

# Vanessa's Father

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Vanessa's father, who liked to be alone  
Creating works of art  
Which he'd paint in a cottage made of stone  
One day I crept inside, and I was unaware  
Of what I was going to find  
Well, the pictures they opened up my mind  
I saw sculptures of young lovers intertwined  
And on their bodies he had signed his name  
And so I left that place  
With a different look upon my face  
Well, I was fifteen, he had a certain charm  
The way he smiled at me  
And the way that he'd gently touch my arm  
And somehow we would always be alone  
When it was time to take me home  
And so we'd speed through the countryside  
In his convertible we'd ride  
Vanessa's father was driving me home at night  
And I never said a word  
Oh, but somehow we just got here  
Her father was driving me home at night  
When I think back to then  
I would count the days till I could go there again  
Oh, no, oh, no, oh, no  
Another weekend, strange thoughts inside of me  
Is it Vanessa whom I am  
Really going there to see  
  
I'd smoke a cigarette, I thought so secretly  
But the door it gently opened  
And he stood there smiling down at me  
Then he pushed me backwards against the wall  
I looked up 'cos he's so tall  
And then he stared into my eyes  
And kissed me so hard, I cried  
Vanessa's father was sleeping with me at night  
And I never said a word  
Oh, but somehow we just got here  
Her father, was sleeping with me at night

When I think back to then  
I would count the days till I could see him again  
Oh, no, oh, no, oh, no  
The shaft of light would fall against my skin  
That would seem sensual to him  
But I am too young to use these qualities  
You bitch, I must be evil I must be tainted  
He breathed against the girl he's painted a thousand times  
I gave up and put out to him  
Now this is present time, look back on history  
Oh, and it seems so clear  
Everything has been planned out for me  
My husband smiles at me  
Sends love for me to see  
I can't regret my past  
'Cos Vanessa's father is married to me

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