

8. CAUTIOUSLY OPTIMISTIC

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Moderato B \flat 3 G \flat

I'm cau-tious-ly op-ti-mis-tic that I've stum-bled on-to some-thing rath-er

good. I'm ful-ly a-ware that rare-ly do things

go my way, but e-ven so, they could. This time they could. His -

4 B \flat E \flat /F B \flat 3

7 G \flat F7sus4 F7

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10 Eb 3 Eb° Bb/D Cm7 3 F7 Bb

tor-ic-ally, I'm in-clined down-ward, while ev-'ry-one else a-round me slopes up.

14 Am11 3 D7 Gmin Gb7

Would-n't ya think it's time I soared? No,

17 Eb/F 3 Cm7 F7

bet-ter-not get my hopes up. I'm

20 Bb 3 Gb Bb

cau-tious-ly op-ti-mis-tic, ri-ding high but al-so ri-ding for a fall.

THE TAXI CABARET

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23 Eb/F Bb 3 Ab/Bb3

Sur - round-ed by poss - i - bi - li - ties but ut - ter - ly un - be - gui - led by them

26 Eb G+7 C13 3 Db°

all. _____ As long _____ as I'm here, I'd

30 Bb/D 3 Gb9 Bb/F 3 Gb° 3

rath - er re - main clear - eyed, read - y to face what - ev - er the Fates may

34 Gm7 G7 Eb6 3

do. _____ I'll be cau - tious - ly op - ti - mis - tic 'til

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37 F7 3 Bb

ev - 'ry-thing that I want comes true! But

40 E9(#11)

ooh... I feel a tin - gle creep - in' some-where deep in-side my

43 Ab9 E9(#11)

soul. Ooh...

46

I feel like a - ny min - ute I'll be spin - ning out of con -

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48 $A9(\#11)$

trol... Oh...

mf

51

I got - ta just stay ground - ed, tell my - self it's all un - found - ed

54 $D\flat 13(\#11)$ $E9(\#11)$

still... It may nev - er come.

f

57 $D\flat m6/E\flat$ $F\#7(\flat 9)$

I'm sure that it will! Well, I'm

mp

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60 **B** 3 **G** **B**

nine-ty-nine and a half per-cent con - vinced, and yet that's not the same as sure.

63 **E/F#** **B** 3 **A/B** 3

There's ma-ny a way to screw things up, to ju-bi-late would be far too pre-ma-

66 **E** **G#7** **C#13** — 3 — **D°**

ture. To call it a lock would

70 **B/D#** 3 **G** **B/F#** 3 **G°** 3

jinx it for sure so let's knock wood. Like it or not, I know what I've got to

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74 *G#m7* *G#7* *E6*

do: I'll be cau-tious - ly op - ti - mis - tic,

77 *F°* *B/F#* *G#m7*

mod - er - ate - ly ec - stat - ic, and

80 *C#m11* *F#7* *B*

suit - a - bly non - cha - lant 'til ev - 'ry - thing that I want comes true!

80 *Glissando*