

Third Year Recital, Recital I

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PROGRAMME

Sposa son disprezzata Antonio Lucio Vivaldi Bajazet, RV 703 (1678-1741)

Amorosi miei giorni Stefano Donaudy (1897-1925)

Lúa Descolorida Osvaldo Golijov (b.1960)

Einfache Lieder, Op.9 Erich Wolfgang Korngold
III. Das Ständchen (1897-1957)

IV. Liebesbrifchen

Drei Lieder, Op. 22

III. Welt ist stille Eingeschlafen

The Poet and the War (selections)

I. From here (b.1977)

Norbert Palej*

II. Sparrows

III. Dark Lullaby

This recital is in partial fulfillment of the Bachelor of Music Degree in Performance. Alannah Beauparlant is a student of Jean MacPhail.

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^{*}Fufills the Canadian repetoire requirement

Programme Texts and Translations

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Sposa son disprezzata

Sposa son disprezzata, fida son oltraggiata, cieli che feci mai?
E pur egl'è il mio cor il mio sposo, il mio amor, la mia speranza.
L'amo ma egl'è infedel spero ma egl'è crudel, morir mi lascierai?
O Dio manca il valor valor e la costanza.

Text by Agostino Piovene (1671-1721)

I am wife and I am scorned

I am wife and I am scorned,
I am faithful and I am outraged,
Heavens, what have I done?
And yet he is my heart,
My husband, my love,
My hope.
I love him, but he is unfaithful,
I hope, but he is cruel
will he let me die?
O God, valor is missing Valor and constancy.

English translation by Elfrieda Langemann O'Neill https://www.lieder.net/lieder/

Amorosi miei giorni

Amorosi miei giorni,
chi vi potrà mai più scordar,
or che di tutti i beni adorni,
date pace al mio core
e profumo ai pensieri?
Poter così, finchè la vita avanza,
non temer più gli affanni
d'una vita d'inganni,
sol con questa speranza:
che un suo sguardo sia tutto il mio splendor
e un suo sorriso sia tutto il mio tesoro!

Chi di me più beato, se accanto a sè così non ha un dolce e caro oggetto amato, sì che ancor non può dire di saper cos'è amore?
Ah, ch'io così, finchè la vita avanza, più non tema gli affanni d'una vita d'inganni, sol con questa speranza: che un suo sguardo sia tutto il mio splendor e un suo sorriso sia tutto il mio tesoro!

Text by Alberto Donaudy (1880-1941)

My amorous days

My amorous days,
Who could ever forget you,
Now that, adorned with all the blessings,
You give peace to my heart
And perfume to my thoughts?
To be able, so, as life advances,
To fear no longer the anxieties
Of a life of deceptions,
With this hope alone:
That one look of his may be all my
splendor
And one smile of his may be all my
treasure!

Who more blessed than I,
If he does not thus have beside him
A sweet and dear beloved object,
So that he cannot yet say
He knows what love is?
Ah, may I so, as life advances,
Fear no longer the anxieties
Of a life of deceptions,
With this hope alone:
That one look of his may be all my splendor
And one smile of his may be all my treasure!

English translation by Gretchen Armacost, O'Neill https://www.lieder.net/lieder/

Lúa descolorida

Lúa descolorida como cor de ouro pálido, vesme i eu non quixera me vises de tan alto. Ó espaso que recorres, lévame, caladiña, nun teu raio.

Astro das almas orfas lúa descolorida, lúa eu ben sei que n'alumas tristeza cal a miña. Vai contalo ó teu dono, e dille que me leve adonde habita.

Mais non lle contes nada, descolorida lúa, pois nin neste nin noutros mundos teréi fertuna.
Se sabes onde a morte ten a morada escura, dille que corpo e alma xuntamente me leve adonde non recorden nunca, nin no mundo en que estou nin nas alturas.

Text by Rosalia de Castro (1837-1885)

Moon colorless

Moon, colorless like the color of pale gold: You see me here and I wouldn't like you to see me from the heights above. Take me, silently, in your ray to the space of your journey.

Star of the orphan souls, Moon, colorless: I know that you don't illuminate sadness as sad as mine. Go and tell it to your master and tell him to take me to his place.

