

Alley Flowers

Jolie Holland

Some people say you got a psychedelic presence
Shinin' in the park with a bioluminescence
Down these city streets I see you comin'
From afar and I know

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Nobody sings like Mary Sue Bell
Nobody prays like Willie Mac Tell
Nobody walks a mile in my stolen shoes like I do

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I still miss my lonesome lover
And I can't find no single other
To take his empty place
In my heart of hearts, I told him

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The ghost of Shakespeare's on the street
Corduroy hat layin' at his feet
Howlin' in the harp
These dirty city blues fallin' hard

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Zora Neale Hurston told her story
And they kicked her out of New York city
Just like Jesus Christ in Gallilee, like I said

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