

SORITZON

SOMNUS

LYPNAGOGIA

-Mann/Elston



CAPTOR OF DREAMS

-Mann/McIntosh/Elston

Late at night I lay awake
Knowing my dreams he will take
Toss and turn in frantic thought
As hours pass in this net I'm caught
Another night of wasted life
Another dream lost in strife
And the captor's lurking in the distance

There go my dreams
The captor has grasped them once again
Why can't you see?
There's no way to rest my troubled mind

Can't seem to escape
This cruel misfortune, escape
Can't seem to escape
The captor's closing in

I feel a dark shadow overtaking me,
I try to escape. I try to be freed
But still it lurks silently over me
Feeding on dreams, it won't let me be
Decrepit and cruel the captor is
In darkness he dwells and all is his
And frustration overtakes me

All the dreams he inhales
Deep with his black lung
With a grim smirk of trickery
Dwelling in the contentment
Not of his own, like snatching candy
From a child's mouth

Hold on to your dreams
Those dreams you take for granted
Hold on to your dreams
Before they're ripped away

Solo: Mann/Hall

The captor of dreams
I must get them back
You shall give them to me
Or I'll start the attack

Solo: Hall/Mann

Embrace those dreams
Those dreams you take for granted
Embrace those dreams
Before they're ripped away

Give them back or I'll take them back
Those sweet embraces of peace at mind



ESCAPING THE WITCH

-Mann/McIntosh

Look up in the sky a witch flying high is scanning for you
With her evil grin, quickly closes in, the chase has begun
All the problems manifesting inside have given you away
She's on to your scent like a hound on a hunt, you now are her prey

I feel her spells, hear sounds of Hell's bells as fear consumes me
When will I awake? Who did I forsake? Or is this all true?
Could this endless nightmare be a premonition?
See the jagged spine of the wicked swine torturing my soul

"I am here to inflict great pain
Chasing you and distorting your brain
Until nothing remains"

Lurking, entrapping, cornering, yeah she's coming
We all must escape the witch
Invading your mind, keeping you confined

Solo: Mann

This battle, this struggle, draining me, it won't let me be
Yeah, this battle, this struggle, draining me, let me be
I must not give in, I will fight and win
There comes a time when we all must stand and fight

Don't run away this is your day

Witchery fills me, she casts her spells, who will save me?
The darker side of life has seemed to overtake me
I do not deserve this hell, now I must get away free

Sorcerer of the mind
Crucifies thoughts inside

Fleeing, evading, eluding, avoiding
Trailing along on the edge of darkness
Sprinting through the night with the witch still in flight

There's strange feelings in me
An unholy trance enchains me
The darker side of life has seemed to overtake me
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THE SECOND BETRAYAL

-Mann/McIntosh/Payne

Brother of death, son of night
Offered a shameless deed
To betray for the second time
The all mighty god of the sky
Pondering this dangerous task
Hesitation in his mind
He's offered what he truly desires
The hand of his one true love

Solo: Mann

With careful methodical action
He must devise a plan to
Entrance Zeus into a
Light but peaceful rest
To fulfill his promised duty
And claim his lady's hand

He who is the great Hypnos
Will undertake this devious task
He takes shape of a bird
To go unnoticed and cast his spell

Sitting high atop Mount Ida
Perched upon a pine tree
Hypnos stalks his prey
Anxiousness grows high

Zeus is in his sights
He entrances him into rest
And carries on his way
To the powerful Poseidon
To seek his help to overthrow the Trojans

The Trojans stand no chance
Against this elite offense
Defeat by the hands of a greater power
Deceived by the one who beholds the skill
Betrayed by those he will never know

As Zeus awakens
He is left puzzled and in dismay
And little does he know
He's been betrayed again
He has suffered
The second betrayal

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MORPHEUS

-Payne/McIntosh/Mann

He is the god of dreams
At night your mind he will free

Deep in the land of eternal darkness
Far beyond the sun
Morpheus, he dwells, leader of the Oneiroi

Bound together they emerge in darkness
To complete the task at hand
Shaping and twisting thoughts to dreams
From mortals to kings and all in between

Dark winged spirits of the night
Attending to Hypnos, the leader of sleep
Spirits of the night will disperse
Morpheus manifesting in visions of kings
As merely a man who brings messages from the gods

All fall into slumber
And become prisoner to sleep
The Oneiroi will arise and emerge from the gates
To take charge

Solo: Hall/Mann

Morpheus the mysterious
Morpheus the wise
Morpheus the powerful
Morpheus the leader in darkness

Two gates bordered his realm
One of ivory, one of horn
One for fiction
And one for fact
Filtering passing dreams

