

**NANCY SHAW** / from **Torch Song**

**Torch Song #3**

but remember the immensity  
of the mime inverted man  
and his multi-dissident fantasy

my dim anticipation

the arch white warp  
oh arch white warp

**Torch Song #4**

your little colony  
hidden in a pelt

in the motto of a maverick  
condemned to objectivity

## Torch Song #5

You think you're the only one

too busy thinking  
your unremitting ruin.

In the midst of nation  
what song is sung  
Wasn't that enough for you  
If I found a terminological  
wilderness for you.

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