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“Юлия”

оп. 45

SCORE REDUCTION

Soprano and Piano

“Yulia”

Op. 45

*Lyrical Images
for
Soprano
and
String Quartet*

- I. As he whispers
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Estimated playing time: about 19 minutes

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Ballerina by Emmanuel M. Dubois (1982) – India ink on paper

Foreword

“Yulia”

Lyrical images for Soprano and String Quartet

Op. 45

The first version of the suite Op. 45 consisted of four short sentimental pieces written for large string ensemble – *Love Notes on Strings* (2014). This simple work was meant to be an exercise portraying in sound images some aspects of the lyrical richness of the string choir.

Until then, in ensemble music I had favored brass instrumentation, as I tended to seek more robust effects. The transcription Op. 32a entitled *Brigitte’s Ave Maria* for soprano and strings (2013) of the *Ave Maria* Op. 29 for soprano and organ was a departure that paved the way to a connection with the sound color of the strings that I was seeking.

As I was putting the final touches to *Love Notes on Strings*, a contact on an Internet social network led me to a soprano, also member of my music club in Washington, DC. I followed the Internet trail and discovered a fascinating and wonderfully gifted Russian opera singer with superb technique and stage presence.

After meeting with Yulia Petrachuk, the young soprano discovered on the Internet and living in Washington, a thousand miles away from my Florida home, we concurred that I should rewrite *Love Notes on Strings* into a seven-part light-hearted suite for soprano and string quartet, named “*Yulia*” – *Lyrical Images for Soprano and String Quartet, Op. 45*.

I am greatly indebted to Yulia, to whom this work is dedicated, for her expert review of the voice part and for her numerous enlightened comments.

Emmanuel M. Dubois
Fort Myers, Florida
June 2015

Addendum to the foreword

As I reflected on the lingering impression that Yulia's extraordinarily beautiful voice must leave with her audiences and as I had asserted in the Foreword of this piece that she is a "fascinating and wonderfully gifted Russian opera singer with superb technique and stage presence" I thought appropriate to elaborate on this statement.

When I first heard her sing, I was delighted to discover that the timbre and the ever-present warmth of her voice were reminders of the charming voice of my grandmother, herself a gifted soprano who many, many decades earlier had studied at the Conservatory of Ghent, Belgium. Both voices reflect Old World traditions passed along in their music education. Sensitivity and radiating beauty are as much present in Yulia's voice as they were in my grandmother's.

When Yulia and I first met, she projected a joyful expression of self-confidence and comforting pride. As I was also trying to be more informed about the young expatriate Russian artist community that had left their homeland, I read some of their blogs and Internet publications. It dawned on me that many of them, who grew up after the end of the Soviet Union, have reinvented a value system drawn from the best of their rich Russian cultural heritage and eclectic international influences.

For Yulia, strong family values and first class opera singing education at the Moscow Tchaikovsky Conservatory would have filled any vacuum left by the dissolution of the former social order. She is a well-grounded artist with sense of direction, who proudly owns and transcends her cultural heritage.

The overall result of combining her exceptional talent with these influences is thoughtfulness, subtlety, outstanding technique and discipline in her singing. I could add that the sum of these traits have led her to a level of professionalism that judges at auditions must appreciate to understand the richness, maturity and complexity of her operatic voice.

And it comes thus with no surprise to hear that beautiful Yulia is also a very generous person with a great sense of empathy. As a child, she would lead family and friends with songs as they picked berries in the fields. Today she remains very close to her people. Her hobby consists of building houses for others and she is a passionate advocate for the poor and the less fortunate.

Tank you, Yulia, for being as you are and for that first Internet contact! I am honored to have composed this piece for you!

Emmanuel M. Dubois

August 2015

"Yulia"

SCORE REDUCTION

Op. 45

1. As he whispers

Emmanuel M. Dubois

(2015)

Lyrics by E.M.Dubois

Soprano

Piano

5

9

As _____ he whis-pers, as _____ he whis - pers

The musical score consists of three systems of music. System 1 (measures 1-4) shows the piano providing harmonic support with eighth-note chords and grace notes, while the soprano remains silent. System 2 (measures 5-8) begins with a forte dynamic (f) in the piano, followed by eighth-note chords. System 3 (measures 9-12) starts with a mezzo-forte dynamic (mf) in the piano, followed by eighth-note chords. The lyrics "As _____ he whis-pers, as _____ he whis - pers" are placed under the piano staff in measure 9.