Darkness come and night fall
Allow the deed to be done
Night blanket the earth
And open the gates of their domain

All fall into slumber
And become prisoner to sleep
The Oneiroi will arise and emerge from the gates
To take charge of night and manipulate dreams

§ SLUMBER INTO DEATH

-Mann/McIntosh

Solo: Hall

Induce me straight into sleep
I feel death take ahold of me
Whispers in my ear
As I'm consumed with fear
This is my final rest
No more of life's tests
Slowly fading away
This is the end of my days

Slumber Into Death
I feel a conscious breath

Telling me to wake
I'm running out of faith

Intoxicated for a cause
Not by choice but by necessity
Twisting state of mind
To achieve piece of mind
Hibernation for my soul
I crawl into my hole
Where dreams are mine to keep
For the winter I shall sleep

Slipping out of consciousness
Not knowing it is for good
Entering an eternal mind rest
Caused by that which has aided sleep

Slumber, sweet slumber
Into unconsciousness
Never awoken, Slumber Into Death

Solo: Mann/Hall
Outro leads: Mann

§ ILLUSIONS

-Mann/McIntosh

Piano: Mann & Alex Nagy

In the peak of night he lays his head down
And starts his dream journey
Drifting wearily into lucid slumber
Where illusions are seen
Within non-fragmented but vivid dream
Past is forgotten and future is seen
He dreams a dream so vivid and clear
No emotions felt, not sadness or fear

Gateways are open and pathways are clear
Follow the signs in your dreams
Connect the pieces laid out for you
And find the missing link
Illusions are seen on a dream journey

As he awakens he soon sees that
His dream has become reality
How could this be? Could his dreams
Hold answers for humanity?

The mysteries of life lie inside you and me
The prophecies in your head are not blind you'll see
Can't you see them? Listen to your dreams
The answers emerge when your thoughts are at ease

Solo: Mann (Harmony: Hall)

Don't let these illusions just pass you on by
Embrace the story you see
Connect the pieces you see in your dreams
The missing piece lies within

Gateways are open, pathways are clear
Follow the signs in your dreams
Connect the pieces laid out for you
And find the missing link

Solo: Mann



SOMBERLAND

-McIntosh



THE TWISTED HANDS OF FATE

-Hall/McIntosh/Mann

Let's go!

As midnight dawns chaos awaits
Just around the bend
The victims of the twisted hands of fate
Approach a descend
Reality blind-sides them
Now stopped dead in their tracks
Glass shatters, steel grinds
In a destructive mess

Now the twisted hands of fate are
Wrapped tightly around their lives
Can't breath, can't bear

This agony and strife
Sounds of horror fill the air
Once happy thoughts
Now smothered in despair

Flesh melts against gravel
Blood begins to spill
It all happened so fast
Though time was standing still
They open their eyes
In hopes of just a dream
But shocked in horror
They realize this is reality

Survived the twisted hands of fate
Survived this sleepless nightmare

They came from up so high
Down to the lowest low
Emotional pain and physical pain
All now begin to show

Though the hands are strong
They'll never crush their hearts made of steel
Cause a metal heart and a metal soul
Will live on to tell the tale
Is that which you, you will never kill
Cause a metal heart and a metal soul
You will never kill

Solo: Hall/Mann/Hall



NO MORE FAIRY TALES

-Payne/McIntosh

Solo: Hall

The sandman has killed all sheep
Buried them in the deep
They will be counted no more
And now he's gone away
No fairy tales to read
Nothing to carry you to sleep

Your dream land exists no more
It's crumbled down now

The monster under the bed
Has stolen your dreams
Right out of your head

And you'll see, the nightmare carries on
Infecting from dusk till dawn
There's no escape in sight now
When you turn out the lights
Is when you begin the fight
You must carry on and seek
The path that once was gone
Time heals all wounds
And restores faith to you

The dream catcher over you
Has stolen them all and you never knew

Solo: Mann

Searching for answers inside
To try and find peace of mind
Escape seems impossible
From that which burdens you
The Nightmare comes creeping back
Never cutting you any slack
I'm starting to lose all hope
My confidence is draining

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A surreal underwater cityscape. In the center, a massive, dark, jagged sea monster with glowing green eyes and a wide-open mouth rises from the depths. The city is composed of ancient stone ruins, including tall columns and multi-story buildings, some of which are partially submerged or broken. The water is a deep green, and the scene is illuminated by a bright light source from the upper right, creating a strong beam of light. A small, glowing blue object is visible in the upper right corner. The overall atmosphere is mysterious and fantastical.

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