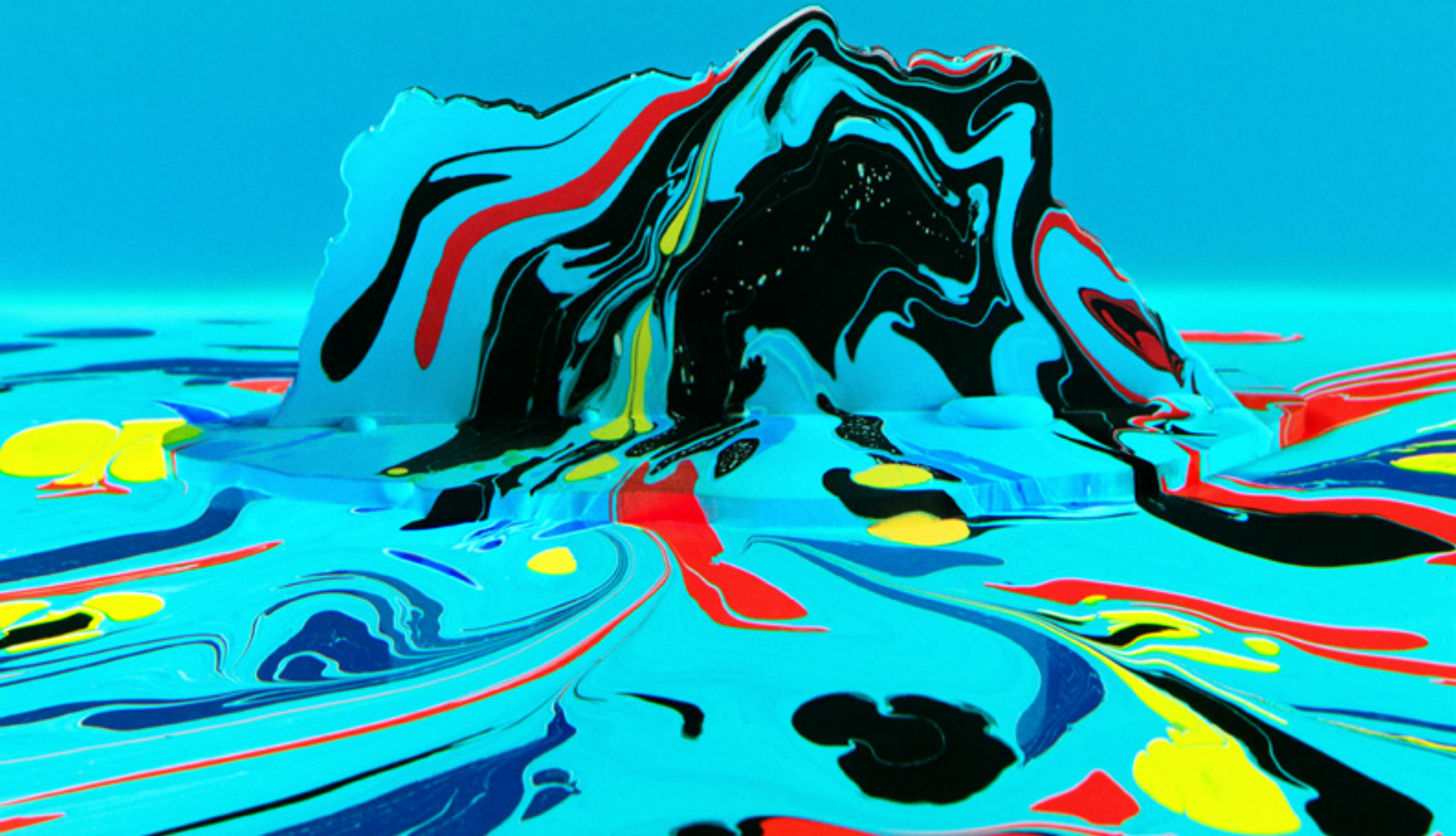


Type this Chemical Song



Seance of Light

I don't recognise the signs
I get distracted by the visions
numbers forming into lines
dancing symmetry

a confident mind
I'm happy to stray
until it comes down
until it is time
to fend for itself
and deal with the world
that terrifies some
I know I should care
But it doesn't seem real

In this seance of light
you've been hiding, you're hiding from life
In this torrent of days
pay attention they're slipping away
In this seance of light
In this torrent of days

The Heart's Desire

Take the gift that's offered
Take the gift you need
close your expectations
slowly start to break
running on a tightrope
running on your knees
Take the gift that's offered
teach yourself to break
How to get away from all this distraction?
How to be at peace when everything is war?
Take the gift that's offered
take the gift you need
Close your expectations
Allow yourself to break
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one day you wonder
if it was real
things fell asunder
how did it feel
each break of morning's light
a hot ball of fire
all things return to night

