

# John Hiatt, Overcoats

Well I wandered in  
To the house of mirrors  
With a camera and an old shotgun  
I was taking some pictures  
Of me and my fears  
And exploding them one by one  
When all of a sudden  
Much to my surprise  
A lady with a fine tooth comb  
Struck a match up to my face  
And said, "Get out of this place  
You better leave the ugly truth alone"

CHORUS:

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I ain't never heard you sing

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Take off that silly thing

Well, I looked her in the eye  
With a slave-like stare  
And said, "I'm here to talk about the rent"  
Well, she did a double flip  
Then she buttoned up her lip  
Went and hid in the oxygen tent  
Well the image shriveled up  
And the air got thin  
As she smiled from behind her mask  
She said, "You can stay here all night  
But it's gonna cost you your life

If I was you, I would be leaving fast.&quot;

## REPEAT CHORUS

I didn't come for information

No I've read the daily news

It's carved on everybody's face

But I'm without illumination

Yes, I think we blew a fuse

And I'd be much obliged

If you could help me locate the place

Well at this, she seemed quite baffled

And like a little girl

She took off her wedding gown

Then she stood before the mirror

And it all came clear

She was married to the lost and found

So I left her there sleeping

In her honeymoon

And I made it through the antidote

Well the procedure is brief

If you wanna see what's underneath

You gotta take off that overcoat

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