

# Wonderful (Original Cast Recording)

## Joel Grey

WIZARD

I never asked for this  
Or planned it in advance  
I was merely blown here  
By the winds of chance  
I never saw myself  
As a Solomon or Socrates  
I knew who I was:  
One of your dime a dozen  
Mediocrities Then suddenly I'm here  
Respected - worshipped, even  
Just because the folks in Oz  
Needed someone to believe in  
Does it surprise you  
I got hooked, and all too soon?  
What can I say?  
I got carried away  
And not just by balloon: Wonderful  
They called me "Wonderful"  
So I said "Wonderful" - if you insist  
I will be "Wonderful"  
And they said "Wonderful"  
Believe me, it's hard to resist  
'Cause it feels wonderful  
They think I'm wonderful  
Hey, look who's wonderful -  
This corn-fed hick  
Who said: "It might be keen  
To build a town of green

And a wonderful road of yellow brick!"(spoken) See - I never had a family of my own. So, I  
guess I just - wanted to give the citizens of Oz everything.ELPHABA(spoken) So you lied to them.WIZARD

(spoken) Elphaba, where I'm from, we believe all sorts of  
things that aren't true. We call it - "history."(sung) A man's called a traitor - or liberator  
A rich man's a thief - or philanthropist  
Is one a crusader - or ruthless invader?  
It's all in which label  
Is able to persist  
There are precious few at ease  
With moral ambiguities

So we act as though they don't exist  
They call me "Wonderful"  
So I am wonderful  
In fact - it's so much who I am  
It's part of my name  
And with my help, you can be the same  
At long, long last receive your due  
Long overdue  
Elphaba - The most celebrated  
Are the rehabilitated  
There'll be such a - whoop-de-doo  
A celebration throughout Oz  
That's all to do - with you Wonderful  
They'll call you wonderful:ELPHABA  
It does sound wonderful:WIZARD  
Trust me - it's funBOTH  
When you are wonderful  
It would be wonderful?  
Wonderful, wonderfulWIZARD  
One! Two! And:  
(they dance)

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