lines unbent *(complete edition)*

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Foreword

lines unbent - a collection of 11 poems

Words hold the power to sound and to silence. Words are strengths and weaknesses at the same time. The passing of emotions, no matter how profound, is an intrinsic part of our human tapestry. It is a reminder that life is a delicate tapestry of moments, woven together by the threads of joy, sadness, love, and loss. It is a collection that reminds us that not all destinies are destined to cross, and not all paths are meant to intertwine. Throughout encountering the realization that some lines are simply not meant to be bent.

astral express

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Aboard the astral express I am
To you, though it may be a scam
But anything to your heart
To be welcome and be your part

Your eyes are a universe itself
The goddess of stars herself
By the colors of them I am coated
By the light of them I am covered

Stars that I'll always look up to
Wondering would they look at me too?
Stars that I'll always stare at
Glowing like this, like that

alcalde of stars

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You have reigned all over my head these few months
This thought lingers and it haunts
To my heart and soul, a feeling never knew
Oh alcalde of stars, I guess it's time to reach you

Why does a meter feel light-years away?
A bunch of words, I couldn't say
You're having a kingdom sprawling within me
But if you colonize me, I'll never wish to be free

Well I'm a slave, but you're not my master
I bet these words, for you, wouldn't matter
I bet I'll only say these words once and never again
I just want to tell you what my heart for months have been

As I try to reach you, I bet I would be just a fleck in memory
I'll be here, seeing you outglow every single luminary
I'll be in the grasslands watching you outshine Venus and Mars
I'll be here, waiting you'd see me, oh alcalde of stars

bending our parallel lines

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The words we shout in our sleep
Are the ones we tend to keep
When I talk to you, eyes tight
You know, I think of you day and night

We lose when we do not try
But we soar when we do not fly
You and me are lines that will never meet
I'll bend every parallel line, hands and feet

You're too much for me to behold
But too lovesome to unhold
I want you like the wandering moon
To see you at the very soon

You're such an entrancing dimension
Severely beauteous sight to mention
You're an intensely Junoesque entity
With your real virtuous identity

An evident calmness in your eyes
Eclipses mine which are full of lies
Your unfathomable gorgeousness
Outclasses my never ending mess

For you are a perfect line of perfect points
The incandescence of all flipping coins
I'm an eccentric, serpentine branch of a tree
The sole reason we never encounter and see

It's the overload of flawful destiny
That averts you from ideating you and me
But we are parallel lines that would never come across
But I'll try to curve our strings regardless of fate's toss

the only city i know

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You're the only city I know
The only place I'll go
The end of every flow
The star of every show

You're the queen of the capitol
The cliff I'd choose to fall
The song I'd call
The enchantress of them all

You're the wind meeting my sea
The horizon I can only see
The vine creeping up my tree
The reason stars agree

You're the waters that drowned me in
The cause of fullfilment within
The thickness of paper thin
The balance of uncertainty therein

You're the felicity in sadness
The specificity in vagueness
The vivacity worlds harness
The equity in one-sidedness

You're the cold in tepidity
The etherealness of being worldly
The prime example of true purity
The wisdom needed in naivety

every beautiful sky should crack

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Even though I tell everyone that I'm over
But you were such an excellent painter
I still have your hues, brighter than copper
Still at the top of me like a floating feather

You painted the skies the permanent way
In awe, here, speechless, you removed everything gray
Getting stuck in such world was a price to pay
An ever swirling portal, where the only choice is to stay

You were my sky for five moons
It was magical like we were raised in silver spoons
But I swear, I can still see you through typhoons
For you are prominently present like your bag's dragons

But every beautiful sky should crack
But I don't know how to live without it so I hold it back
These feelings are too much to just unpack
I'm keeping my eyes on you 'til I get lost of track

an acacia of new age

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You're like this Acacia just across
Beauty and might, confident and strong
Just when you think that it's on a loss
She's living a new age like a song

She sings, listens, and sways with the winds
Holds an aroma of strong romance
Lured me into a hidden abyss
To invisible streets at a glance

Lost in the moments of being found
Lost in her eyes like a bright star
Lost in her magical, soothing sound
Lost in her guidance to unknown scars

Was totally lost in her power
Stuck in a quicksand deep into her
A shower of enchanted glitter
Stuck in her like an unending stare

She healed me like a fairy doctor
But hurt me at the same clocking time
Holds me, an enchantress I adore
Ran, climbed every castle like a crime

Even though I'm in her dimension
She was not into me, thing I knew
I'll stay here, in her constellation
No matter how many age of new

the things we don't do

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I think, I figured it out
Why we don't lock memories
It's nice to feel them again like a sprout
To touch them again like the seas

You and I don't really share much
But I do think of you
That extravagance of such
Made me fall, yeah it's true

It sucks romanticizing alone
Why don't we romanticize together?
If there is only one throne,
Why don't we sit together?

