Festival '95

Looper

There are some days that catch the light
Days like diamondsI saw a girl amongst the pillars
As I was climbing up the stairs
But just when I saw her she hid behind one of the pillars
So I went to see if I could find herBut she kept walking around the pillar
At the same speed as I was walking
So that she stayed invisible
Then eventually she stopped and I caught up with her
And that was how the day beganThere are some days that catch the light
As if someone's put a magic spell on 'em
So that all of these kind of ordinary things
Seem like magic thingsWe went to this pub that was very dark inside
Me and the girl from amongst the pillars
And while she was telling me this story
About someone's belly-buttonThis looper-man came up and said to me
"Can I get to use the phone there
Unless of course you have a pigeon?"And then we tried to get in to see a play
Which didn't start until the next day
And after that we queued for a different one
Beside a sign which said it was sold outWe ended up at a street market, looking at curious bottles
Where a woman behind a hat-pin stall
Mistook us for a couple in love
Me and that girl from amongst the pillarsAnd we saw a man walking along the pavement
With the most incredible mustache in the whole world
And another man rode a penny farthing along the streetSome days are good
They're like an adventureWhen it got dark some people
Were putting on a show outside
And we stood outside the fence
Thinking about climbing over it
'Cause we couldn't afford to pay to get inBut just before the show began
The ticket collectors moved away from the gates
And we managed to sneak in for freeIt was a great show
There were skeletons and beggars on high stilts
And they set fire to a tower they'd built
While loud bells rang and sad cellos playedAnd then near the end, they tied candle-lanterns to balloons
And let them go up into the air
And I watched the lanterns instead of the show
'Til they disappeared, which took a long timeAnd two of the candles were still burning
When they went out of sight

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