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13

Musical score for measure 13. The vocal line consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are "As he whis - pers, as he whis-pers," with a dynamic marking *tr* over the second "he". The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with eighth and sixteenth-note patterns.

17

Musical score for measure 17. The vocal line continues with "as he whis - pers "Love!"" followed by "I will be-lieve him". The piano accompaniment features eighth and sixteenth-note patterns, with dynamic markings *tr* and *tr*.

20

Musical score for measure 20. The vocal line begins with "when he comes." The piano accompaniment consists of eighth and sixteenth-note patterns, with dynamic markings *tr* and *tr*.

24

What _____

mp

p

mp

28

do — I of - fer him?

mf

mp *mf*

This musical score page features a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a melodic line and lyrics 'do — I of - fer him?'. The piano accompaniment consists of eighth-note chords. Dynamics 'mf' and 'mp' are indicated.

34

Me! Me! My _____ kis____ses and____ a smile of

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41

tears! Me! Me! Like

48

ro ses co - ver'd with _____ dew, for him to cut with

55

words of love;

mf

59

Cuts _____

63

— that con - sume. For — that, — too. — he shall be

67

lov'd as he whis - pers words of love.

2. Happiness

SCORE REDUCTION

Emmanuel M. Dubois

(2015)

Allegro ($\text{♩} = 100$)

Soprano

Piano

5

8

cresc.

cresc.

Hap - pi - ness, - hap - pi - ness _____ is _____

like a but ter fly Hap-pi - ness is _____ like

"Yulia" Op. 45 - SCORE REDUCTION - 2. Happiness - Emmanuel M. Dubois

12

a but ter fly, the more you chase

15

it the more it will e - lud' you,

19

pp

will e lude you, the more you chase

mf

pp

mf

23

it the more it will e - lude you

27

But if you turn your at ten - tion, at - ten - tion

31

to o ther things it will come

"Yulia" Op. 45 - SCORE REDUCTION - 2. Happiness - Emmanuel M. Dubois

34

slow

and it will sit softly Ah

37

più f marcato

on your shoul - der, on your shoul - der. Hap-pi ness, hap pi

41

sfz

ness!

45

Musical score for measure 45. The score consists of three staves: Treble, Alto, and Bass. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature changes from common time to 3/8. The vocal parts sing eighth-note patterns, and the bass part provides harmonic support. Measure 45 concludes with a repeat sign.

48

Musical score for measure 48. The vocal line begins with a sustained note followed by eighth-note patterns. The bass part provides harmonic support. The vocal line includes lyrics: "Hap — pi - ness is like a". The dynamic marking *mp* is present above the vocal line.

51

Musical score for measure 51. The vocal line continues with eighth-note patterns. The lyrics are: "but - ter-fly: the more you chase it the more it". The dynamic markings *p* and *pp* are used. The bass part provides harmonic support.

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55

p

più deciso

mf

will e - lu-de you!

It _____

59

mf

f

will _____

e _____

lude _____

62

ff

f

Hap Ah! Ah! Ah!

ff

you, _____

you _____

Hap Ah! Ah! Ah!

65

Musical score for piano, page 12, measures 65-68. The score consists of three staves: treble, bass, and piano. Measure 65: Treble staff has a rest. Bass staff has a rest. Piano staff starts with a forte dynamic (f) and a sixteenth-note pattern. Measure 66: Treble staff has a sixteenth-note pattern. Bass staff has a rest. Piano staff continues with a sixteenth-note pattern, followed by a dynamic change to *dolce* and a measure ending with a piano dynamic (mp). Measure 67: Treble staff has a sixteenth-note pattern. Bass staff has a rest. Piano staff has a sixteenth-note pattern. Measure 68: Treble staff has a sixteenth-note pattern. Bass staff has a rest.

