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*To Joy Melinda Oliver  
and Georgina Ryall*

It's coming through a hole in the air,  
from those nights in Tiananmen Square.  
It's coming from the feel  
that it ain't exactly real,  
or it's real but it ain't exactly there.  
From the wars against disorder,  
from the sirens night and day,  
from the fires of the homeless,  
from the ashes of the gay:  
Democracy is coming . . .

(Leonard Cohen, 1992, © Sony Music Entertainment Inc., 1992)

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