

LITTLE GLORIA SCENE

working, sit around...an OLD MAN sits and fans himself in a chair)

OLD MAN (MAN 8)
Glorita! Regálanos una canción.

LITTLE GLORIA
I have to do the washing.

OLD MAN (MAN 8)
It's a grey day here in Miami. Bring back the sun. Sing. A güangüanco!

LITTLE GLORIA
I can't. I have to--

OLD MAN (MAN 8)
(singing insistently)
BA-LA-LA-LA-LA-LA-LA-LA-LA
LA-LA-LA-LA-LA-LA-LA-LA

(LITTLE GLORIA can't resist)

LITTLE GLORIA
JOYFUL MUSIC FOR THE WORLD
FROM MY HOME IT'S CONTRIBUTION
AND WHEREVER IT BEGAN
IT HAS SPREAD FROM HAND TO HAND
TO START A RHYTHM REVOLUTION

(seemingly at once GLORIA'S MOTHER, her grandmother CONSUELO and two other women, SONIA and AUGUSTINA flood the stage, all carrying laundry and other bags of stuff...over the following they keep busy sorting change, making lists, etc.)

OLD MAN (MAN 8)
WA-LA-LA-LA
WA-LA-LA-LA
WA-LA-LA-LA

LITTLE GLORIA
JOYFUL MUSIC FOR THE WORLD

START

GLORIA FAJARDO

(interrupting)
What are you doing?

LITTLE GLORIA

I was just...

GLORIA FAJARDO

There's no time for singing right now.

CONSUELO

(kissing GLORIA's head)

[REDACTED]

LITTLE GLORIA

[REDACTED]

GLORIA FAJARDO

Where's your sister?

LITTLE GLORIA

Taking a nap.

SONIA

[REDACTED]

CONSUELO

[REDACTED]

GLORIA FAJARDO

Did you give her lunch?

LITTLE GLORIA

Yes.

SONIA

[REDACTED]

CONSUELO

[REDACTED]

GLORIA FAJARDO

And your homework?

LITTLE GLORIA

Finished.

SONIA

[REDACTED]

AUGUSTINA
Pero, ay coño! Enough with the detergent! They say they have enough, they have enough. Stop talking about detergent! Stop saying detergent!!!
(they all look at AUGUSTINA)
I'm hungry.
(a beat...music back in)
GLORIA FAJARDO
¡Vámanos!
CONSUELO
Gloria, Belen wants to know if she can come with us to the supermarket.
GLORIA FAJARDO
Tell her we don't have enough room in the car. Tell her...
CONSUELO
She won't be able to wait.
GLORIA FAJARDO
Listen. Tell her to make a list. We'll bring back whatever she needs. Go ahead.
(CONSUELO crosses to BELEN)

GLORIA FAJARDO (CONT'D)
Glorita, wash those in the big sink. Use the bleach but not too much.

LITTLE GLORIA
Okay.

GLORIA FAJARDO
And don't let your sister sleep too long; we'll never get her to bed tonight.

LITTLE GLORIA
Yes, Mamí.

GLORIA FAJARDO
(kisses LITTLE GLORIA's forehead)
That's my girl.

STOP

LITTLE GLORIA
SONG CUT

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Quando Salí De Cuba (When I Left Cuba)

(Little Gloria)

(20 October 2015)

GLORIA (V.O.): "Are you ready to party? Donde esta mi gente?"

♩ = 109

Simple Piano

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A LITTLE GLORIA:

4 5 6 7

Al-guien me_es- tá_es- pe-ran - do, _me_es tá-a- guar-dan - do que vuel- va_a- quí ___

8 9 10 11

D D D#

Cuan-do sa- lí de Cu - ba, de- jé mi vi - da de- jé mi_a- mor. ___

12 13 14 15

E⁹ A E⁷ A A⁷

B
Cuan-do sa- lí de ___ Cu - ba, de-jé_en-ter- ra - do mi co - ra - zón ___

16 17 18 19

D E A E⁷ A