

## All I'm Sayin'

Can't I be free to be me?

That's all I'm saying-  
not asking for much  
as such,

just my self.

But wait, what am I saying-  
that I'm only free  
to be me

when someone else says so?

And they don't even know this?

How can it be-  
that they don't even see  
what I'm saying

until I say it? The silence rules-

Until I stand for myself, and discover  
with surprise  
that it was only in my mind  
that anyone who mattered really minded.

Huh. Go figure! Now I think I'm free.

Says who?

Says me.