69

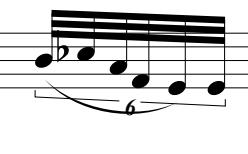
Musical score for piano, page 12, measures 69-72. The score consists of three staves: treble, bass, and piano. Measure 69: Treble staff has a dynamic *ten.* and a sixteenth-note pattern. Bass staff has a dynamic *ten.* and a sixteenth-note pattern. Piano staff starts with a dynamic *mp* and a forte dynamic (f), followed by a melodic line. Measure 70: Treble staff has a dynamic *più mosso* and a sixteenth-note pattern. Bass staff has a dynamic *più mosso* and a sixteenth-note pattern. Piano staff starts with a dynamic *mp* and a melodic line. Measure 71: Treble staff has a dynamic *ten.* and a sixteenth-note pattern. Bass staff has a dynamic *ten.* and a sixteenth-note pattern. Piano staff starts with a dynamic *p* and a melodic line. Measure 72: Treble staff has a dynamic *ten.* and a sixteenth-note pattern. Bass staff has a dynamic *ten.* and a sixteenth-note pattern. Piano staff has a dynamic *p* and a melodic line.

73

Musical score for piano, page 12, measures 73-76. The score consists of three staves: treble, bass, and piano. Measure 73: Treble staff has a dynamic *ten.* and a sixteenth-note pattern. Bass staff has a dynamic *ten.* and a sixteenth-note pattern. Piano staff starts with a dynamic *ten.* and a sixteenth-note pattern, followed by a melodic line. Measure 74: Treble staff has a dynamic *mp* and a sixteenth-note pattern. Bass staff has a dynamic *mp* and a sixteenth-note pattern. Piano staff starts with a dynamic *mp* and a melodic line. Measure 75: Treble staff has a dynamic *ten.* and a sixteenth-note pattern. Bass staff has a dynamic *ten.* and a sixteenth-note pattern. Piano staff starts with a dynamic *p* and a melodic line. Measure 76: Treble staff has a dynamic *ten.* and a sixteenth-note pattern. Bass staff has a dynamic *ten.* and a sixteenth-note pattern. Piano staff starts with a dynamic *mp* and a melodic line.

*mf**ten.*

the more - it will e

*3**mf*

Piano accompaniment (bass and chords)

Voice (Soprano)

mp

lud' you! La - la - la - la - la la la Hap - pi - ness is like a

mp

Piano accompaniment (bass and chords)

Voice (Soprano)

f

but - ter - fly, a but - ter - fly. the more you chase

f

Piano accompaniment (bass and chords)

Voice (Soprano)

88

it, the more it will e - lu - de you.

The vocal part consists of a soprano line in G clef and a basso continuo line in F clef. The piano part is indicated by a brace and includes a treble staff and a bass staff. The music is in common time, with a key signature of one flat. The vocal line features eighth-note patterns and rests. The piano line provides harmonic support with eighth-note chords and bass notes. Dynamics include ***ff*** (fortissimo) at the end of the vocal line.

91

Hap — pi-

The vocal part consists of a soprano line in G clef and a basso continuo line in F clef. The piano part is indicated by a brace and includes a treble staff and a bass staff. The music is in common time, with a key signature of one flat. The vocal line features eighth-note patterns and rests. The piano line provides harmonic support with eighth-note chords and bass notes. Dynamics include ***f*** (forte), ***ff*** (fortissimo), and ***ff*** (fortissimo) at the end of the vocal line.

95

(1)

ness is like a but ter fly.

The vocal part consists of a soprano line in G clef and a basso continuo line in F clef. The piano part is indicated by a brace and includes a treble staff and a bass staff. The music is in common time, with a key signature of one flat. The vocal line features eighth-note patterns and rests. The piano line provides harmonic support with eighth-note chords and bass notes. A dynamic marking **(1)** is placed above the vocal line in the first measure of the second system.

(1) Composer's note: *G preferred, alternate E flat*

3. Hold Me So Tight!

SCORE REDUCTION

Lyrics by E.M.Dubois

Emmanuel M. Dubois

(2015)

NOTA: Throughout this sensuous song the soprano sings on "Ah" or "Oh" except when words are indicated.
The singer should project sensuality and great feeling while acting out the melody.

Flirty allegretto (♩ = 92)

The musical score reduction consists of three systems of music. System 1 starts with a blank soprano staff, followed by a piano staff with dynamics *mf* and *f*. System 2 starts with a blank soprano staff, followed by a piano staff with dynamics *f* and *f*. System 3 starts with a blank soprano staff, followed by a piano staff with dynamics *p* and *mp*, leading to a dynamic *dim.* The piano part features various rhythmic patterns, including sixteenth-note chords and eighth-note figures, with grace notes and slurs. Measure numbers 1, 4, and 8 are indicated above the staves.

