Michelle Shocked "The Cement Lament"

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It was that kind of misting rain It was that kind of night Nothing was wrong Oh, it just wasn't right

It weren't the blues
It weren't low rent
It was just the cement lament

All these late night alleys All these late night alley cats It starts raining harder She adjusts her hat

It weren't the blues
It weren't low rent
It was just the cement lament

A streetlight goes out She makes her wish A taxi turns on the corner A puddle makes a splish

It weren't the blues
It weren't low rent
It was just the cement lament

How many years has it been Since you left that old hometown Both eyes on your feet Both feet on the ground

It's not the blues It's not low rent It's just the cement lament

It's not superstition
It's just playing it smart
Don't step on the cracks
Now don't you break your mama's heart

It's not the blues

It's not low rent It's just the cement lament

Sun's rolling up the East River It slowly dawns on you You're smoking your last cigarette The rain has stopped the sky is blue

Time to shake this mood Someone's got to pay that rent Someone's shift just started

Singing the cement lament Singing the cement lament Singing the cement lament Singing the cement lament

Singing the cement lament Singing the cement lament Singing, singing Swinging, swinging

Singing and swinging Singing and swinging Swinging and singing Swinging and singing

Yeah, yeah, yeah Yeah, yeah, yeah Yeah, yeah

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