

## **Christine Lavin**

# **"Ten O'clock In Toronto"**

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It's Ten O'Clock in Toronto  
I check into a room on the 21st floor  
I'm travelling on cruise control  
Turn on the TV and lock the door  
I hear a news reporter  
She says "we are looking to the sky  
Tonight we're in the midst of a lunar eclipse  
HmMMM what a heavenly sight"  
I pull back the curtains, and there  
Above the building across the street  
I spy the man in the moon playing hide and seek  
I try to keep my eyes fixed on that elusive moon  
But I'm distracted across the way  
I can see into some rooms  
There's a young woman sitting at a desk  
So busy writing  
Now a man sits next to her  
Looks like they're fighting  
She buries her head in her hands  
And silently she cries  
He gets up, paces, pounds the wall  
Shakes his fist up to the sky  
To the moon, Alice  
Two rooms down I can see  
Jimmy Stewart and Grace Kelly  
No it's just a Hitchcock film  
A wide screen color TV  
Over in the corner  
There's an old man playing with a black cat  
If he saw me spying like this  
What would he think of that  
Would he think that I'm a voyeur  
Or just another lonely one  
An interloper taking notes of heartache on the run  
Now the moon is bathed in shadows  
That woman is bathed in tears  
Grace Kelly bathed in the limelight  
For so many years  
I'm bathed in the darkness  
Behind this window pane  
Watching light and love and life  
Wax and wane

Now the old man and the black cat  
Are dozing in an easy chair  
Are visions dancing in their heads  
Of moonbeams in the air  
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