## Catherine

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Intertwined (Co-dependent) On her own she cannot stand What is safety? Where is love? Defined in her selfsame man

Love free of independence is a savage, hungry beast Phantoms grasping, sweating, gasping 'till her mind could not be freed A heart too burning to be ice, though revenge seemed so cold All she needed was prostration forever hers alone

Catherine's singing on the moor her voice ringing from beyond Haunted since she was a child by the same, tired song

This cycle isn't new it's as old as dance itself it's as old as love and love betrayed as old as when first feelings fade as old as when sparks light anew as old as me as old as you

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