

I'm Happy Just to Dance with You  
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CAST:

Liz (female) 18, all-around-decent high school senior, best friends with Maura (or was)  
Maura (female) 18, best friends with Liz

PLACE: High School Gym or similar

TIME: Evening, High School Prom

SYNOPSIS: LIZ and MAURA have been best friends for years ... until...

(LIGHTS UP ON LIZ by punch bowl or something similar. MAURA approaches her.)

MAURA

Wanna dance?

LIZ

I didn't know you'd be here.

MAURA

Why not? I want to experience all the same high school rites of passages as anyone else. (Beat.)  
Been a few weeks.

LIZ

Yeah. Sorry. All these senior, end-of-year activities have kept me pretty busy. (Beat.) How are you?

MAURA

Not as busy. (Beat.) Where's Johnny?

LIZ

Dancing with Susie.

MAURA

Jealous?

LIZ

Nah. They've been best buddies forever. (Beat.) So, who are you with?

MAURA

Rick. He was at loose ends like me so we thought we'd check out this "prom" thing.

LIZ

He's not really your type.

MAURA

Not remotely. (Beat.) What can I say? I thought you knew.

LIZ

I didn't.

MAURA

We've been friends for what? Twelve years/

LIZ

/Thirteen.

MAURA

Oh yeah. Kindergarten. Thought you would have figured it out.

LIZ

I can be dense.

MAURA

I should have known that about you. So ... do you wanna dance?

LIZ

I'm still straight.

MAURA

And I'm still gay. Relax. I only want to dance with you.

(MAURA holds out her hand. LIZ takes it and THEY head to the dance floor.)

MAURA

Liz? I like you but you're not really my type.

(LIZ laughs and MAURA joins in as they start to dance.)

END OF PLAY