## Marc Almond, The Plague

I've spent many a night Lying on my back Waiting for the dawn To pierce and crack And the ceiling Hanging from the sky And I envy the boy Who grabbed the toy And ran away And found a joy While I stood in the shadows Wondering why Flying towards me Then he laughs A woman's face The terrible taste Of the morning after kisses And goodbyes I could never seem to catch my footsteps Have desires, they fly away Every day I have to fight the plague How can I sleep in hours like this When anguish tracks me like a fist My nakedness exposed, I can't stand Still I...try to remember lips on lips Hips on hips and ice on fire In gloom and glow When did they leave the man In the mirror of the night I see A face that staring out at me Like a fallen star Burned itself out Like a deadly scrapes Across the ground My voice cried out In a gravelled sound No one's there to hear me But the plague Straining hard to see Running after me I keep pounding pounding on the door But it's all so vague When you meet the plague And I keep coming

I keep coming back for more