

# Spanish Dancer

[Patti Scialfa](#)

Oh Mama  
There's this Spanish dancer  
Whose steps I follow  
When he comes near  
The red dress of temptation  
Over a long black slip of fear  
Will I fall beneath the shadow  
Of some broken cross  
My arms emptied  
And all my treasures lost  
Still like that Spanish dancer  
I throw my roses down for him  
Across these beds of darkness  
He opens his arms  
And gathers them inOh Mama  
The bridges were burning  
Over a river black and cold  
But I walked  
When love commanded me  
Up to the edges of his soul  
But I'm still frightened  
Of that dark divide  
Will I gain entrance  
Or be denied  
Still like that Spanish dancer  
I throw my roses down for him  
Across these beds of darkness  
He opens his arms  
And gathers them inOh Mama  
When you were a young girl  
Did you ever love a man so much  
As if he were some fantastic jewel  
That you should never be worthy of  
But all those illusions  
Strip and fall  
And he is just a man after all  
And just like that Spanish dancer  
I throw my roses down for him  
Across these beds of darkness

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