

## Picasso's Mandolin

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Like Picasso said in 1910  
"I'm gonna paint me a mandolin"  
Could be cubes, it could be curves  
I like to mix the paint with nerve  
I'm load my brush and fire away  
Paint me a hole in the light of day

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You got to play it just the way you feel  
Come on boys, play it again  
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Well, it's colorin' books and drinkin' wines  
It's hard to stay between the lines  
Now there ain't no rule if you don't break it  
Ain't no chance if you don't take it  
Said the damndest thing he'd ever heard  
Was tryin' to learn to sing from a mockingbird

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Like Picasso said before he died  
"There's one more paintin' I'd like to try"  
Well, the doctor held his breath  
And then Picasso nailed a mandolin  
He's born in Spain and died in France  
He was not scared of baggy pants

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