

THE *Lotte Senya* COMPETITION SONGBOOK

“Loser Dumplings” from *Interstate*

Music and lyrics by Melissa Li, Additional lyrics by Kit Yan

DASH

I WANNA TRY
I WANNA TRY THIS ON MY OWN
I DIDN'T MIND
I DIDN'T MIND BEING ALONE
TILL THE DAY SHE CHANGED MY LIFE

IT WAS THAT ONE DAY
A CHILLY SUNDAY
LAST YEAR'S POETRY SLAM
I'D MADE IT TO THE FINALS
MADE IT ALL THE WAY TO THE END
MY PALMS WERE SWEATING
MY HEART WAS DREADING
ADRIAN WAS MY NUMBER ONE FAN
SHE WATCHED ME LOSE THE TITLE
TO ANOTHER WHITE GUY AGAIN

BY JUST TWO POINTS
BY TWO POINTS I LOST

SHE SAID, “BOY, I GOT YOU COVERED
DON'T YOU WORRY
DON'T BE SAD”
SHE SMILED AT ME, TOOK OUT A BAG
AND I SAID, “WHAT THE HELL IS THAT?”

SHE SAID
“LOSER DUMPLINGS
DUMPLINGS ONLY LOSERS GET”
DISAPPOINTMENT AND REGRET
NEVER TASTED SO GOOD
EACH ONE MADE WITH LOVE BY HAND
AND NOW I UNDERSTAND
THAT THE THING ABOUT WINNING
IS NOT IF I DID

BUT THAT SOMEONE BELIEVED I COULD

SHE ALWAYS PUSHED ME
SAW WHAT I COULD BE
BELIEVED THAT I COULD BE GREAT
SHE KNEW THAT I COULD CREATE
POEMS THAT COULD CHANGE THE WORLD
ADRIAN KNEW THIS
SAID I COULD DO THIS
HER VOICE A GIFT AND MY GUIDE
WITH HER HAND IN MINE
THE LOOK IN HER EYES
SHOWED NOTHING BUT LOVE

BY JUST TWO POINTS
JUST TWO POINTS AWAY
I LOST TWO POINTS
BUT LOOK WHAT I GAINED

SHE SAID, "THANK GOD YOU DIDN'T WIN IT
OR THIS WHOLE THING COULD HAVE BEEN TOSSED
BECAUSE THIS GIRL MADE THEM SPECIAL
FOR THE BOY WHO LOST"

SHE MADE ME
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NEVER TASTED SO GOOD
EACH ONE MADE WITH LOVE BY HAND
AND NOW I UNDERSTAND
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BUT THAT SOMEONE BELIEVED

AND I'M REALIZING IT NOW
I'VE BEEN SUCH A FOOL
AND I'M REALIZING IT NOW
WHAT YOU HAVE MEANT TO ME
SOMETIMES WE DON'T NOTICE THE DAYS PASSING BY
AND I SEE YOUR FACE IN A DIFFERENT LIGHT
I KNOW I LOVE YOU
I REALLY LOVED YOU
THIS WHOLE TIME

LOSER DUMPLINGS

DUMPLINGS ONLY LOSERS GET
IF I DON'T TELL YOU I'D REGRET
NOT SAYING A WORD
TO BE YOUR MAN I'LL TAKE A CHANCE
CUZ NOW I UNDERSTAND
THAT THE THING ABOUT WINNING
IS NOT IF I DID
BUT THAT ONE GIRL BELIEVED I COULD