

Dancing in the Street

Martha and the Vandellas, 1964. Ukulele arrangement Bob Guz, 2025

INTRO: *4 beats per box*

F	G	F	G
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F	G	F	G
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VERSE 1: *See Note 3 on page 5 for details on the Backing Vocal options*

[F] Callin' out a— [G]round the world
Are you [F] ready for a brand new [G] beat?
[F] Summer's here and the [G] time is right
For [F] dancin' in the [G] street

They're dancin' in Chi— [F]cago [*Dancin' in the [G] street*]
Down in [F] New Orleans [*Dancin' in the [G] street*]
In New York [F] City [*Dancin' in the [G] street*]

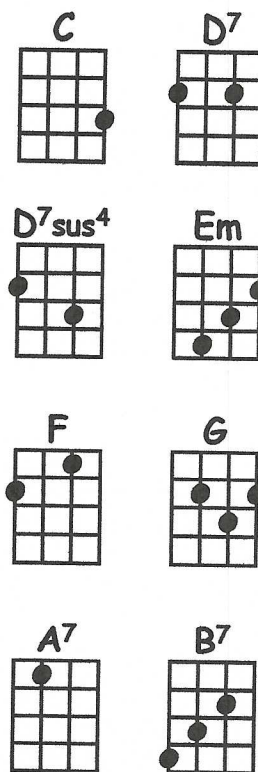
CHORUS 1

All we need is [C] music, sweet [C] music
There'll be [C] music ev'ry— [C]where
There'll be [F] swingin', swayin' and [G] records playin'
[F] Dancin' in the [G] street

BRIDGE 1

[B7] ♪ It doesn't matter [B7] what you wear
Just as [Em] long as you are [Em] there
So come on, [A7] ev'ry guy, [A7] grab a girl
[D7sus4] Ev'rywhere a— [D7]round the world
They'll be [F] dancin' [*Dancin' in the [G] street*]
Dancin' in the [F] street [*Dancin' in the [G] street*]

CHORDS



VERSE 2

This is an [F] invitation a– [G]cross the nation
A [F] chance for folks to [G] meet
There'll be [F] laughin', singin', and [G] music swingin'
[F] Dancin' in the [G] street

Philadelphia, P [F]A [*Dancin' in the [G] street*]
Baltimore and D. [F]C. now [*Dancin' in the [G] street*]
Can't forget the Motor [F] City [*Dancin' in the [G] street*]

CHORUS 2

All we need is [C] music, sweet [C] music
There'll be [C] music ev'ry– [C]where
There'll be [F] swingin', swayin' and [G] records playin'
[F] Dancin' in the [G] street

BRIDGE 2

[B7] ♪ It doesn't matter [B7] what you wear
Just as [Em] long as you are [Em] there
So come on, [A7] ev'ry guy, [A7] grab a girl
[D7sus4] Ev'rywhere a– [*hold: D7*]round the world

VERSE 3 (CLAP VERSE)

They'll be dancin' [*Dancin' in the street*]
Dancin' in the street [*Dancin' in the street*]
Over in L.A., ♪ every day
They're dancin' in the street [*Dancin' in the street*]
They form a big strong line, ♪ and get in time
They're dancin' in the street [*Dancin' in the street*]
In Austin, Texas too, ♪ me and you,
We're dancin' in the street [*Dancin' in the street*]

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CHORUS 3

All we need is [*strum*: C] music, sweet [C] music
There'll be [C] music ev'ry- [C]where
There'll be [F] swingin', swayin' and [G] records playin'
[F] Dancin' in the [G] street

ENDING

There'll be [F] swingin', swayin' and [G] records playin'
[F] Dancin' in the [G] street

They'll be [F] dancin' [*Dancin' in the [G] street*]
Dancin' in the [F] street [*Dancin' in the [G] street*]

They'll be [F] dancin' [*Dancin' in the [G] street*]
Dancin' in the [F] street [*Dancin' in the [G] street*]

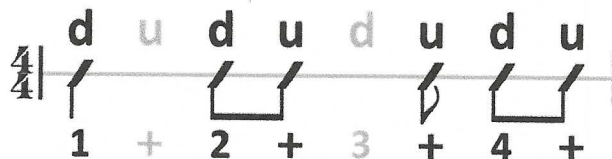
They'll be [F] dancin' [*Dancin' in the [G] street*]
Dancin' in the [F] street [*Dancin' in the [*stop*: G] street*]

END

Notes & Tips

1. Strum Pattern

This 4-beat "island" strum pattern is used throughout the song.



For those who prefer, playing a single strum on the first beat of each chord can be used as a simplified strum throughout the song.