11

Ah _____

mp

3

mp

molto espressivo on words

14

Oh, please don't hold me there so tight! Oh, yes, please do! Oh! _____

mf

molto espressivo on words

17

Please do! Oh! _____

Oh! _____ Please don't squeeze me there that hard! Oh, please do!

mf

mp

20

Ah! _____ Oh, _____ Please _____

23

— Oh _____ Ah _____ Ah _____

26

mp *tr* _____
Oh _____ Ah! _____

f _____ *dim.* _____ *tr* _____

molto espressivo on words

29

Ah _____ I love when you hold me too tight,

33

yes, that tight! Please do, so tight, so tight! Ah _____

36

Ah! _____ Ah _____ Tight! _____ Tight! _____ Tight! Tight! Tight! Tight!

39

Tight! Tight! Tight! Tight! Ah! Ah! Ah! Ah!

41

Ah! *mp* Oh, please one

44

a tempo

— more time!

f

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48

p

Ah!

51

mf *f*

Ah! Ah!

mf *f*

54

rit.

a tempo ($\text{♩} = 92$)

mp *mf*

That was ve-ry nice! Love you!

mf

mp

4. To Sweeten Our Lips

SCORE REDUCTION

Emmanuel M. Dubois
(2015)

*A collage of verses by John Warner Barber and Henry David Thoreau
taken from WALDEN by Thoreau*

Andante ($\text{♩} = 52$)

The musical score reduction consists of two staves: Soprano and Piano. The Soprano staff uses a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The Piano staff uses both a treble and a bass clef, with a key signature of one flat. The time signature is 2/4 throughout. Measure 1 starts with a rest followed by three measures of silence. Measure 5 begins with the Soprano line, marked *mp*, singing "We can make li - quor to sweeten - our lips." The piano accompaniment features eighth-note chords. Measure 8 continues with the Soprano line, marked *mp*, singing "We can" and "can". The piano accompaniment includes eighth-note chords and a dynamic *p*. The score is divided into measures by vertical bar lines and numbered 1 through 8 above the staff.

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11

make li - quor to swee - ten our lips. Li - quor to swee - ten



14

our lips to swee - ten our lips. To _____ swee - ten



17

our lips

"Yulia" Op.45 - SCORE REDUCTION - 4. To Sweeten Our Lips - Emmanuel M. Dubois

23

20

Of pum - kins and par - snips and wal - nut tree chips, chips.

23

We can make li - quor to swee - ten our lips.

27

- - - -

31 *poco animato*

f

Light wing - ed Smoke,

三

34

Lark with - out song, of mid - night
vi - sion ga - th'ring up thy skirts, Go thou

f

三

37

and ask the gods to ____ par - don this clearflame,
clear flame, clear

40

flame, clear flame.

44

Ask the gods to par - don this clear flame,

47

clear flame, clear flame, clear flame.

5. Those Were Happy Times

SCORE REDUCTION

Emmanuel M. Dubois
(2015)

*Translation of excerpt from "L'Invitation au voyage"
(The Invitation to Travel) by Charles Baudelaire (1)*

Tempo di marcia

($\text{♩} = 84$)

The musical score reduction consists of six staves of music. The top staff is for the Soprano voice, starting with a rest followed by a melodic line. The second staff is for the Piano, also starting with a rest. The third staff begins at measure 5, showing a continuous line of eighth notes. The fourth staff continues the piano line. The fifth staff begins at measure 9, with the Soprano singing "to - ge - ther!" and the piano providing harmonic support. The sixth staff continues the piano line. Measure numbers 1, 5, and 9 are indicated above the staves.

Soprano

Piano

5

9

My child, my sis _____ ter

Think _____ of the sweet____ness____ of____ go - ing____ there and live_____

to - ge - ther!

to love for

(1) Translation by E.M. Dubois

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27 "Yulia" Op.45 - SCORE REDUCTION - 5. Those Were Happy Times - Emmanuel M. Dubois

12

lei ____ sure,
lei ____ sure.

mp



15 *mp*

a tempo primo

to love ____ for dying ____ in ____ the land ____

p

mf



18

that ____ re sem ____ bles ____ you! ____

f

mf

6

20

There ev ery thing is on ly or der, or-

24

Tempo di marcia

der and beau ty, or der and and beau ty,

29

lux u ry, lux u ry, quie et ness and, and rap

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32 *ff*

ture. There, ev - ry - thing is

ff

34

or - der and beau ty, lux u -

37

ry, qui — et - ness and rap - ture.

