

LINCOLN CENTER PRESENTS



THE OTHER SIDE OF THE STARS

ROLANDO VILLAZÓN AND XAVIER DE MAISTRE'S SERENATA LATINA

**PRESENTED IN COLLABORATION
WITH THE METROPOLITAN OPERA**

DECEMBER 18 at 7:30 PM

ALICE TULLY HALL

PROGRAM

Alberto GINASTERA

Zamba

Triste

Arrorro

Chacarera

Carlos GUASTAVINO

Bailecito (Harp solo)

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Violetas

Se equivocó la paloma

La rosa y el sauce

Manuel DE FALLA

Spanish Dance (La Vida Breve) (Harp solo)

Eduardo SANCHEZ DE FUENTES

Deseo

Yvette SOUVIRON

Al banco solitario

Luis Antonio CALVO

Gitana

INTERMISSION

Antonio ESTÉVEZ

Arrunango

Ariel RAMIREZ/ Felix LUNA

Alfonsina y el mar

Alberto NEPOMUCENO

Coração triste

From CUSCO, Peru (Anonymous transc. for harp: Grandjany, Marcel

Georges Lucien)

Spanish Dance (Harp solo)

Silvio RODRIGUEZ

En estos días

Julian AGUIRRE

Caminito

Zequinha de ABREU

Tico-Tico no Fubá (Harp solo)

Mexican Folksong

La Llorona

Rubén FUENTES GASSON

La Bikina

ALBERTO GINASTERA

5 canciones populares argentinas op. 10

3. Zamba

Hasta las piedras del cerro
Y las arenas del mar
Me dicen que no te quiera
Y no te puedo olvidar.
Si el corazón me ha robado
El tuyo me lo has de dar
El que lleva cosa ajena
Con lo suyo ha de pagar. ¡Ay!

2. Triste

¡Ah! Debajo de un limón verde
Donde el agua no corría
Entregué mi corazón
A quien no lo merecía. ¡Ah!
Triste es el día sin sol
Triste es la noche sin luna
Pero más triste es querer
Sin esperanza ninguna. ¡Ah!

1. Chacarera

A mí me gustan las ñatas
Y una ñata me ha tocado
Ñato será el casamiento
Y más ñato el resultado.
Cuando canto chacareras
Me dan ganas de llorar
Porque se me representa
Catamarca y Tucumán.

5 Argentinian Folk Songs

3. Zamba*

Even the stones on the hillside
And the grains of sand in the sea
Tell me not to fall in love with you
But I can't forget you.
Since you've stolen my heart
You have to give me yours:
Those who take what isn't theirs
Have to return it in kind. Ah!

2. Triste*

Ah! Underneath a lime tree,
Where the stream ran dry,
I gave my heart away
To one who didn't deserve it. Ah!
Sad is the day with no sun,
Sad is the night with no moon,
But it's sadder still to love
With no hope at all. Ah!

1. Chacarera*

I like snub-nosed girls
And I've found the perfect one for me.
We'll have a snub-nosed wedding
And even more snub-nosed babies.
Whenever I sing chacareras
They make me want to cry
Because they take me back to
Catamarca and Tucumán.

* The Zamba, Triste and Chacarera are Argentinian folk genres

CARLOS GUASTAVINO

Violetas

Leves, mojadas, melodiosas,
Su oscura luz morada insinuándose
Tal perla vegetal tras verdes valvas,
Son un grito de marzo, un sortilegio
De alas nacientes por el aire tibio.

Frágiles, fieles, sonrían quedamente
Con muda excitación, tal la sonrisa
Que brota desde un fresco labio
humano. Mas su forma graciosa
nunca engaña:
Nada prometen que después
traicionen.

Al marchar victoriosas a la muerte
Sostienen un instante, ellas tan
frágiles,
El tiempo entre sus pétalos.
Así su instante alcanza,
Norma para lo efímero que es bello,
A ser vivo embeleso en la memoria.

