Virginia's Reel

Now gents to the middle said a young girls fiddle And you ain't got nothin' to lose Allemande right she can play it all night She can fiddle off the bottom of your shoes

Oh me, oh my, how she makes that bow hair fly How she hangs that music in the air

Now promenade down to the lonesome sound Of a whippoorwill in the night Sashay back look at old mad Jack Huggin' everything in sight, he said

"Oh me, oh my, how she makes that bow hair fly How she hangs that music in the air"

Now Banjo Bill he stopped stock still As the notes came a rollin' by And it filled his ears and eased his fears And a tear come to his eye, he said

"Oh me, oh my, how she makes that bow hair fly How she hangs that music in the air"

Now the old String Bass he lost his place And his arms they felt like steel And the guitar man dropped both his hands And he swore it was not real, he said

"Oh me, oh my, how she makes that bow hair fly How she hangs that crystal in the air"

Now it's golden strings on eagles wings To the callin' of the squares And there's fiddle tunes and there's fiddle tunes But Virginia's splittin' hairs

Oh me, oh my, how she makes that bow hair fly How she hangs that music in the air

Now she cast a spell no tongue can tell No Prophet can reveal And quiet as death, hold your breath She played Virginia's real

Oh me, oh my, how she makes that bow hair fly How she hangs that music in the air

And it's oh me, oh my, how she makes that bow hair fly How she hangs that crystal in the air

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