"Care selve," Atalanta	"Dear woods," Atalanta
George Frideric Handel (1685-1759) Librettist Unknown	Translation by Bard Suverkrop
Care selve, ombre beate, vengo in trarccia del mio cor!	Dear woods, shadows blessed, I come in search of my beloved!
Vaga luna, che ineargenti Vincenzo Bellini (1801-1835) Anonymous Poet	Lovely moon, that covers with silver Translation by Bard Suverkrop
Vaga luna, che inargenti queste rive e questi fiori ed inspiri agli elementi il linguaggio dell'amor; testimonio or sei tu sola del mio fervido desir, ed a lei che m'innamora conta i palpate e i sospir.	Lovely moon, that covers with silver the shores and flowers and inspire everything to speak of love; you are the sole witness of my fervent desire, and can to her who I love tell of my pain and sighs.
Dille pur che lontananza il mio duol non può lenir, che se nutro una speranza, ella è sol nell'avvenir. Dille pur che giorno e sera conto l'ore del dolor, che una speme lusinghiera mi conforta nell'amor.	Tell her that being so far away will not ease my grief, and that if I nourish any hope, it can only be in the future. Tell her that day and night I count the sorrowful hours, that the one enticing hope of her love comforts me.
Per pietà, bell'idol mio	Have mercy, my beloved
Text by Pietro Metastasio	Translation by Bard Suverkrop
Per pietà, bell'idol mio, non mi dir ch'io sono ingranto; infelice e sventurato abbastanza il Ciel mi fa.	Have mercy, my beloved, and do not tell me that I am ungrateful; Heaven has made me unhappy and unfortunate enough.

Se fedele a te son io, se mi struggo ai
tuoi bei lumi, sallo amor, lo sanno i
Numi il mio core, il tuo lo sa.

That I am faithful to you, that I burn under the gaze of your beautiful eyes, knows Cupid, the gods, my heart and your heart

# Dolente imagine di Fille mia

**Anonymous Poet** 

**Sad image of my Phyllis** Translation by Bard Suverkrop

Dolente imagine di Fille mia, perché si squallida mi siedi accanto? Che più desideri? Dirotto pianto io sul tuol cenere versai finor.

Sad image of my Phyllis, why do you sit next to me in such misery? What more do you desire? I have poured uncontrollable tears upon your ashes up to now.

Temi che immemore de' sacri giuri io possa accendermi ad altra face? Ombra di Fillide, riposa in pace; è inestinguibile l'antico ardor.

Do you fear that, forgetting my sacred vows, I could become enflamed for another? Ghost of Phyllis, rest in peace; my ardor of old is inextinguishable.

## Ich stand in dunklen Träumen

Clara Schumann (1819-1896) Text by Heinrich Heine I stood Darkly Dreaming

Translation by Richard Stokes, *The Book of Lieder* 

Ich stand in dunklen Träumen Und starrte ihr Bildnis an, Und das geliebte Antlitz Heimlich zu leben began.

I stood darkly dreaming And stared at her picture, And that beloved face Sprang mysteriously to life.

Um ihre Lippen zog sich Ein Lächeln wunderbar, Und wie von Wehmutstränen Erglänzte ihr Augenpaar.

About her lips
A wonderous smile played,
And as with sad tears,
Her eyes gleamed.

Auch meine Tränen flossen	And my tears flowed
Mir von den Wangen herab –	Down my cheeks,
Und ach, ich kann's nicht glauben,	And ah, I cannot believe
Dass ich dich verloren hab!	That I have lost you!
Dass ich dich verloren hab:	That I have lost you:
Sie liebten sich Beide	They Loved One Another
Text by Heinrich Heine	Translation by Richard Stokes, The
	Book of Lieder
Sie liebten sich beide, coch keener	They loved one another, but neither
Wollt' es dem andern gestehn;	Wished to tell the other;
Sie sahen sich an so feindlich,	They gave each other such hostile
Und wollten vor Liebe vergehn.	looks,
	Yet nearly died of love.
Sie trennten sich endlich und sah'n	In the end they parted and saw
sich	Each other but rarely in dreams.
Nur noch zuweilen im Traum;	They died so long ago
Sie waren längst gestorben	And hardly knew it themselves.
Und wussten es selber kaum.	
Der Mond kommt still gegangen	The moon rises silently
Text by Emmanuel Geibel	Translation by Richard Stokes, The
	Book of Lieder
Der Mond kommt still gegangen	The moon rises silently
Mit seinem gold'nen Schein.	With its golden glow.
Da schläft in holdem Prangen	The weary earth then falls asleep
Die müde Erde eien.	In beauty and splendour.
Und auf den Lüften schwanken	Many thousand loving thoughts
Aus manchem treuen Sinn	From many faithful minds
Viel tausend Liebesgedanken	Sway on the breezes
Über die Schläfer hin.	Over those who slumber.