Violets

Delicate, dew-clad, dulcet,
Their dark purple light glimpsed
Like a botanical pearl amid green
sepals,
They are a cry of March, a magic spell
Of wings unfurling in the warm air.

Fragile, faithful, they smile gently
With silent excitement, like the smile
That hovers on youthful human lips.
But their allure is never deceptive:
They make no promises that they
then fail to keep.

As they march, victorious, towards
death, These flowers, so fragile, briefly
suspend Time within their petals.
Thus their moment comes –
Normal for that ephemeral thing that
is beauty –
To be a living enchantment in our
memory.

CARLOS GUASTAVINO

La rosa y el sauce

La rosa se iba abriendo abrazada
al sauce, ¡El árbol apasionado la
amaba tanto!
Pero una niña coqueta se la ha
robado
Y el sauce desconsolado la está
llorando. ¡Ah!

The Rose and the Willow

Wrapped around the willow, the rose
came into bloom.
The passionate tree loved it so much!
But a pretty young girl stole it for
herself.
And the heartbroken willow weeps for
its loss. Ah!

EDUARDO SÁNCHEZ DE FUENTES

Deseo

Tierra del sol donde nació mi dulce
amor. Oye el cantar que al viento da
mi eterno afán. ¡Quién pudiera ser
brisa sutil!
Para besarla mil veces y mil luego
dichoso morir!

Desire

Sunlit land where my sweet love was
born, Hear the song that gives my
eternal love to the wind.
If only I could be that gentle breeze!
To kiss her a thousand times and a
thousand more.
And then die happy!

YVETTE SOUVIRON

ESP

Al banco solitario del parque

En que por vez primera,
Yo te besé en la boca,
A la luz del alba
Anoche regresé a soñar.
Soñé que te besaba
Tus ojos y tu boca
Una vez, otra vez y otra
Hasta que tú viniste a mí,
Diciéndome: Te quiero.

The Lonely Bench

Last night I dreamt again
Of the lonely park bench
Where I kissed your lips
For the first time
In the early morning light.
I dreamt that I was kissing
Your eyes and your lips
Once, then again and again
Until you came to me,
Saying: I love you.

EN

LUIS ANTONIO CALVO

ESP

Gitana

Al través de la reja de tu ventana
Dirijo a ti mis quejas, bella gitana.
Despierta, pues, señora, tal es mi
empeño,
El ser que por ti llora trunca tu
sueño.

Para decirte cosas que tú no sabes;
Para obsequiarte rosas puras y
suaves; Nacidas estas flores en
campo yermo,
Ellas son los amores de un pobre
enfermo.

Que sueña con tus ojos abrasadores
Y con tus labios rojos torturadores.
Pero sigue soñando, gitana
hermosa, Mientras estás soñando,
duerme, reposa.

Gypsy Girl

Pretty gypsy girl, the sad song I sing
Drifts through the bars on your
window.
Wake up, my lady, such is my
intention,
One who weeps for you is interrupting
your dreams.

To tell you things you don't know;
To offer you pure, velvety roses;
Flowers that grew on a wasteland,
They represent the love of a poor
tormented man,

One who dreams of your blazing eyes
And the red lips that torture him.
Keep dreaming, pretty gypsy girl,
And as you dream, sleep peacefully.

EN

ANTONIO ESTÉVEZ

ESP

Arrunango

Arrunango, arrunango... Así dice
la madre cantando. La palabra de
música tiene un sabor indígena
De guarura, de agua de jagüey y
de pájaro. El niño es un ovillo de
lana candorosa; La canción es
la rueca que lo hila en la noche.
Arrunango, arrunango... Que mi niño
se duerme; Sigiloso en la sombra
viene a tientas el sueño. Arrunango,
arrunango...

Arrunango

Arrunango, arrunango... Thus
sings the mother. The music word
possesses an indigenous taste Of
snails, of pond water and of birds.
The child is a ball of candid wool; The
song is the spinning wheel that spins
it at night. Arrunango, arrunango...
My child is falling asleep; Dreams are
stealthily Coming from the shadows.
Arrunango, arrunango...

