Russian Ballerina

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It takes ten years just to get Your stinking leg up Then five more to make it Not look like shit Soviet children form a crowd Sized and tested Who will be a star Hero of passion of whom they'll say She took her final breath in grand plie O! My mother! Russian Ballerina! You were a swan But now you're swimming in the Carribean O! My mother! Russian Ballerina! Nobody knows how you can live without the love of your life Everybody's asking me Where is Mary? I don't see her at the theatre Or the parties That's right, because She's carving bamboo Far from the artistic millieu Never thought she'd live without Allegiance to a life of art Oh! My mother! Russian ballerina! You were a swan but now you're swimming in the Carribean Oh! My mother! Russian ballerina! Nobody knows how you can live without the love of your life La la la, la la la la la (4x) Life changes One day its eggshells and bread Married to an intellect The next you drive a corvette Things change You live your life for the stage Til your kidney floats away Thrown in a car accident

A time for art A time for living Sometimes the two can be conflicting And mama I'll meet you at Caribana Together we're the highest form of art Oh! My mother! Russian Ballerina! You were a swan but now you're swimming in the Caribbean Oh! My mother! Russian Ballerina! Nobody knows how you can live without the love of your life Oh! My mother! Russian Ballerina! Too bad your priuettes now look almost as bad as mine Oh! My mother! Russian Ballerina! Who needs that bullshit we can drink at the casino all night (Everybody now!) La la la, la la la la la (6x)