

## As Cool As I Am

Dar Williams

Yea, there was a time I didn't like the love, I liked the climb  
ers,  
I was no sister then, I was running out of time and one liners,  
And I was afraid, like you are when you're too young to know th  
e time, and  
So I watched the way you take your fear and hoard the horizon,  
You point, you have a word for every woman you can lay your eye  
s on,  
Like you own them just because you bought the time,  
And you turn to me, you say you hope Im not threatened,

Oh, I'm not that petty, as cool as I am, I thought you'd know t  
his already,  
I will not be afraid of women, I will not be afraid of women.

So now were at a club, you watch the woman dancing, she is drun  
k,  
She is smiling and shes falling in a slow, descending funk,  
And the whole bar is loud and proud and everybody's trying, yea  
h.  
You play the artist, saying, "Is it how she moves, or how she l  
ooks?"  
I say, its loneliness suspended to our own like grappling hooks  
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And as long as shes got noise, shes fine.  
But I could teach her how I learned to dance when the musics en  
ded,

Oh, and thats not petty, as cool as I am, I thought you'd know  
this already,  
I will not be afraid of women, I will not be afraid of women.

You tried to make me doubt, to make me guess, tried to make me  
feel like a little less,  
Oh, I liked you when your soul was bared, I thought you knew ho  
w to be scared,  
And now its amazing what you did to make me stay,  
But truth is just like time, it catches up and it just keeps go  
ing,

And so Im leaving, you can find out how much better things can  
get,  
And if it helps, Id say I feel a little worse than I did when w  
e met,  
So when you find someone else, you can try again, it might work  
next time,  
You look out of the kitchen window and you shake your head and  
say low,

"If I could believe that stuff, Id say that woman has a halo,"  
And I look out and say, "Yeah, shes really blond,"  
And then I go outside to join the others, I am the others,

Oh, and that's not easy, I don't know what you saw, I want some  
body who sees me,  
I will not be afraid of women, I will not be afraid of women.