

## *1. Styles and Grooves– Pop/Rock*

The Pop/Rock groove will be the easiest for the keyboard players. In this style, we really only have to worry about doing some voice leading for the triads will be using. The rest of the band and guitar have more of the main parts. Depending upon the tune we want to lay down a harmonic pad for the band to play over top of. Now obviously if you are playing a Billy Joel or Elton John tune you are going to have the majority of the tune.

When playing rock tunes solo it becomes a little more difficult because you don't have drums to give you that rock groove. Even though it technically can be done I do not recommend it. You'll see this come up a lot during weddings when you get requests for certain songs. Personally, I try to stay away from playing certain rock or pop songs cause most of the time they need a singer. Just playing the melody on the piano doesn't sound all that great. If you are with a band just lay down the chords with some rhythms and you'll be solid.