Und drunten im Tale, da funkeln Die Fenster von Liebchens Haus; Ich aber blicke im Dunklen Still in die Welt hinaus. And down in the valley
The windows sparkle of my beloved's house;
But I in the darkness gaze
Silently out into the world.

#### **A Chloris**

Reynaldo Hahn (1874-1947) Text by Théophile de Viau

Si'l est vrai, Chloris, que tu m'aimes, Mais j'entends, que tu m'aimes bien, Je ne crois point que les rois mêmes Aient un Bonheur pareil au mien. Que la mort serait importune De venir changer ma fortune A la félicité des cieux! Tout ce qu'on dit de l'ambroisie Ne touche point ma fantasie Au prix des graces de tes yeux.

### **To Chloris**

Translation by Christopher Goldsack

If it is true, Chloris, that you love me, but I mean that you really love me, I do not believe that even the kings have a happiness equal to mine. How obtrusive death would be, to come and exchange my fortune for the blessing of the Gods; all that is said of ambrosia does not touch my imagination at the expense of the charms of your eyes.

#### Si mes vers avaient des ailes

Reynaldo Hahn (1874-1947) Text by Victor Hugo

Mes vers fuiraient, doux et frêles, Vers votre jardin si beau, Si mes vers avaient des ailes, Comme l'oiseau

Ils voleraient, étincelles, Vers votre foyer qui rit, Si mes vers avaient des ailes, Comme l'esprit.

# If my verses had wings

Translation by Christopher Goldsack

My verses would flee, soft and delicate, towards your garden, so lovely, if my verses had wings, wings like the bird.

They would fly, like sparks, towards your hearth which laughs, if my verses had wings, wings like the spirit.

Près de vous, purs et fidèles, Ils accourraient nuit et jour, Si mes vers avaient des ailes, Comme l'amour.	Close to you, pure and faithful, they would hasten, night and day, if my verses had wings, wings like love.
Ouvre ton cœur Georges Bizet (1838-1875) Text by Louis Delâtre	Open your heart Translation by Richard Stokes, A French Song Companion
La marguerite a fermé sa corelle, L'ombre a fermé les yeux du jour. Belle, me tiendras-tu parole? Ouvre ton cœur à mon amour.	The daisy has closed its petals, Darkness has closed the eyes of day, Will you, fair one, be true to your word? Open your heart to my love.
Ouvre ton cœur, ô jeune ange, à ma flamme, Qu'un rêve charme ton sommeil. Je veux reprendre mon âme, Comme une fleur s'ouvre au soleil!	Open your heart to my ardour, young angel, That a dream may charm your sleep — I wish to recover my soul, As a flower unfolds to the sun!
"Padre, germani, addio," <i>Idomeneo</i> Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756- 1792) Libretto by Giambattista Varesco	"Father, brothers, farewell," Idomeneo Translation by Nico Castel
Recitativo: Quanti mi siete intorno carnefici spietati? orsù sbranate vendetta, gelosia, odio ed amore, sbranate si, quest'infelice core!	Recitative: How many you are around me merciless butchers? Then up, tear to pieces vengeance, jealousy, hate and love, tear to pieces, yes, this unhappy heart!
Aria: Padre, germani, addio! Voi foste, io vi perdei.	Aria: Father, brothers, farewell! You are no more, I have lost you.

Grecia, cagion tu sei.

Greece, you are the cause of all this

E un Greco adorerò? D'ingrata al sangue mio So, che la colpa avrei: Ma quell sembiante, oh Dei! Odiare ancor non so.	And yet I shall love a Greek? I know I shall be guilty of abandoning my own kind But I still cannot, oh gods, hate that face of Idamante.
The Last Rose of Summer Benjamin Britten (1913-1976) Text by Thomas Moore	
'Tis the last rose of summer left blooming alone; All her lovely companions are faded away and gone; No flow'r of her kindred, no rosebud is nigh To reflect back her blushes, or give sigh for sigh. So soon may I follow, when friendships decay, And from love's shining circle the gems drop away! When true hearts lie wither'd, and fond ones are flown, Oh! who would inhabit this bleak world alone?	
The Salley Gardens Text by William Butler Yeats	
Down by the salley gardens my love and I did meet; She passed the salley gardens with little snow-white feet. She bid me take love easy, as the leaves grow on the tree;	

