

ONE LAST DANCE

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Cmaj7 **Am7** **Dm7** **G**
Good to see you! Glad you made it! God, it's been so long!
Cmaj7 **Am7** **Dm7** **G**
I've been sitting, waiting for you, writing you this song.
Dm7 **Fm6** **Cmaj7** **A7**
We never could say never when it came to you and me.
Dm7 **Fm6** **Dm7** **G**
On the last day of forever, this is where we had to be.

(Chorus)

Cmaj7 **Dm7**
One last dance at the end of time.
 Cmaj7 **Em7** **A7**
It's been so long and we've come so far.
 Dm7 **Fm6**
So find the music, find the rhyme.
 Em7 **A7**
We'll dance together one last time
 Dm7 **G**
Beneath the light of the final shining star.

Do you like it? Can you see I made it just for you?
Built a world beneath this star and sprinkled it with dew.
The light's a little red because the sun's a little small,
But I had to make a miracle so we could meet at all. (For)

(Chorus)

Is it strange? I guess it is. The end of time and space.
But nothing could mean more to me than the chance to see your face,
To wrap my arms around you and to have you by my side
As we cross to a new universe and leave the one that died. (After)

(Chorus)

[Change chords on last line of final chorus to resolve.]

Dm7 **G** **Cmaj7**
Beneath the light of the final shining star.

I wrote this song in Baltimore, right before Bucconeer, the 1998 WorldCon. I'd been mulling over Vernor Vinge's "Marooned in Realtime" and had an idea for an entirely different song than the one I ended up with. I should go back to the other idea someday...