6. Yulia

SCORE REDUCTION

Emmanuel M. Dubois
(2015)

Lyrics by E.M.Dubois

Moderato (♩ = 48)

The musical score reduction consists of two staves: Soprano and Piano. The Soprano staff uses a treble clef and G major (indicated by a key signature of one sharp). The Piano staff uses both a treble and a bass clef, with a key signature of three flats. The time signature is 6/8 throughout. Measure 1 starts with a rest followed by six measures of piano accompaniment. Measure 7 begins with a piano dynamic of *mp*, followed by lyrics: "I said to him: 'I do like your eyes; _____ I like your mind, too.'". Measure 12 begins with a piano dynamic of *mf*, followed by lyrics: "I like to be to you. I be - lieve you, I be - lieve in you. Do you too, like I do?". The piano part includes various dynamics such as *p*, *mp*, *mf*, and *p*.

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31

18

Musical score for piano and voice. The piano part consists of two staves: treble and bass. The vocal part is on a single staff. Measure 18 starts with a piano introduction. Measures 19-20 show the vocal line with eighth-note patterns and dynamic markings *mf*. Measures 21-22 continue the vocal line with eighth-note patterns and dynamic markings *mf*. Measure 23 concludes the section.



24

Musical score for piano and voice. The piano part consists of two staves: treble and bass. The vocal part is on a single staff. Measures 24-25 show the piano introduction. Measures 26-27 show the vocal line with eighth-note patterns and dynamic markings *mp*. Measures 28-29 conclude the section.



28

Musical score for piano and voice. The piano part consists of two staves: treble and bass. The vocal part is on a single staff. Measures 28-29 show the piano introduction. Measures 30-31 show the vocal line with eighth-note patterns and dynamic marking *p*. Measures 32-33 conclude the section. The lyrics "took my hand in his _____ and this is what he said: "Yu - lia I like these times which" are written below the vocal line.

32

take me to you. I will not part from you, for I believe in you. For e - ver



37

I be-lieve you. For - e - ver I love you! Sweet friend, do I hun-ger for



42

you. Oh, yes do I do!"

"Yulia" Op.45 - SCORE REDUCTION - 6. Yulia - Emmanuel M. Dubois

33

48

perdendosi
pp

And this was my of - fe - ring: "I am the wo - man for you, the wo - man for

pp

ppp

53

morendo
pp

you! I, Yu - li - a, I

p

pp

59

ppp

NOTA: Soprano closes her eyes ----- >

do love you!"

ppp

7. Woman's First True Love

SCORE REDUCTION

Emmanuel M. Dubois
(2015)

Lyrics by E.M.Dubois

Moderato
($\text{♩} = 84$)

Soprano

Piano

4

7

The musical score reduction consists of two staves: Soprano and Piano. The Soprano staff uses a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and common time (indicated by a '4'). The piano staff uses a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and common time. The tempo is 'Moderato' with a quarter note equal to 84. The vocal part begins with a rest followed by a dotted half note, then continues with a melodic line. The piano part provides harmonic support with chords and rhythmic patterns. The lyrics are integrated into the vocal line, such as 'Dream with love, true love' and 'Un - a - voi - da - ble, un - a - voi - da -'. Measure numbers 4 and 7 are indicated above the staves.

10

mf

ear - ly, ear____ly love, Quick as a lark. _____ We

mf

====

13

are som-ber as two crows but__ sub - lime like white snow I

mf

====

15

am the youth____ you are of gold_____

17 *f*

We stand as i-ma - ges of ___ i - ma -

f

19

ges Too dis ___ tant to ig - nore

f

21

love, ___ My flight of white ___ skirt... my

f

"Yulia" Op.45 - SCORE REDUCTION - 7. Woman's First True Love - Emmanuel M. Dubois

37

24

A musical score reduction for piano and voice. The top staff is for the voice, and the bottom staff is for the piano. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). Measure 24 starts with a piano dynamic. The lyrics are: "fright of _____ first flirt, first flirt Your ____". Measure 25 continues the piano line and begins a vocal line with eighth-note patterns.

27

A musical score reduction for piano and voice. The top staff is for the voice, and the bottom staff is for the piano. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). Measure 27 starts with a piano dynamic. The lyrics are: "— white and grey hair, rough chin, rough chin, ____". Measure 28 continues the piano line and begins a vocal line with eighth-note patterns.

