has finally spokenShe cries, oh, you are a leaf that the wind blows
And you drift from place to place and you never know
Well, is it here that I will stay? Child, you must be on your way
For you are now, but you know nothing of your sorrowSo I hover in the breath between the birthday and the death

And the hummingbird, he hovers o're the flower
Though the end is just a guest, from one moment to the next
I keep thinking there will be a final hourShe cries, oh, you are a leaf that the wind blows
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