

Fascinating Rhythm

Ella Fitzgerald, Nelson Riddle Orchestra

Got a little rhythm, a rhythm, a rhythm
That pit-a-pats through my brain
So darn persistent,
The day isn't distant
When it'll drive me insane.

Comes in the morning
Without any warning,
And hangs around me all day.
I'll have to sneak up to it

Someday, and speak up to it.
I hope it listens when I say

[Chorus]
Fascinating Rhythm,
You've got me on the go
Fascinating Rhythm,
I'm all a-quiver.

When a mess you're making
The neighbours want to know
Why I'm always shaking
Just like a flivver.

Each morning I get up with the sun
Start a-hopping,
Never stopping
To find at night no work has been done.

I know that
Once it didn't matter
But now you're doing wrong
When you start to patter

I'm so unhappy.
Won't you take a day off?
Decide to run along
Somewhere far away off

And make it snappy
Oh, how I long to be the man I used to be
Fascinating rhythm,
Oh won't you stop picking on me?

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