We live on separate worlds
But my mind sees us painting them together
My hand is what your hand holds
It's all delusion, but a memory to remember

Remember when you said "forever?"
It never happened, I'm now feeling like screw
It's a fun thing to remember
The lives we never souled into

Though I don't say it like a beautiful piece
I love you like all hues of blue
Oh how fun it is to reminisce
About the things we don't do

Stargazing you

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I admire how you raise your eyebrow when you affirm or we have mutual knowledge
But to stay with you in this room was my original pledge
But now I feel like I'm on that promise's edge
As this sentiment grows in my chest from a hedge

But I am no one to you, in your vast imaginative mind
Where you can make poems and fit line every line
I know we'll never get to the point where we date dine
I'm slowly accepting here that me not being yours will be fine

We share the same songs but not the same feelings
Where I dream of you with uncertainty what tomorrow brings
You're the brightest star among those sparkly little things
You're not mine, and I'll never be one of your belongings

I bet you can write better than this because you are timeless
You're even beautiful than this piece with a gun and a dress
When I'm beside you, you're best friend thinks I'm a mess
You're smart, but me stargazing you should stay clueless

You're a star, and I'm just a mere night observer
And I know that if I touch you, I can do no better
Think of this as a token or an anonymous letter
To keep the 'nothing' we have, as we sing songs of lavender

I'm carrying you everywhere, now quite literally
But this moment of holding you feels such an anomaly
I never expected I'd be with you this close, like totally
This moment just brings joy among sadness in my tally

Stargazing you brings delight to my celestial emptiness
Stargazing you delivers such ethereal happiness
Stargazing you makes me rise from the deep abyss
Stargazing you mists astral dusts nothingness

I'm right here, stargazing you

the parallel lines

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Fate does the thing again
Snapping us in a count of ten
Something we feel can never mend
You and me, not in the end

Not all lines are meant to meet
Not all people are meant, on a throne, to sit
Not all stars are meant to last
Not all spells are meant to cast

There are dimensions we should never go
Constellations that should never glow
There are trees we should never climb
And fates that will never rhyme

Not all hopes are meant to hold
Not all stories are meant to be told
Not all lines are to be twisted
Not everything is to be shifted

There are forests to never venture
Plants and flowers to never culture
There are roads we shouldn't put our feet
The parallel lines to never meet

Not all inks are to be used to write
Not all advances to do are right
Not all cities are to prosper
But feelings are worth to remember

better this way

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Fate never did its job for me
But at least I'll see you in glee
Choose for you are free
The better path I see

The road ends here
Things before, I called fear
Healed every single tear
Onto new sounds that I can hear

Don't take this as a tear
We'll be having our own, it's fair
New stars to stare
Feelings for someone new to bear

May our paths meet like the wise
May this situation be not in demise
Not the closest, but a companion would suffice
Unromantically fathoming your cries

The stars have to rest in the morning
But they're there, to us connecting
None of romance, this state unending
It's better this way, it's nothing but something

that feeling

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The notes, forever harmonized in memory
The melody, forever taken as remembrance
The lyrics, forever my lips telling a story
Thank you for the songs, forever in treasury

The way you said time will do what it's best
Every tick, every second has a rock to shift
The five months of enchantment has taken a rest
Thank you for taking me in a captivating lift

Now, I fully understand the circumstances
The way I can't interlock my fate with yours
Thank you for teaching me how to take chances
For taking me in a seemingly unending course

The beautiful dream you were every night
The character between hours of sleep
The enticing, enchanting flecks of light
Thank you for taking me that deep

The words you say I am
The phrases you say I embody
Making me feel like a pearl in a clam
Thank for the appreciation and our story