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But I, being young and foolish, with	
her would not agree.	
In a field by the river my love and I did	
stand,	
And on my leaning shoulder she laid	
her snow-white hand.	
She bid me take life easy, as the grass	
grows on the weirs;	
But I was young and foolish, and now	
am full of tears.	
Hold fast to dreams	
Florence Price (1887-1953)	
Text by Langston Hughes	
Hold fast to dreams	
For if dreams die	
Life is a broken-winged bird	
That cannot fly.	
Hall Control to the same	
Hold fast to dreams	
For when dreams go	
Life is a barren field	
Frozen with snow.	
Beautiful Dreamer	
Stephen Florence (1826-1864)	
Stephen Horence (1020-1004)	
Beautiful Dreamer, wake unto me,	
Starlight and dewdrops are waiting for	
thee;	
Sounds of the rude world heard in the	
day,	
Lull'd by the moonlight have all pass'd	
away!	
Beautiful dreamer, queen of my song,	
List while I woo thee with soft melody;	
List willie I woo trice with soft includy,	

Gone are the cares of life's busy throng	
I Dearwitth of almost according to the control of t	
Beautiful dreamer, awake unto me!	
Beautiful dreamer, awake unto me!	
Beautiful dreamer, out on the sea,	
Mermaids are chaunting the wild	
lorelie;	
Over the streamlet vapors are borne,	
Waiting to fade at the bright coming	
morn.	
Beautiful dreamer, beam on my heart,	
E'en as the morn on the streamlet and	
sea;	
Then will all clouds of sorrow depart,	
Beautiful dreamer, awake unto me!	
Beautiful dreamer, awake unto me!	
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I. The Year's at the Spring	
Amy Beach (1867-1944)	
Text by Robert Browning	
The wear's at the spring	
The year's at the spring,	
And day's at the morn;	
Morning's at seven;	
The hill-side's dew-pearl'd;	
The lark's on the wing;	
The snail's on the torn; God's in His heaven—	
All's right with the world!	
II. Ah, Love, but a day	
Ah, Love, but a day,	
And the world has changed!	
The sun's away,	
And the bird estranged;	

The wind has dropped,	
And the sky's deranged;	
Summer has stopped.	
Look in my eyes!	
Wilt thou change too?	
Should I fear surprise?	
Shall I find aught new	
In the old and dear,	
In the good and true,	
With the changing year?	
III. I Send My Heart Up To Thee	
I send my heart up to thee, all my	
heart	
In this my singing,	
For the stars help me, and the sea, and	
the sea bears part;	
The very night is clinging	
Closer to Venice' streets to leave on	
space	
Above me, whence thy face	
May light my joyous heart to thee, to	
thee its dwelling place.	
Del cabella mas quitil	Cuome voca delicate beix
Del cabello mas sutil	From your delicate hair
Fernando Obradors (1897-1945)	Translation by Suzanne Rhodes
Anonymous Poet	Draayer
Del cabello más sutil	From your delicate hair
Que tienes en tu trenzado	That you have in your braid,
He de hacer una cadena	I want to make a chain
Para traerte a mi lado.	In order to bring you to my side.
Una alcarraza en tu casa,	A pitcher in your house,
Chiquilla, quisiera ser,	Little girl, I would like to be,
emquina, quisicia sci,	Little Birr, i would like to be,

Para besarte en la boca,	So that I can kiss you on the mouth,
Cuando fueras a beber	Whenever you took a drink.
Con amores, la mi madre	With love, mother
Text by Juan de Anchieta	Translation by Suzanne Rhodes
	Draayer
Con amores, la mi madre,	With love, mother,
Con amores me dormí;	With love, I slept;
Así dormida soñaba	While asleep, I dreamed
Lo que el corazón velaba,	Of what my heart concealed,
Que el amor me consolaba	That love consoled me
Con más bien que merecí.	With more than I deserved.
Adormecióme el favor	I fell asleep with the kindness
Que amor me dió con amor;	That love gave to me, with love;
Dió Descanso a mi dolor	It tave rest to my pain
La fe con que le serví	The faith with which I served you.
Con amores, la mi madre,	With love, mother,
Con amores me dormí!	With love, I slept!
El vito	The vito
Anonymous Poet	Translation by Suzanne Rhodes
·	Draayer
Una vieja vale un real	An old woman is worth a real
Y una muchacha dos cuartos,	And a girl two cuartos,
Pero como soy tan pobre	And I, since I am so poor
Me voy a lo más barato.	I am the least expensive of all.
Con el vito, vito vito,	With the vito, vito,
Con el vito, vito, va.	With the vito, vito, one goes.
No me haga 'usté' cosquillas,	Don't tickle me, you,
Que me pongo 'colorá.'	Or I will blush.
No me mires jay! Chiquilla	Don't look at me, ah, girl,
Que me voy desmoraná.	For I am going to fall apart
Que me voy desmoraná.	For I am going to fall apart