## **Queen of the Winter Night**

## **Trans-Siberian Orchestra**

And so back at the hotel Our angel again arrived But this time he went up the front steps Which, of course, led him inside (it's one of those things that architects Conveniently decide) Now hotels are quite like people No two exactly the same And this one had such a magical past The angel found himself quite entertained The foyer still had an elegance That the years could not disguise And the shadows of christmas eves long disappeared This night, still gently glided by For in this hotel, here side by side The past and the present dwelled And the ghosts who lived here not only lived They honestly, lived well The lobby had a steinway piano That was steeped in memories And some said duke ellington's fingers Still lingered on those keys There was a grand palace ballroom Where princesses had once waltzed Whose beauty and sense of style The newspapers would constantly exhault The ghosts of rockefellers and vanderbilts Still met at their christmas eve charity balls Raising money not for themselves But raising it for all (and the sound of their children laughing Still echoed in these halls) Now these spirits of course, could not be seen By any human eyes But each one smiled at the angel When they saw him walking by And these ghosts reminded the angel How every human waiting to be born, And every life that had already left When it was tired out and worn Were connected by those alive right now Which gave the living quite a trust, To pass on what was best and good Inside of each of us Now within each guest room he heard many hearts And behind each heart there was a life And the angel carefully read them all With the next hour of that night When he reached the grand palace ballroom It was behind closed mahogany doors And when the angel was passing by it He could hear music begin once more It seemed that since this room was built Musicians did permanently reside And then the angel did what we all would do He went to look inside And there he found such a majestic orchestra

To please all, it would be enough But then someone plugged a guitar in And the volume, it crept up So with a song inspired by mozart's Famous "queen of the night" The orchestra added the word, "winter" And some notes, some fog, some lights [Instrumental]