But don't tell him anything,
Moon, colorless,
because my fate won't change
here or in other worlds.
If you know where Death
has her dark mansion,
Tell her to take my body and soul together
To a place where I won't be remembered,
Neither in this world, nor in the heights
above.

English translation by Osvaldo Golijov

Das Ständchen

Auf die Dächer zwischen blassen Wolken scheint der Mond herfür, Ein Student dort auf den Gassen Singt vor seiner Liebsten Tür.

Und die Brunnen rauschen wieder Durch die stille Einsamkeit, Und es rauscht der wald vom Berge nieder, Wie in alter, schöner Zeit.

So in meinen jungen Tagen Hab ich manche Sommernacht Auch die Laute hier geschlagen Und manch lust'ges Lied erdacht.

Aber von der stillen Schwelle Trugen sie mein Lieb zur Ruh, Und du, fröhlicher Geselle, Singe, sing nur immer zu!

Text by Josehph von Eichendorff (1788-1857)

Serenade

From pallid clouds the moon
Looks out across the roofs,
There in the street a student sings
Before his sweetheart's door.

And again the fountains murmur In the silent loneliness, And the woods on the mountain Murmur, as in good old times.

Likewise in my young days,
Often on a summer's night
I too plucked my lute here,
And composed some merry songs.

But from that silent threshold My love's been taken to rest. And you, my blithe friend, Sing on, just sing on!

English translation by Richard Stokes, https://oxfordsong.org/

Liebesbriefchen

Fern von dir Denk' ich dein, Kindelein,

Einsam bin ich, Doch mir blieb Treue Lieb'.

Was ich denk', Bist nur, nur du Herzensruh.

Sehe stets Hold und licht, Sehe stets hold

Und licht dein Gesicht.

Und in mir Immerzu Tönest du.

Bist's allein, Die Welt Mir erhellt.

Ich bin dein, Liebchen fein, Denke mein!

Text by Elisabeth Honold (n.d)

Love letter

Far from you I think of you, Dear child.

I am lonely, But my love Has stayed true.

I think

Only of you, only you O peace of my heart.

I always see, Fair and bright, I always hold

And light your face.

And you sound Within me Always.

It is you alone
Who brightens
For me the world.

I am yours, My sweetest, Think of me!

English translation by Richard Stokes,

https://oxfordsong.org/

Welt ist stille eingeschlafen

Welt ist stille eingeschlafen, Ruht im Mondenschein Öffnen sich im Himmelshafen Augen, golden, rein, Gottes Geige singt jetzt leis' Liebste, denk' an Dich,

Wie im Traumboot geht die Reise, such' in Sternen Dich. Strahlen sel'ger Lieb erhellen Meines Herzens Raum. Zweisprach halten uns're Seelen, Küssen sich im Traum.

Text by Karl Kobald (1876-1957)

When the World has gone to sleep

When the world has gone to sleep, Resting in the moon-light And in heaven's harbour Eyes, pure and golden open, God's violin sings sweetly And my love, I think of you

Sailing in a boat of dreams,
I seek you in the stars,
Beams of blissful love light up
The recesses of my heart.
Our souls in deep communion kiss,
In my dream ... in my dream.

English translation by Uri Liebrecht https://oxfordsong.org/

From here...

From here: the sky is huge like the sky of noon, which you have not crossed, will not cross.

After the volleys of day, set out as a target for the stars you'll perish like cities left behind on the way. Overlooked, pierced through and through by the bullets of all wars you'll die locked by a tiny echo like the echo of someone's mouth,

Sparrows

Day of sparrows and brightness! inside the little birds the world is sustained in love, unworried mercy.

diminished by a room in the attic.

(...)

Earth, by our hands murdered, through your birds' crowd, pure, pray for us!

Dark Lullaby

(...)

Sleep,

all is quiet.

Night is growing and rain hits the windows.

The wind, blind like me, before our

home kneels down.

Who took that time away from us, free

from fear - my love?

Original Polish texts by Krzysztof Kamil Baczynski (1921-1944)

English translations by Norbert Palej