EN

ARIEL RAMÍREZ / FELIX LUNA

ESP

Alfonsina y el mar

Por la blanda arena que lame el mar
Su pequeña huella no vuelve más
Un sendero solo de pena y silencio
llegó Hasta el agua profunda.
Un sendero solo de penas mudas
llegó
Hasta la espuma.

Sabe Dios qué angustia te
acompañó
Qué dolores viejos calló tu voz
Para recostarte arrullada en el canto
De las caracolas marinas
La canción que canta en el fondo
oscuro del mar.
La caracola.

Te vas Alfonsina con tu soledad
¿Qué poemas nuevos fuiste a
buscar?
Una voz antigua de viento y de sal
Te requiebra el alma y te está
llevando
Y te vas hacia allá como en sueños
Dormida, Alfonsina vestida de mar.

Cinco sirenitas te llevarán
Por caminos de algas y de coral
Y fosforescentes caballos marinos
harán
Una ronda a tu lado
Y los habitantes del agua van a jugar
Pronto a tu lado.

Bájame la lámpara un poco más
Déjame que duerma nodriza, en paz
Y si llama él no le digas que estoy
Dile que Alfonsina no vuelve
Y si llama él no le digas nunca que
estoy
Di que me he ido.

EN

Alfonsina and the Sea

Her small footprints lead only one
way
Across the smooth, sea-washed sand,
Tracing a lonely path of pain and
silence
That ended where it met the deep
water,
A lonely path of unspoken pain
That ended in the foamy waves.

God alone knows what anguish went
with you,
What ancient sorrows your voice
never expressed,
Leading you to lie down and be lulled
by the song
Of the conch shells,
The song the conch shell sings in the
sea's Deep, dark waters.

You're leaving, Alfonsina, with your
loneliness,
In search of what new poems?
An age-old voice of wind and salt
Brings peace to your soul and bears
it away, Taking you to the hereafter
as if in a dream, Alfonsina, asleep and
cloaked in the waves.

Five little mermaids will lead the way
Along paths of seaweed and coral
And shimmering seahorses will
Stand guard beside you.
And all the sea's creatures will rush
To play by your side.

Lower the lamp a little, nurse,
Leave me to sleep in peace.
And if he calls, don't tell him I'm here,
Tell him Alfonsina isn't coming back.
And if he calls, don't ever tell him I'm
here, Tell him I've gone away

ALBERTO NEPOMUCENO

POR

Coração triste

No arvoredado sussurra o vendaval do
outono, Deita as folhas à terra, onde
não há florir,

E eu contemplo sem pena esse
triste abandono;
Só eu as vi nascer, vejo-as só eu cair.
Como a escura montanha, esguia
e pavorosa Faz, quando o sol
descamba, o vale enoitecer
Esta montanha da alma, a tristeza
amorosa Também de ignota sombra
enche todo o meu ser.

Transforma o frio inverno a água em
pedra dura,
Mas torna a pedra em água um raio
de verão;
Vem, ó sol, vem, assume o trono teu
na altura,
Vê se podes fundir o meu triste
coração.

EN

Grieving Heart

The autumn wind whispers in the
woodland, Making the leaves fall to
the ground where nothing blooms,
And without sorrow I watch them
sadly drifting;
I alone saw them come into bud, I
alone see them fall.

Just as the dark mountain, lean and
grim, Fills the valley with shadow
when the sun sets,
This mountain of the soul, the
sadness of love,
Fills my whole being with an unknown
darkness.

The wintry cold turns water into hard
stone, But a ray of summer turns that
stone back into water;
Come, o sun, come, take your throne
in the heavens,
And see if you can melt my grieving
heart.

