Knuckle Down

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That's just my cowgirl alter-ego riding on her bar room bull
Dripping with the sweat of irony as the cowboys whoop and drool
Shooting glances at the mirror to see if her scar is showing

She is truly going nowhere tonightLecherous old lady wanna-be much too young and shy

Flailing her whole life just thinking she can teach herself to fly

Vehement romantic, frantic for forever right now

But forevers going nowhere tonightSick of goading her self-loathing, she thinks, I think I'd better leave

'Course whiskey makes me smarter and I'm happy as can be

But please excuse me, darlin'

It's not you, it's meAnd there's a dusty old dust storm on Mars, they say

So tonight you can't see it too clear

Still I stood in line to look through their telescope

Looked like a distant ship light as seen from a foggy pierAnd I know that I was warned

Still it was not what I hoped

Yes, I know that I was warned

Still it was not what I hopedWell, I think I'm done gunnin' to get closer to some imagined bliss

I gotta knuckle down, just be okay with this

I'm gonna knuckle down, just be okay with this

'Course that star struck girl is already someone I missAs I swear some stuff you just see better from further away

And I think I communicate best now, the less I say

And I can't dance if the band can't play

And the vibe is going nowhere tonight'Cause somewhere between Hollywood and it's pretty happiness

And an anguish so infinite, it's anybody's guess

Is a place where people are all teachers and this just one long class

And that ass will get you nowhere tonightAnd there's a dusty old dust storm on Mars they say

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