

Colors of a Revolution

Poem 1: Violet

Segment A

The night is purple,
Her violet folds draw curtains closed on another day
And smiling like the moon, she slips on her dress of sequins and starlight

Segment B

And one by one, we step out of the shadows to take off our masks that hide our faces from the cruel, cruel sun.

Segment C

And our hearts beat as one,
And our bodies move as one,
And as we lose ourselves to her pulsing darkness,
We scream, scream our joy to the night sky and dance

Poem 2: Turquoise/Indigo

Segment D

Purple fades to blue, indigo and turquoise, and a star falls from the sky. It burns bright, that star, but is used up long before its own true time. And its last lingering light is all that it leaves, Shining like a memory on a million tear-stained silver screens.

Poem 3: Green/Yellow

Segment E

You gotta have the green, man, and you gotta pay the man, man
And then the light goes on,
And in its yellow glow, so much like the sun,
The masks go on and the masquerade begins all over again,
Venus and Mars, man, reluctant dance partners.
And the boys in blue, they take a few,
But only a few in that yellow glow,
'Cause yellow and blue makes all the green, man,
And you gotta have the green...

Poem 4: Orange/Red

Segment F

No!

The word hangs bleeding in the orange glow of the streetlights.

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Marsha says this masquerade is OVER! Masks off! Masks off!

No!

And as the yellow drains from our veins

And the pain of a thousand generations ignite in our blood,

Our minds turn red, and we dance our dance of rage.

Poem 5: Hot Pink

Segment G

In the silence that follows
A new light paints itself across the sky
Not yellow
But pink

A majestic shade, warm and wonderful and glorious

Segment H

And we drop our masks, breaking them, And naked, we walk into that light, bathing in it, and smiling, we greet the new morning, finally, blissfully unafraid.

Segment I

And as hand finds hand,
We march forward, onward and onward
Into a new day dawning we that never thought would come
And we know that we will never go back into the cold safety of those shadows
For the world has turned its face into the light of a new sun.

Segment J

And together, We scream, scream our joy to the sky,
And defy those who would turn their faces from our light,
And we cry with the voices of a thousand generations gone and a thousand generations to come,
"We are Here! We are Here!"