Someday, we'll find our people in the end
People staying with us, unending
Where our fates voluntarily bend
Thank you for taking me to that feeling

continent of peace

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Like glazing an authentic porcelain
Are my feelings one with the rain
Time can't change where my heart has been
Like a pigeon flying refusing to fly again

And from the being lost in races
But with you, I ran to new places
And the preys are at the end of their braces
And I can't put into words your graces

You made me do something for the first time
And made me have a favorite crime
I tsunami that fixed my climb
And I wish I could fit in your perfect rhyme

From monochrome, you brought in kaleidoscopes
My feelings are so big, you need no telescopes
You surf above my rough seas of hopes
But I'm tied to you in loose ropes

You sunk my continent of peace
And the rivers of stagnancy come to cease
Because my mind now runs faster than the seas
And my heart pulsate as blue thoughts release

Nothing compares with how I illicitly miss you
I feel your loss out of my non-existent grip through
Because what can a emotionally gullible boy do
With a feeling that feels so new?

You charge me like I want to change my light
Igniting rainbows from my dull hackmanite
My hush revels in the depths of my night
And in hallucinations my things get it right

But I'm a planet you cannot see
From the shine of my folkstar I am not free
But I like this downhill walk in treachery
As long as I get to poke a dot in the luminary

my thoughts just

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I try and forget you
But every time I do
You become renewed
My thoughts just goes to you

I try to occupy my thoughts
With the store I bought
And cook a delicious broth
My thoughts just want you sought

I get on the nerves of blue
And distract to what I do
I cross dates on my brew
My thoughts are just filled of you

In everything I do
My thoughts are just you

always does

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And I think of October all over again
How my tunes started to begin
That October that defined my walls
That October that escaped my halls

But now I feel caged in your February
And all I can do is wish to be your story
And to at least try to leave a mark
In your longstanding park

My pages are blotted with your heart
Beats extending until March
And upgrade that calls for more
'Cause your voice is keeping score

The various alleyways stood me well
The chaotic nights extended until April
I try to forget every piece of you
But mind, it always does go back to you

The stars come to my park to play
Language spoken until my birth on May
I enjoy the prairies of your mouth
Thinking of you as I voyage South

And so I come to point of June
My feelings never buried in dune
You turn all my minus into plus
I try to not remember, but it always does

glistening starlight

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Traps that you pull me in
Dances that you strap me in
Dancing like some weirdo
Deranged like some weirdo

Yet I find peace in it
Like playing a greatest hit
Your laugh paints my night
With you glistening starlight

I listen to "Superstar" and think of you
You shade me the nicest blue
And apple to my eyes
But the daydream of my surprise

Yet I find joy in it
Your smile gets a greet
You make me nights to remember
Putting me into shades of amber

nickname saga

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I look at the remnants of my war
And see above me, a bright star
I call her a mayor, an alcalde of sorts
The queen of all my forts

She broadcasts her voice to the timeless
And talk even to the friendless
So I call her timeless because she is
The nickname saga continues in bliss

She rhymes my empty lines
And manages to close off mines
So I call her a cursebreaker
The curer of all bad demeanor

She puts me to sleep at night
A song of otherworldly might
So I call her queen of the night
Thinking of her just feels so right

partyin my dreams

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You generate energy in me
And get all my doves free
Lavender skies wrapping my dreams up
Yet my thoughts of you never stop

I watch my heart jump and fall
And wish your presence at a mall
You put me on hot steams
As we party in my dreams

I try to hold an umbrella
I see a beautiful Thumbelina
She wore black at the photos
And spend time on the go-tos

She models my nights into a choice
She put me off with her voice
She pulls a large margin on me
She calls a rain to be free

And that she is you
Because how could I think of anything new
Take me to wherever you are
Oh, my brighter star

last flame

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Hopefully,
This will be the last flame
To engulf bunch of papers
We could not foresee,
Why don't you take
The risk with me?
Our entangled fates
Will never align
Like notes on a staff
I'm low you're high
I'm hell you're sky
But, will you fly around
The cosmos with me?

what are *from the vault* poems?

"from the vault" poems are those I initially discarded when I first published my collection. However, with this rerelease, I decided to add these 7 poems that were once set aside. Resurrected from my crypt, these pieces are now all ours to explore and cherish together.