

## Come And Be Welcome

Heather Dale

Come and be welcome, O wandering minstrel  
Spreading your music from city to town  
Be you harper or piper, your duty is noble  
You carry the tunes that will never die down

Come from the forest and sit 'round the fire  
Come from the fields and enter our hall  
Come drink from the guest-cup  
Come join in our circle  
Come and be welcome ye bards one and all

Come and be welcome, O noble court poet  
The treasure of knowledge is kept in your words  
So unlock the riches of rhyme and of rhythm  
And let all the wealth of your wisdom be heard

Come and be welcome, O fair-voiced singer  
Weaving the magic of music along  
You can thunder the heavens to raise up an army  
Or simply bring laughter and peace with a song

Come and be welcome, O rare tale-teller  
With stories of wonder you wisely recall  
Now tell of the heroes who dwell in our history  
For tales that are true are the best of them all

Come and be welcome, wherever you hail from  
Share all the secrets and joys of your art  
For every new voice that joins in the chorus  
Can uplift the spirit and cheer the heart

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