THE HEART'S DESIRE

Running on a tightrope
running on your knees
repeating every action
following the lead
learning nothing different
learning all the same
learning nothing different
learning all the same
learning there's a deepness
undetectable your name
when can a man say he is a woman?
when can a woman speak as a man?
take the gift that's offered
take the gift you need
close your expectations
Teach yourself to break

Absolutely Animals

Sirens have been watching from the waves
Sick fish have been swimming through the grass
we do alright from the rhythm of the sun
we'll wake up we'll discover what we're done

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colliding ice, folding glaciers
wash me past away

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we got all the right reasons but we're
Absolutely ANIMALS
endless excuses but we're
Absolutely ANIMALS

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Tritons have been singing from the swell
Sick songs that are never getting well
we do alright from the rhythm of the stars
we'll wake up we'll discover where we are

WITHOUT LIFE IN THE WAY

In this world we can stray
nothings real anyway
Its all about who you know
working out how to play
situation it could go either way
It depends
without life in the way
nothing starts and nothing ends

without life in the way
we could start breaking together
turning our eyes from this world
and falling in
touching we lie awake and
feeling time truly pass
talk about taking forever
keep on the cusp of a love
we hardly know

we are the aspects
dancing like dust specks
photos from Saturn
pieces of patterns
what is the next step?
entrance or exit?
what is the next step?

metamorphosis

standing on the beaches
solemn as cathedrals
foaming all the steeples
attracting all the seagulls
kisses something in the water
and nobody is swimming
the things you need for living
are not for sale
we are not for sale

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I can tell you what your focus shifts
in a time of metamorphosis
in your eyes you find your visionless
it's a time of metamorphosis.

the way the water flows backward,
the way we're feasting on our own words
the way the entropy is climbing
as all the population is hiding
and as the morning grows older
all the afternoon soldiers know
that they are part of an unfolding

we made a widow of achievement
we manufactured our seasons
we couldn't learn a different language
we're eating poison in our sandwiches
and when the hurricane is over
we're taking pictures for the drunk crowds
well we are part of an unfolding

Break of Life

This break of life
It went last long
So hold it close
A silent song
These haunted hours
These sleepless years
His summers love
His drowning fear
His Break of life
I breathe for you
You held me up that much

for m.

I go

I give my money to the government
I gave my life to a dream
I hope we're not what I think we are
I hope we're not that obscene
And in the morning when kissing my girl
But she don't know what I know
I wish I could put my head on her shoulders
and she could see where I go.

I go

How many years spent polluting our bodies
How many nights on the town
Another sunrise peaking our eyes
Have we wasted what we found?
And in the evening when I think about people
I don't even want to know
I feel emptiness becoming my equal
I should change before I go
I go

There is beauty in this world
But you have to go and find it
You have to fight for your position here
So you can stand behind it.

There is beauty in this world
but it's never gonna show
If you relax too much
Stand back too much
And don't go.

Will you miss me when I go?

Love on the crest of a wave

Love on the crest of a wave
on the crest of a wave
holding love, feeling saved
Dearest life, stay with me
I could keep you round here easily
On the cusp of a dream
Half awake silently
Long first night, waves of ice
melt when I see your eyes

out in the words where some survive
And life is made, were made to thrive
Hand in your best arrival voice
for life is leaving
Who would have thought to win is loss?
to gain the mind you kill the thought?
And where the sea meets rising sun
Horizon Bleeding

Ribbon Ribbon Ribbon

Bewitching weakness appear at my gate
She holds hands with a fading rainbow
Each colour marks every step that she takes
But in secret she walks at her edges of a boundary

Knife drawn, a sacrifice
Faith without actions is no more than living what a life
water becoming ice
The hollow songs we sweet release
The unfinished boats we were building
that sank on the chemical seas
As outside the winter starts
A change in the leaves and a chill in the breeze
that could stop a heart.

Ribbon Ribbon Ribbon
Once tied into your hair
A singing bird of memory
whose wings became the air

Ribbon Ribbon Ribbon
I am tired behind my eyes
Now I need the soft protection
that no other could supply

THIS Chemical sea

This Chemical sea
where decisions go wrong
where you piss away life
where you drown your song
Keep plumbing the depths
So the mermaids can't see

This Chemical sea
with its fashionable tongue
well if here's living in life
could you show me some?
For each baby a breast
for each student a test
So if you're feeling depressed
why not open your reefer?
why not tether a laugh
to your disastrous week?

Way in still serving high tea
On this chemical sea
In this Chemical sea.

Ho Ho Ho
If I happen to survive
I will lay down at your feet
We can talk about our lives.

Ho Ho Ho
You know the winners all get lost
with the losers anyway
They'll find out to their cost.

no Ho Ho
that it's impossible to change
altho' the goosebumps on my arm
can't forget a certain face

Ho Ho Ho
And when you saw me floating off
I suppose you must have thought
at least we both can swim

In this Chemical sea.

Tape his Chemical Sea

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