## Ampersand

## **The Hat Madder**

I walk down my street at night The city lights are cold and violent I am comforted by the Approaching sound of trucks and sirens Even though the world's so bad These men rush out to help the dying And though I am no use to them I do my part by simply smiling The ghetto boys are catcalling me As I pull my keys from my pocket I wonder if this method Of courtship has ever been effective Has any girl in history said Sure, you seem so nice, let's get it on Still I always shock them When I answer, "Hi, my name's Amanda" And I'm not gonna live my life On one side of an ampersand Even if I went with you I'm not the girl you think I am And I'm not gonna match you 'Cause I'll lose my voice completely No, I'm not gonna watch you 'Cause I'm not the one that's crazy I have wasted years of my life Agonizing about the fires I started When I thought that to be strong You must be flame retardant And now to dress the wounds calls into question How authentic they are There is always someone criticizing me She just likes playing hospital Lying in my bed I remember what you said There's no such thing as accidents But you've got the headstone all ready All carved up and pretty Your sick satisfaction Those his and hers matching The daisies all push up'n

Pairs to the horizon Your eyes full of ketchup It's nice that you're trying The headstone's all ready All carved up and pretty Your sick satisfaction Those his and hers matching The daisies all push up'n Pairs to the horizon Your eyes full of ketchup It's nice that you're trying But I'm not gonna live my life On one side of an ampersand And even if I went with you I'm not the girl you think I am And I'm not gonna match you 'Cause I'll lose my voice completely No, I'm not gonna watch you 'Cause I'm not the one that's crazy, yeah As I wake up to a cough The fire burned the block but ironically Stopped at my apartment And my house mates are all sleeping soundly And nobody deserves to die For you were awful adamant That if I didn't love you Then you had just one alternative And I may be romantic I may risk my life for it But I ain't gonna die for you You know I ain't no Juliet I'm not gonna watch you While you burn yourself out, baby No, I'm not gonna stop you 'Cause I'm not the one that's crazy, yeah I'm not the one that's crazy, oh yeah I'm not the one that's crazy

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