The Diving Board

Elton John

Took a high dive arcing out wide

Into the crowd,

Out to the sound of their wild applause

But you've heard it before

And you've seen it all

From up there on the diving boardYou'd free fall into the ether

Above the people

Out on a limb fragile and adored

But who below knows that

You're still a mystery

Way up on the diving boardSink or swim

I can't recall

Who said that to me?

When I was sixteen

And full of the world and its noiseBut you beat the drum

You fell in love with it all

The planets alight

Those dizzy heights

And the view, from the diving boardTook the grand prize you and your eyes

Butterfly light

Escaping the reach

Of their fangs and their claws

Such a pale little thing

In your lily-white skin

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