

## Laura Veirs "Jailhouse Fire"

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Did you see that lady there?  
They stripped her to her underwear  
She took it one step further and stripped to bare  
Through the rising flames and smoke  
She laughed as all the police choked  
And then she danced in the government pyre

The jailhouse is on fire  
The jailhouse is on fire

She grabbed a guard and stole his keys  
Unlocked the cells, and set us free  
And we ran and caught our pants on the old barbed  
wire  
We hit the dirt we hit the road  
We jumped the fence, we kissed a toad  
And we hollered at the ladies in the churchyard choir

The jailhouse is on fire  
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I hopped a train and headed west  
Free woman now just like the rest  
All the hobos on the line called me a liar  
The train it choked and spewed and spat  
And coal smoke billowed thick and black  
And she was everywhere and rising higher

She set the jailhouse on fire  
She set the jailhouse on fire

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