SILVIO RODRÍGUEZ

ESP

En estos días todo el viento del mundo sopla en tu dirección
La osa mayor corrige la punta de su cola
Y te corona con la estrella que guía la mía
Los mares se han torcido con no poco dolor hacia tus costas
La lluvia dibuja en tu cabeza la sed de millones de árboles
Las flores te maldicen muriendo celosas
En estos días no sale el sol sino tu rostro

Y en el silencio sordo del tiempo gritan tus ojos

¡Ay! de estos días terribles

¡Ay! de lo indescriptible

En estos días no hay absolución posible para el hombre

Para el feroz la fiera que ruge y canta ciega

Ese animal remoto que devora y devora primaveras

EN

These days every wind in the world blows in your direction,
The Great Bear straightens the tip of its tail
And crowns you with the star that guides my own.

The seas have painfully twisted themselves towards your shores,
In your head the rain depicts the thirst of millions of trees,
The flowers curse you, dying of jealousy. These days it's your face that rises in place of the sun
And in the dull silence of time your eyes cry out

Ah, about these terrible days,

Ah, about things words cannot

describe. These days there's no possible absolution for mankind,

For the monster, the wild beast that blindly sings and roars,

That far-off animal that devours spring after spring.

JULIÁN AGUIRRE

ESP

Caminito, caminito,
Tan parecido a mi pena
Cual si lo hubieran escrito
Mis lágrimas en la arena.

Mísero pía en los cardos
Un pajarillo invernal
El frío eriza sus dardos
Como un cardo de cristal.

Y el caminito persiste
En la llanura serena
Caminito largo y triste
Tan parecido a mi pena.

EN

Little path, little path,
So much like my sorrow,
As if my tears had etched you
Upon the sandy ground.

A little winter bird
Chirruped sadly in the thistles,
The cold makes its feathers stand on end
Like a thistle made of glass.

And the little path runs on
Into the peaceful grassland,
Little path, so long and sad,
So much like my sorrow.

MEXICAN FOLK SONG

ESP

La llorona
Salías de un templo un día Llorona
Cuando al pasar yo te vi.
Hermoso huipil llevabas Llorona
Que la virgen te creí.

Ay, de mi Llorona, Llorona,
Llorona de un campo lirio,
El que no sabe de amores Llorona
No sabe lo que es martirio.

No sé que tienen las flores Llorona
Las flores de un camposanto,
Que cuando las mueve el viento
Llorona Parece que está llorando.

Ay de mi Llorona, Llorona,
Llorona llévame al río.
Tápame con tu rebozo Llorona
Porque me muero de frío. ¡Ay!

EN

La Llorona*
I saw you leaving church one day,
Llorona*, As I went by.
You were wearing a pretty dress,
Llorona, And I mistook you for the Virgin.

Alas, Llorona, Llorona,
Llorona of a field of lilies,
Anyone who knows nothing of love,
Llorona, Knows nothing of pain.

I don't know what's wrong with the flowers, Llorona,
The flowers that grow in the graveyard,
But when they move in the wind,
Llorona,
It looks as if they're weeping.

Alas, Llorona, Llorona,
Llorona, take me down to the river,
Wrap me in your shawl, Llorona,
For I'm dying of cold. Ah!

* La Llorona = The Wailing Woman

RUBÉN FUENTES

ESP

La Bikina

Solitaria camina la Bikina

La gente se pone a murmurar

Dicen que tiene una pena

Dicen que tiene una pena que la
hace llorar.

Altanera, preciosa y orgullosa,

No permite la quieran consolar

Pasa luciendo su real majestad

Pasa, camina, los mira sin verlos

jamás.

La Bikina tiene pena y dolor

La Bikina no conoce el amor.

Dicen que alguien ya vino y se fue

Dicen que pasa las noches llorando

por él.

EN

La Bikina*

The girl in the bikini walks alone.

People start whispering about her:

They say she has a hidden sadness,

A sadness that makes her weep.

Indifferent, beautiful and proud,

She won't let anyone comfort her,

She walks by with gleaming majesty,

She goes on her way, looks at people

but never sees them.

She has a hidden sadness and grief,

She knows nothing of love.

They say some man came and went

again,

They say she spends her nights

weeping for him.

* La Bikina = a fanciful name for a girl
in a bikini

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