## Love Rain

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Love rain down on me, on me, down on me [4x] Met him on a thursday, sunny afternoon Cumulus clouds, 84 degrees He was brown, deep Said he wanted to talk about my mission Listen to my past lives (Word?) Took me on long walks to places where butterflies rest easy Talked about Moses and Mumia Reparations, blue colors, memories of shell topped adidas He was fresh, like summer peaches Sweet on my mind like block parties and penny candy Us was nice and warm, no jacket, no umbrella, just warm At night we would watch the stars And he would pyhsically give me each and every one I felt like cayenne pepper, red, hot, spicy I felt Dizzy, Sonya, heaven, and Miles between my thighs Better than love, we made delicious He me had, had me he He made me tongue tied I could hear his rhythm in my thoughts I was his sharp, his horn section His boom and his bip And he was my love Love rain down on me, on me, down on me The rain was fallin and, and slowly and sweetly and stinging my eyes And I could not see that he became my voodoo priest And I was his faithful concubine Wide open, wide, loose like bowels after collard greens The mistake was made Love slipped from my lips Dripped down my chin and landed in his lap And us became new Now me non-clairvoyant and in love Made the coochie easy and the obvious invisible The rain was falling And I couldn't see the season changing And the vibe slipping off it's axis Our beautiful melody became wildly staccato The rain was falling and I could not see That I was to be plowed and sowed and fertilized And left to drown in his sunny afternoon Cumulus clouds, 84 degrees, melody Love rain down on me, on me, down on me [2x] [Mos Def] In stretched my arms towards the sky like blades of tall grass The sun beat in between my shoulders like carnival drums I sat still in hopes that it would help my wings grow So then I would really be fly And then she arrived Like day break inside a railway tunnel Like the new moon, like a diamond in the mines Like high noon to a drunkard, sudden

She made my heart beat in a now-now time signature Her skinny canvas for ultarviolet brushstrokes She was the sun's painting She was a deep cognac color Her eyes sparkled like lights along the new city She lips pursed as if her breath was too sweet And full for her mouth to hold I said, "You are beautiful, distress of mathematics." I said, "For you, I would peel open the clouds like new fruit." And give you lightning and thunder as dowry I would make the sky shed all of its stars like rain I would clasp the constellations around your waist And I would make the heavens your cape And they would be please to cover you They would be pleased to cover you May I please, cover you, please.