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Now that the darkness of winter is over, the light of spring is entering my studio. Sun rays showing dust on my paintings. I can see the colors clearly now and feel like painting again. Fresh greens are replacing the greyish browns of nature. From the inside it looks sunny but once you are outside you feel the cold wind and start to look for your ice cap. It makes you longing for the real warmth of summer.

I just found a inspiring video clip on YouTube underlining this feeling

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Ie1yt_cJAM

The two and a half minutes of amateur images show Madelein Peroux performing near a park in Paris on a hot lazy day in July. The black and white of the movie, the old fashioned hats and clothing, as well as her Billie Holiday like voice brings you in an old time mood. But it is only 17 years ago, and the girl is just 17. At that time she is still completely unknown. At the age of fifteen this American girl became inspired by the street musicians of Paris and started busking in the streets of Quartier Latin. In the video some people are quietly waiting and listening, most are passing. Somebody is taking photographs not realizing that Madeleine Peroux will be famous years later. Playing with Lost Wandering and Blues Band (two guitars, a trumpet and a one-string bass) Madeleine sings the song from the 1930s " *Getting some fun out of life*". This sounds like a good plan for the new season.