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MANAGER

No, please no Not tonight, please no Mister, can't you go Not tonight, can't have a scene

ROGER

What?

MANAGER

Go, please go, you, hello sir! I said no, important customer

MARK

What am I, just a blur?

MANAGER

You sit all night You never buy

MARK

That's a lie That's a lie

I had a tea the other day

MANAGER

You couldn't pay!

MARK

Oh, yeah

COLLINS

Benjamin Coffin III, here?

MANAGER

Oh, no

ALL

Wine and beer!

MAUREEN

The enemy of Avenue A

We'll stay

MANAGER

Oy vey

COLLINS

What brings the mogul in his own mind To the Life Cafe?

BENNY

I would like to propose a toast To Maureen's noble try

It went well

MAUREEN

Go to hell

BENNY

Was the yuppie scum stomped? Not counting the homeless How many tickets weren't comped?

ROGER

Why did Muffy-

BENNY

Alison

ROGER

-Miss the show?

BENNY

There was a death in the family If you must know

ANGEL

Who died?

BENNY

Our akita

MARK, ROGER, ANGEL, COLLINS

Evita

BENNY

Mimi, I'm surprised A bright and charming girl like you Hangs out with these slackers Who don't adhere to deals You make fun, yet I am the one Attempting to do some good Or do you really want a neighborhood Where people piss on your stoop every night?

Bohemia, Bohemia's A fallacy in your head This is Calcutta Bohemia is dead

MARK

Dearly beloved, we gather here to say Our goodbyes

COLLINS & ROGER
Dies Ira, Dies Illa
Kyrie Eleison
Yitgadal V' Yitkadash (etc.)

MARK

Here she lies,
No one knew her worth
The late great daughter of Mother Earth
On these nights when we celebrate the birth
In that little town of Bethlehem
We raise our glass
You bet your ass to...
La Vie Boheme

ALL

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MARK

To days of inspiration,
Playing hookey, making something
Out of nothing, the need
To express to communicate,
To going against the grain,
Going insane,
Going mad

To loving tension, no pension
To more than one dimension,
To starving for attention,
Hating convention, hating pretension,
Not to mention of course,
Hating dear old mom and dad

To riding your bike
Midday past the three piece suits
To fruits, to no absolutes
To Absolut, to choice
To the Village Voice
To any passing fad

To being an us for once, Instead of a them

ALL

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MAUREEN

Is the equipment in a pyramid?

JOANNE

It is, Maureen

MAUREEN

The mixer doesn't have a case Don't give me that face!

MR. GREY Ahemm

MAUREEN

Hey Mister... She's my sister

WAITER

So that's five miso soup, Four seaweed salad Three soy burger dinner, Two tofu dog platter And one pasta with meatless balls

BOHEMIAN

Eww

COLLINS

It tastes the same

MIMI

If you close your eyes

WAITER

And thirteen orders of fries Is that it here?

ALL

Wine and beer!

MIMI & ANGEL

To hand-crafted beers made in local breweries To yoga, to yogurt, to rice and beans and cheese To leather, to dildos, to curry Vindaloo To Huevos Rancheros, and Maya Angelou

MAUREEN & COLLINS

Emotion, devotion, to causing a commotion, Creation, Vacation

MARK

Mucho masturbation

MAUREEN & COLLINS Compassion, to fashion, to passion When it's new

COLLINS

To Sontag

ANGEL

To Sondheim

FOUR PEOPLE

To anything taboo

COLLINS & ROGER

Ginsberg, Dylan, Cunningham and Cage

COLLINS

Lenny Bruce

ROGER

Langston Hughes

MAUREEN

To the stage!

PERSON #1

To Uta

PERSON #2

To Buddha

PERSON #3

Pablo Neruda, too

MARK & MIMI

Why Dorothy and Toto went over the rainbow To blow off Auntie Em

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MAUREEN

And wipe the speakers off before you pack

JOANNE

Yes, Maureen

MAUREEN

Well, hurry back

MR. GREY

Sisters?

MAUREEN

We're close

ANGEL, COLLINS

Brothers!

MARK, ANGEL, MIMI & 3 OTHERS
Bisexuals, trisexuals, Homo Sapiens,
Carcinogens, hallucinogens, men,
Pee Wee Herman
German wine, turpentine, Gertrude Stein
Antonioni, Bertolucci, Kurosawa
Carmina Burana

ALL

To apathy, to entropy, to empathy, ecstasy Vaclav Havel, The Sex Pistols, 8BC To no shame, never playing the fame game

COLLINS

To marijuana

ALL

To sodomy It's between God and me To S & M

BENNY

Waiter, Waiter, Waiter!

ALL

La Vie Boheme

COLLINS

In honor of the death of Bohemia an impromptu salon will commence immediately following dinner...

Maureen Johnson, back from her spectacular one night performance at the Eleventh Street Lot

Will perform Native American tribal chants, backwards through her vocoder, while accompanying herself on the electric cello which she ain't never studied.

ROGER

And Mark Cohen will preview his new documentary about his inability to hold an erection on high holy days.

MARK

And Mimi Marquez clad only in bubble wrap, will perform her famous lawnchair handcuff dance to the sounds of ice tea being stirred
BENNY

Your new boyfriend doesn't know about us?

MIMI

There's nothing to know

BENNY

Don't you think that we should discuss-

MIMI

It was three months ago

BENNY

He doesn't act like he's with you

MIMI

We're taking it slow

BENNY

Where is he now?

MIMI

He's right-hmm Where'd he go?

MARK

And Roger will attempt to write a bittersweet, evocative song

That doesn't remind us of 'Musetta's Waltz'

COLLINS

Angel Dumott Schunard will model her latest fall fashions from Paris while accompanying herself on the

10-gallon plastic pickle tub.

And Collins will recount his exploits as an Anarchist...

Including the tale of

His successful reprogramming of the MIT virtual reality equipment to self-destruct as it broadcasts the words:

ALL

'Actual Reality - ACT UP - Fight AIDS! '

BENNY

Check!

MIMI

Excuse me, did I do something wrong? I get invited, then ignored all night long

ROGER

I've been trying, I'm not lying No one's perfect, I've got baggage

MIMI

Life's too short babe, time is flying I'm looking for baggage that goes with mine

ROGER

I should tell you-

MIMI

I've got baggage, too

ROGER

I should tell you--

BOTH

Baggage-

OTHERS

Wine And Beer!

MIMI

AZT break

ROGER

You?

MIMI

Me. You?

ROGER

Mimi

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