A musical score reduction for piano and voice. The top staff is for the voice, and the bottom staff is for the piano. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). Measure 29 starts with a piano dynamic. Measures 30-31 show a piano line with eighth-note chords and a vocal line with eighth-note patterns.

29

A musical score reduction for piano and voice. The top staff is for the voice, and the bottom staff is for the piano. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). Measures 29-31 show a piano line with eighth-note chords and a vocal line with eighth-note patterns.

32

and more trea _____

mf

35

sures with bursts of man... From

mf

37

hid - den pas — sion, hid - den pas - sion hid — den pas - sion, hid — den

f

40

pas - sion a - rose at - trac-tion. Go __ to

f

≡

43

me, drink my flee ____ ting youth! Hur - ry! Ah! _____ Ah!

≡

46

A__ way__ from__ your own you, you ____ will

f

≡

49

rall.

be pea - cock and I'll be dove. Join me in dream ____

52

più rall.

join me in

54

my wo - man's dream of first true love ____

Text of lyrics and poems for “Yulia” Op. 45

I. As he whispers

*By Emmanuel M. Dubois
2015*

As he whispers ‘Love!’
I will believe him
When he cometh

What do I offer? Me! Me! My kisses and a smile of tears!
Me! Me! Like a rose covered with dew,
For him to cut with words of love;

Cuts that consume.
For that, too, he shall be loved,
As he whispers words of love.

II. Happiness

*Poem by Henry David Thoreau
(1817 - 1862)*

Happiness is like a butterfly:
 The more you chase it,
 The more it will elude you,
 But if you turn your attention
 To other things, it will
 Come and sit softly
 On your shoulder...

III. Hold Me So Tight!

*Emmanuel M. Dubois
(2015)*

Ah!.....
Oh, please don't hold me there so tight!
Oh, yes, please do! Oh! Please do! Oh!

Ah.....
Oh! Please don't squeeze me there that hard!
Oh, please! Oh! Ah!

Ah!.....
I love when you hold me too tight, yes, that tight!
Please do, so tight, so tight! Ah! Tight! Tight! Tight!

Ah!.....
Oh, please one more time!

Ah!.....
That was very nice! Love you!

IV. To Sweeten Our Lips

A collage of verses by John Warner Barber (from "Historical Collections of Massachusetts"), quoted by Henry David Thoreau in Walden ("Economy") and a selection of verses by Thoreau from Walden ("House Warming")

We can make liquor to sweeten our lips
Of pumpkins and parsnips and walnut-tree chips.

Light-winged Smoke, [...],
[...]
Lark without song, [...]
[...]
Of midnight vision, gathering up thy skirts [;]
[...]
Go thou [...]
And ask the gods to pardon this clear flame.

V. Those Were Happy Times

Translation of excerpt from "L'Invitation au voyage" (The Invitation to Travel) by Charles Baudelaire

My child, my sister,
Think of the sweetness
Of going there and live together!
To love for leisure
To love for dying
In the land that resembles you!
[...]
There, everything is only order and beauty,
Luxury, quietness and rapture.
[...]

Translation by E. M. Dubois

VI. Yulia

*Emmanuel M. Dubois
After "Oh do I do!" (2014-2015)*

I said to him:
 "I do like your eyes;
 I like your mind, too.
 I like to be to you,
 I believe you,
 I believe in you.
 Do you, too, like I do?"

He took my hand in his
 And this is what he said:
 "Yulia, I like these times,
 Which take me to you.
 I will not part from you, for
 I believe in you. Forever
 I believe you. Forever
 I love you!
 Sweet friend, do I hunger for you:
 Oh, yes do I do!"

And this was my offering:
 "I am the woman for you!
 I, Yulia, I do love you!"

VII. Woman's First True Love

Poem by Emmanuel M. Dubois (2015)

Dream with love, true love
Unavoidable like early love -
Quick as a lark.

We are somber as two crows
But sublime like white snow
I am the youth
You are of gold

We stand as images of images, too distant to ignore love
My flight of white skirt... my fright of first flirt...
Your white and grey hair, rough chin, and more treasures with bursts of
man...
From hidden passion arose attraction

Go to me, drink my fleeting youth!
Hurry!
Away from your own you, you will be peacock and I'll be dove
Join me in dream,
Join me in my woman's dream of first true love