Guy Clark, Picasso's Mandolin

Picasso said in 1910
I'm gonna paint me a mandolin
Could be cubes it could be curves
I like to mix the paint with nerve
I'm gonna load my brush and fire away
Paint me a hole in the light of day

Chorus

You can play it straight or play it from left field You got to play it just the way you feel Come on boys and play it again Play it on Picasso's mandolin

Well it's colorin' books and drinkin' wine It hard to stay between the lines Ain no rule if you don't break it Ain no chance if you don't take it He said the damndest thing he ever heard Was tryin' to learn to sing from a mockingbird

Chorus

Picasso said before he died There one more paintin' I'd like to try The doctor held his breath and then Picasso nailed a mandolin He born in Spain and died in France He was not scared of baggy pants

Chorus