

Score

# The Ballad of Miss Ella

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**Presto**

(The Spirit Is Coming In Me)

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Miss Ella

Musical staff for Miss Ella, measures 1-3. The staff is mostly empty with a few notes in measure 3.

Piano

Musical staff for Piano, measures 1-3. Includes the instruction "Just rip it out..." and triplets.

Ella

Musical staff for Ella, measures 4-6. Includes the instruction "Slow" and a fermata.

Pno.

Musical staff for Piano, measures 4-6. Includes the instruction "Slow" and accompaniment for Ella's lyrics.

Ella

Musical staff for Ella, measures 7-8. Includes the instruction "Slow" and lyrics.

Pno.

Musical staff for Piano, measures 7-8. Includes accompaniment for Ella's lyrics.

## The Ballad of Miss Ella

Moderato (♩ = c. 108)

9 10 11

Ella

come with me and you will see the meaning of your life.

Pno.

(riff as desired)

Moderato (♩ = c. 108)

12 13 14 15

Ella

My name is Miss El - la. I used to be nor - mal as an - y - one  
I felt a call - ing, as if all of my life there was some - thing or -

Pno.

16 17 18 19

Ella

here. Had a night - club, Just sing - ing my songs and sell - ing my  
dained, But I nev - er I nev - er could see a way out of my

Pno.

20 21 22

Ella  
beer. chains, But fel - las, night af - ter night it was per - fect - ly  
chains, But fel - las, then came that storm with her hor - ri - ble

Pno.

23 24 25 26

Ella  
clear: rains: The spir - it was - n't com - ing in me.  
rains: The spir - it was com - ing for me.

Pno.  
{stomp}

27 28 29 30

Ella  
Sav - ing the club I was trapped in the flood un - der wat - er and mud I was

Pno.

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31 32 33 34

Ella

gasp-ing I sank like a stone, I was gasp-ing for air, I was

Pno.

35 36 37 38

Ella

dy-ing as I plunged to the bot-tom I sent up a prayer: Dear

Pno.

39 40 41

Ella

Je-sus and Bud-dha and Shi-va and all of 'em there: I saw the

Pno.

{stomp}

maybe a little slower

Ella

42 43 44 45

spir - it was com - ing for me.

Pno.

*p*

*p*

Ella

46 47 48 49

And lo! a mir - a - cle out of the  
the mir - a - cle I was fore -

Pno.

Ella

50 51

cold:  
told: Float - ing in pur - ple and green and in

Pno.

15<sup>ma</sup>

52 53 54

Ella  
gold... A raft I could be on to flee on out to

Pno.

*ma* - - - - -

55 56 57 58

Ella  
sea on... this ne-on... "King-fish-er Club," it blinked, and so I took

Pno.

59 60 61

Ella  
hold: *f* The spir - it was com - ing in

Pno.

*a tempo* (♩ = c. 108)

*a tempo* (♩ = c. 108)

62 63

Ella

me!

Pno.

64 65 66 67. 1.

Ella

It may look like just an advertisement to you,  
but to me, oh my ducklings... it was a SIGN! <I'll let you write the  
epiphany out at sea part...>

Pno.

*mp*

68 69 70

Ella

Now fel-las, the gift I've been giv-en is eas-y to

Pno.

These are just for the MIDI version.

*f*

71

72

73

74

Tam. 

Ella   
see: the spir - it has come in me!

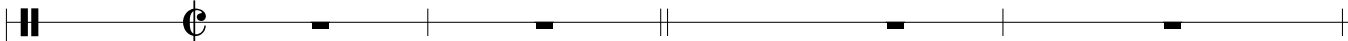
Pno.   
{stomp}


75

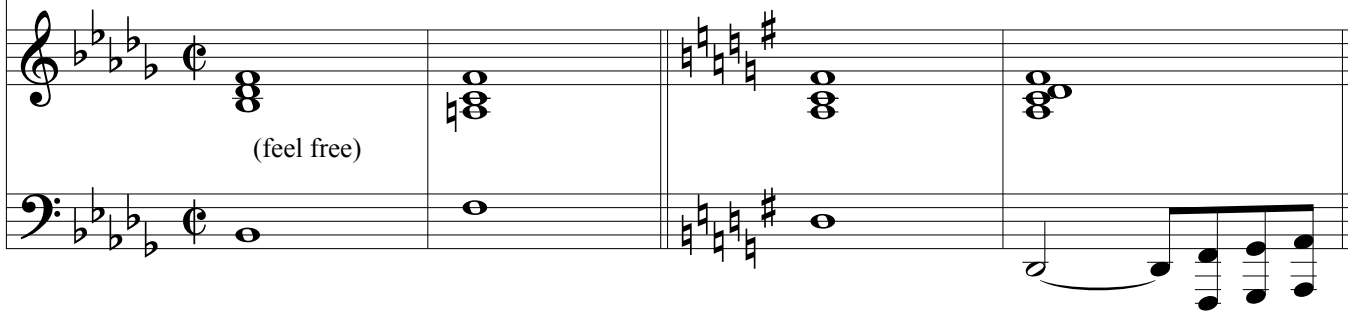
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77

78

Tam. 

Ella   
That's right, ducklings, I have returned to you as your own  
personal shaman... [or words to that effect...] Oh I've...

Pno.   
(feel free)



79 80 81 82

Tam.

Ella **Allegro** (M.M. ♩ = c. 120)  
I've suf-fered high, \_\_\_\_\_ I've suf-fered low, \_\_\_\_\_ And  
My in-ner eye can see the truth, \_\_\_\_\_ And

Pno. **Allegro** (M.M. ♩ = c. 120)

83 84 85 86

Tam.

Ella *Big pause here if you like.*  
in my time I've learned a thing or two... - Come on, come in, come  
I can tell there's some-thing wrongwith you (and you and you) I'll take you on a

Pno.

87 88 89 90 91

Tam.

Ella

Pno.

92 93 94 95

Tam.

Ella

Pno.

96 97 98 99

Tam.

Ella  
heal - ing just for you. Step in - to my cir - cle and I'll  
heal - ing for your whole. I can take your bro - ken heart and

Pno.

100 101 102 103

Tam.

Ella  
jerk your heart a - new: \_\_\_\_\_ I bring heal - ing, heal - ing,  
give it some - thing true: \_\_\_\_\_

Pno.

heal - ing, heal - ing,

104 105 106 107

Tam.

Ella   
heal - ing, heal - ing, heal - ing, heal - ing,

Pno.   
heal - ing, heal - ing, heal - ing, heal - ing,

108 109 110 111

Tam.

Ella   
heal - ing, heal - ing, heal - ing just for you!  
1. (back to m. 79)

Pno.   
heal - ing, heal - ing, heal - ing, heal - ing,  
1. (back to m. 79)

112 113

Tam.

Ella

Pno.

2. *Sva* - - - -