

## Mahalia

Shriekback

All the bloodbank boys they know her name  
With her heatwave eye and her fusebox brain  
See how the primal laws obtain  
And how my limp leaves wait for rain  
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Mahalia! Mahalia!

Look at the human wreckage she entrains  
And it's all out of her hands she claims  
It was the monster daddy who forged her chains  
But none of that stuff quite explains  
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Mahalia! Mahalia!

Ah the bile comes up as the drink goes down  
But it's all aboard for nutbar-town  
Her name is sonorous and brown  
It's a deeply satisfying sound  
A deeply satisfying sound  
Mahalia! Mahalia!

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Go steady in the dark  
Go steady in the dark  
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Her china heart's exciting too  
But nothing that you should pursue  
She's a chemical lynx in the human zoo  
Her steely moods will run you through  
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Mahalia! Mahalia!