

## **Tom Waits**

# **"The Piano Has Been Drinking"**

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The piano has been drinking  
My necktie is asleep  
And the combo went back to New York  
The jukebox has to take a leak

And the carpet needs a haircut  
And the spotlight looks like a prison break  
'Cause the telephone's out of cigarettes  
And the balcony's on the make

And the piano has been drinking  
The piano has been drinking

And the menus are all freezing  
And the light man's blind in one eye  
And he can't see out of the other  
And the piano-tuner's got a hearing aid  
And he showed up with his mother

And the piano has been drinking  
The piano has been drinking

'Cause the bouncer is a sumo wrestler  
Cream puff Casper milk toast  
And the owner is a mental midget  
With the I.Q. of a fencepost

'Cause the piano has been drinking  
The piano has been drinking

And you can't find your waitress  
With a geiger counter  
And she hates you and your friends  
And you just can't get served without her

And the box-office is drooling  
And the bar stools are on fire  
And the newspapers were fooling  
And the ash-trays have retired

'Cause the piano has been drinking  
The piano has been drinking

The piano has been drinking

Not me, not me, not me, not me, not me

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