

## Ani DiFranco "Swandive"

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cradling the softest, warmest part of you in my hand  
feels like a little baby bird fallen from the nest  
i think that your body is something i understand  
i think that i'm happy, i think that i'm blessed

i've got a lack of inhibition  
i've got a loss of perspective  
i've had a little bit to drink  
and it's making me think  
that i can jump ship and swim  
that the ocean will hold me  
that there's got to be more  
than this boat i'm in

'cuz they can call me crazy if i fail  
all the chance that i need  
is one-in-a-million  
and they can call me brilliant  
if i succeed  
gravity is nothing to me, moving at the speed of sound  
i'm just going to get my feet wet  
until i drown

and i teeter between tired  
and really, really tired  
im wiped and im wired but i guess its just as well  
because i built my own empire  
out of car tires and chicken wire  
and i'm queen of my own compost heap  
and i'm getting used to the smell

and i've got a lack of information  
but i got a little revelation  
and i'm climbing up on the railing  
trying not to look down  
i'm going to do my best swan dive  
in the shark-infested waters  
i'm gonna pull out my tampon  
and start splashing around

'cuz i don't care if they eat me alive  
i've got better thing to do than survive

i've got a memory of your warm skin in my hand  
and i've got a vision of blue sky and dry land

i'm cradling the hardest, heaviest part of me in my  
hand  
the ship is pitching and heaving, my limbs are bobbing  
and weaving  
and i think this is what i understand  
i just need a little vaccination for my far-away vacation  
i'm going to go ahead boldly because a little bird told  
me  
that jumping is easy, that falling is fun  
up until you hit the sidewalk, shivering, stunned

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