Dancing Through Life

Wicked (Original 2003 Broadway Cast Recording)

(feat. Norbert Leo Butz, Kristin Chenoweth, Christoper Fitzgerald, Michelle Federer)
[Fiyero]The trouble with schools is
They always try to teach the wrong lesson
Believe me, I've been kicked out
Of enough of them to know
They want you to become less callow
Less shallow
But I say: why invite stress in?
Stop studying strife
And learn to live "the unexamined life"...
Dancing through life
Skimming the surface
Gliding where turf is smooth
Life's more painless
For the brainless
Why think too hard?
When it's so soothing
Dancing through life
No need to tough it
When you can sluff it off as I do
Nothing matters
But knowing nothing matters
It's just life
So keep dancing through...
Dancing through life
Swaying and sweeping
And always keeping cool
Life is faught less
When you're thoughtless
Those who don't try
Never look foolish
Dancing through life
Mindless and careless
Make sure you're where less
Trouble is rife
Woes are fleeting
Blows are glancing
When you're dancing
Through life...

So-what's the most swankified place in town?
[Glinda]That would be the Ozdust Ballroom.
[Fiyero]Sounds perfect.
Let's go down to the Ozdust Ballroom
We'll meet there later tonight
We can dance till it's light
Find the prettiest girl...
Give her a whirl
Right on down to the Ozdust Ballroom
Come on
Follow me
You'll be happy to be there...
[Students]Dancing Through Life
Down at the Ozdust...
[Fiyero]If only because dust
Is what we come to
[Students]Nothing matters
But knowing nothing matters
It's just life...
[Fiyero]So keep dancing through...
[Boq]Miss GLINDA, I hope you'll save at least one dance for me. I'll be right here. Waiting. All night.
[Glinda]Oh-that's so kind. But you know what would be even kinder?
See that tragic'ly beautiful girl
The one in the chair
It seems so unfair
We should go on a spree
And not she
Gee-
I know someone would be my hero
If that someone were
To go invite her...
[Boq]Well maybe, I could invite her?
[Glinda]Oh, Bick, really?
You would do that for me?
[Boq]I would do anything for you Miss GLINDA.
[Glinda]So...
[Fiyero]
So I'll be picking you up around eight?
[Glinda]After all-
Now that we've met one another
[Glinda & Fiyero]It's clear we deserve each other
[Glinda]You're perfect...
[Fiyero]You're perfect...
[Glinda & Fiyero]So we're perfect together
Born to be forever...

Dancing Through Life...
[Nessa]Oh, Elphaba-Isn't it wonderful?
Fin'lly for this one night
I'm about to have a fun night
With this Munchkin boy
Glinda found for me
And I only wish there were
Something I could do for her
To repay her
Elphaba, see
We deserve each other
And Glinda helped it come true
We deserve each other
Me and Boq -
please, Elphaba, try to understand.
[Elphaba]I do...
Glinda, listen. Nessa and I were talking about you just now.
[Glinda]And I was just talking about you. I thought you might want to wear this hat to the party tonight!
It's really-uh-sharp
Don't you think?
You know black is this year's pink
You deserve each other
This hat and you
You're both so smart
You deserve each other
So here
Out of the goodness of my heart
[Boq]Listen, Nessa
[Nessa]Yes?
[Boq]Uh, Nessa.
I've got something to confess, a
Reason why, well-
Why I asked you here tonight
Now I know it isn't fair...
[Nessa]Oh, Boq. I know why.
[Boq]You do?
[Nessa]It's because I'm in this chair
And you felt sorry for me
Well isn't that right?
[Boq]No! no! It's because..uh..because...
Because you are so beautiful
[Nessa]Oh, Boq! I think you're wonderful!
And we deserve each other
Don't you see, this is our chance?
We deserve each other

Don't we, Boq?
[Boq]You know what?
Let's dance!
[Nessa]What?
[Boq]Let's Dance!
[Students]Dancing Through Life
Down at the Ozdust
If only because dust
Is what we come to
And the strange thing:
You're life could end up changing
While you're dancing
Through!

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