

# Inside A Wall



Geoffrey Armes

## SWEET BREAKFAST

Driving east  
I go on and on and on  
Into the morning sun  
I saw her from the clouds  
Saw her kissed by that same sun  
Knew then I could stay  
Wouldn't run  
Dismantled her battlements  
Mounted her ramparts  
Slowly entered therein  
Paid the price  
Smiled at the border line  
Such a time  
The jokes and the laughter  
This helped me pass

Sweet breakfast, a lovers memory  
On a balcony  
Watching people  
In workaday finery  
In a new town my new home  
Early in the spring  
Feeling ready and not to roam  
I'll stay a while if I may  
Today, tomorrow, we'll see  
Torn and tattered  
Dreams scattered  
On the floor  
You'll close an opening door  
Nor for the first  
Or the last  
Time  
Unveil for me  
Time will  
Unveil for me  
A lovers memory

ORCHESTRATION: The West Hurley Orchestra  
LEAD GUITAR: Tom Desisto  
PERCUSSION: Alif Nacht

## UNFORTUNATE PARADISE

Hose down the streets  
Wash all the sheets  
I'm leaving this  
Most unfortunate paradise  
  
Straighten the pleats  
Time to blow away  
Some old obsessions  
Surrender some old possessions

Clean off my feet  
Make sure the room is neat  
I'm leaving this encroached paradise

I've lived inside a wall  
Time to let it fall  
I'm leaving this regrettable paradise

EBOW: Aaron Meacham

## BELIEVE ME

Talking, though I'm feeling rather strange  
Seems I have to rearrange  
I have to make a change  
Walking, and I'm wondering what to say  
Thinking about today  
When you threw it all away  
And I'm staring down the street  
Watching all the feet

Believe me cause my life was there  
And I said shout  
Shout it out

Talking and I'm wondering what to say  
Walking and I'm wondering about the day  
How I let you get away  
How I didn't make you pay

Believe me - my life was there  
I shout

LEAD GUITAR: Todd Evans  
PROGRAMMING: Myra Armes

## THINGS ARE STRANGE

Things are strange here in the city  
Why must they always seems so loud?  
Walking strong within the city  
Feeling lost within the crowd  
Things are strange

Yes the girls they all look pretty  
But I hear them think out loud  
Walking tall but feeling gritty  
Looking down from in a cloud  
Things are strange

Stealing out into the night  
This is how I plan my flight  
Watching others fight their fight  
I really care unless it's my plight

Things are strange  
Why must it always be so hard?

All the names that hit my pity  
Gabi, Jaqui and Irene  
Adventures found within this city  
Long lost games and subtle pain  
Things are strange

GUITARS: Tom Desisto and Kevin McLeod  
PERCUSSION: Alif Nachth

## CAFÉ EINSTEIN

So this is goodbye  
The cafe lights are low  
You tell me it's over  
I have to go  
Please stand to leave  
But please leave easy  
There's nothing else to say  
I took the voyeur chair  
The last line to share

Children came on motorbikes  
Department store dreams rode behind  
So lovely on all the roads of this land  
This is goodbye

You on the sugar  
Look across at me  
You tell me it's over  
And I am free  
Oh stand to go  
Please please leave it easy  
There's nothing else I can say

LEAD GUITARS: Kevin McLeod  
PERCUSSION: Alif Nacht

## THE HUGE SKY

People housed in farms  
Dream on  
All safe and self assured  
You'll hold your love though leaving  
In the townships of the north  
It always seemed so easy there amongst the farming lands  
There's something of nobility  
On days you work with hands

In the huge skies of a northern land  
The heart will understand  
How the water claims the land

The waterside, the laps of shore,  
Where dijks stand tall and grey  
I drove out through the fog and mist on  
An early winter's day  
Now I'm back in the huge sky  
And the journeys that I made  
I'll show you where my memories are  
And the love you have will stay

Back in a northern land  
The heart will understand  
How the water claims the land

BASS: Tom FitzPatrick  
BACKING VOCAL: Tess Savigear  
LEAD GUITAR: Kevin McLeod

## MEMORY

It's just a memory,  
Shadowline...

ACOUSTIC GUITAR: Aaron Meacham



## THE NORTH SEA

I was in a northern town  
Brick streets and warm cafes  
A busy market  
I saw you standing there  
A cold wet wind blew from the North Sea  
We took the narrow streets  
Past the old tall church  
And the long road  
With the narrow thirties housing  
Green flat fields  
Intersected by ice shorn water  
And tall empty trees  
Straight main roads  
Through ribboned villages

Seems there must be  
Somewhere else to go  
Can you fight the flow of lands?  
When you are in place  
Grey skies kiss the sun  
Think in the night of the lands where your eyes first opened  
And the cold wet winds blew from the North Sea  
In a small town  
Long way from home  
Dreams

SONICS: Ali Hashemi

ORCHESTRATION: The West Hurley Orchestra

EBOW: Aaron Meacham

## SHE ISN'T HERE

Song and Sunshine  
A small TV  
She isn't here  
So I write

Soft living  
A cobbled dream  
Old towpaths  
By the river's stream

I'll come here tomorrow  
With hope to  
Share some farewell  
Good moments to tell

The sun stabs the pathways  
That ripple to the sea  
This longing goes with me  
Endlessly

I study a little  
Learn from your lover  
Learn from the past you made  
Learn from what you trade  
She isn't here

DRUMS: Jim Bertini

EBOW: Aaron Meacham

## WILMERSDORFER

On the pedestrian precinct  
Wilmersdorfer  
The heat is the kind that makes you lazy about everything

It sits so oppressive on your back  
Everyone has the uncomfortable glow of humidity  
I got a tchibo coffee and sat by the fountains

I can hear a bass drum from a busker up the road  
A woman extolls the virtues of her produce  
Through a mic on a stand opposite  
A white mini-dress and bobby sox catches my attention for a second  
But even the children playing in the fountain are more subdued than usual...

PERCUSSION: Alif Nacht

1. Sweet Breakfast	5:57
2. Unfortunate Paradise	4:33
3. Believe Me	4:20
4. Things Are Strange	4:00
5. Cafe Einstein	3:14
6. The Huge Sky	4:20
7. Memory	2:20
8. The North Sea	5:35
9. She Isn't Here	4:31
10. Wilmersdorfer	1:04

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