

Shooting Stars

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Jean Carlos Rodriguez, baritone Constantine Grame, piano Recorded at the home of Dr. Zena Lansky in Florida Sponsored by Middy Larson

¡Ay mi morena, morena clara! from *Luisa Fernanda* by Federico Moreno Torroba Non t'amo più by Francesco Paolo Tosti O du, mein holder Abendstern from *Tannhäuser* by Richard Wagner

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Kathleen Buccleugh, soprano
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Tiana Sorenson, soprano
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Le Rossignol et la Rose by Camille Saint-Saëns Perduta ho la pace by Giuseppe Verdi Erlkönig by Franz Schubert

Tonight's performances were edited by Patrick Joel Martin.

Translations for Mr. Rodriguez ¡Ay mi morena, morena clara! Welcome the vareadores.

Since you are happy and singing, I want to sing with you.
Sing my loves,

because I fell in love.

In a pasture of Extremadura,

I have a blanquina and chicuca casina. My poor casina looks like a palace, Well, keep a girl like an infantina. It fills me with joy to know that the girl, he waits for me and waits for me counting the hours; to think that they treat her like a queen, and be in my meadows the king who waits for her. Oh my brunette, light brunette! Oh my brunette, what a pleasure it is to look at you! All my life my companion, my whole life will be my brunette.

Through the holm oaks of the pasture,

the vareadores go to their work. Through the holm oaks I go on my horse,

to see the girl who has fallen in love with me.

It will be, God willing, the mistress and mistress,

of my oak groves and of my person.

And of the shepherds of the sweet bagpipes,

that will delight the sovereign.
Oh my brunette, light brunette!
Oh my brunette, what a pleasure it is to look at you!
All my life my companion, my whole life will be my brunette.
All my life my companion, all my life, she will be my brunette

Non t'amo più

Do you still remember the day that we met;
Do you still remember your promises?
Crazy from love I followed you, we were enamored with each other
And I dreamed next to you, crazy from love.

I dreamed, happily, of caresses and kisses

A chain fading away into the sky: But your words were misleading, Because your soul is made of ice. Do you still remember?

Now my faith, my immense desire; My dream of love isn't you anymore:
I don't search for your kisses, I don't think of you.
I dream of another ideal; I don't love you anymore.
In the dear days that we spent together
I scattered flowers at your feet You were the only hope of my heart

You were the only thought in my mind

You watched me beg, turning pale You watched me cry before you Only to satisfy your desire, I Had given my blood and my faith. Do you still remember?

O du, mein holder Abendstern

Dusk covers the land like a premonition of death, Wraps the valley in her dark mantle;

The soul that longs for those heights Dreads to take its dark and awful flight.

Then you appear, O loveliest of stars, And shed your gentle light from afar; Your sweet glow cleaves the twilight gloom, And as a friend you show the way

And as a friend you show the way out of the valley.

O you, my fair evening star,

Gladly have I always greeted you: Greet her, from the depths of this heart,

Which has never betrayed her, Greet her, when she passes, When she soars above this mortal vale To become a holy angel there!

Translations for Ms. Buccleugh

Mandoline

The gallant serenaders and their fair listeners exchange sweet nothings beneath singing boughs.
Tirsis is there, Aminte is there, and tedious Clitandre too, and Damis who for many a cruel maid writes many a tender song. Their short silken doublets, their long trailing gowns, their elegance, their joy, and their soft blue shadows Whirl madly in the rapture of a grey and roseate moon, and the mandolin jangles on in the shivering breeze.

En sourdine

Calm in the twilight Cast by loft boughs, Let us steep our love In this deep quiet.

Let us mingle our souls, our hearts And our enraptured senses With the hazy languor Of arbutus and pine.

Half-close your eyes,
Fold your arms across your breast,
And from your heart now lulled to
rest
Banish forever all intent.

Let us both succumb To the gentle and lulling breeze That comes to ruffle at your feet The waves of russet grass.

And when, solemnly, evening Falls from the black oaks, That voice of our despair, The nightingale shall sing.

Green

Here are flowers, branches, fruit, and fronds,
And here too is my heart that beats just for you.
Do not tear it with your two white hands
And may the humble gift

please your lovely eyes.

I come all covered still with the dew Frozen to my brow by the morning breeze. Let my fatigue, finding rest at your feet, Dream of dear moments that will soothe it.

On your young breast let me cradle my head Still ringing with your recent kisses; After love's sweet tumult grant it peace, And let me sleep a while, since you rest.

Waldseligkeit

The woods begin to rustle and Night approaches the trees, as if it were listening happily for the right moment to caress them.

And under their branches Perduta ho la pace

My peace is gone, my heart is sore, I'll find it never and nevermore.

Without him here my grave is near, my world around is sadness bound.

My sorry head is all forlorn, my sorry soul to pieces torn.

It's only him I'm looking for, for him alone I tend my door.

His lofty walk, his noble sight, his smiling face, his glance's might, I am entirely alone; I am entirely myself, entirely yours!

O mio babbino caro

Oh my dear father,
I like him, he is very handsome.
I want to go to Porta Rossa
to buy the ring!
Yes, yes, I want to go there!
And if my love were in vain,
I would go to Ponte Vecchio
and throw myself in the Arno!
I am pining and I am tormented,
Oh God! I would want to die!
Daddy, have mercy, have mercy!

Letzte Rose des Sommers

'Tis the last rose of summer left blooming alone All her lovely companions are faded and gone No flower of her kindred, no rosebud is nigh

and his expressions' magic bliss, his touch of hand and, oh, his kiss!

My bosom presses toward his skin; oh, may I hold him and draw him in and may I kiss him as wants my heart, under his kisses to fall apart!

Erlkönig

Who rides so late through the night and wind? It is the father with his child. He has the boy in his arms; he holds him safely, he keeps him warm.

'My son, why do you hide your face in fear?'

To reflect back her blushes and give sigh for sigh

I'll not leave thee, thou lone one, to pine on the stem Since the lovely are sleeping, go sleep thou with them Thus kindly I scatter thy leaves o'er the bed Where thy mates of the garden lie scentless and dead

So soon may I follow when friendships decay
And from love's shining circle the gems drop away
When true hearts lie withered and fond ones are flown
Oh who would inhabit this bleak world alone?
This bleak world alone

Translations for Ms. Sorenson

'Father, can you not see the Erlking?
The Erlking with his crown and tail?'
'My son, it is a streak of mist.'

'Sweet child, come with me.
I'll play wonderful games with you.
Many a pretty flower
grows on the shore;
my mother has many
a golden robe.'

'Father, father, do you not hear what the Erlking softly promises me?'
'Calm, be calm, my child: the wind is rustling in the withered leaves.'

'Won't you come with me, my fine lad? My daughters shall wait upon you; my daughters lead the nightly dance, and will rock you, and dance, and sing you to sleep.'

'Father, father, can you not see Erlking's daughters there in the darkness?' 'My son, my son, I can see clearly: it is the old grey willows gleaming.' 'I love you, your fair form allures me, and if you don't come willingly, I'll use force.' 'Father, father, now he's seizing me! The Erlking has hurt me!' The father shudders, he rides swiftly, he holds the moaning child in his arms; with one last effort he reaches home; the child lay dead in his arms