

Patti Smith

"Dead to The World"

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Dead to the world my body was sleepin'
On my mind was nothin' at all
Come a mist, an air so appealing
I'm here a whisperin', you summoned, I called

I formed me a presence whose aspect was changin'
Oh, he would shift, he would not shift at all
We sat for a while, he was very engagin'
And when he was gone, I was gone on a smile

With a strange way of walkin'
And a strange way of breathin'
More lives than a cat that let me astray
All in all, he captured my heart
Dead to the world and I just slipped away

I heard me a music that drew me to dancin'
Lo, I turned under his spell
I opened my coat but he never came closer
I bolted the door and whispered, oh well

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I laid in the rushes, the air was upon me
Wonderin', well, I just couldn't discern
Will he come back, come back to me?
Oh, I whispered will you ever return?

I was feelin' sensations in no dictionary
He was less than a breath of shimmer and smoke
The life in his fingers unwound my existence
Dead to the world alive I awoke

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Alive I awoke
(Alive)
Alive I awoke
(Alive I awoke)
Alive
(I awoke)

I awoke
(I awoke)
I awoke
(Alive)
Alive, alive, oh
(Alive)
(Alive)
Alive, alive, oh
Alive, alive, oh

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