

YOUR SPRING QUARTERLY GIFT HAS ARRIVED, L.I.F.E. MUSIC MAKERS!

We hope everybody has been having a great year and is excited for spring! Our next opera is based off of a play everyone is sure to recognize, William Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*. This season's song is "Je veux vivre" (Juliette's Waltz Song) from Charles Gounod's 1867 opera *Roméo et Juliette*.

Romeo and Juliet belongs to a tradition of tragic romances stretching back to antiquity. The plot, about two young star-crossed lovers whose deaths ultimately reconcile their feuding families, is based on an Italian tale translated into verse titled *The Tragical History of Romeus and Juliet*, written by Arthur Brooke in 1562; it was retold in prose in the *Palace of Pleasure* by William Painter in 1567. Shakespeare borrowed heavily from both tales but he expanded the plot by developing a number of supporting characters.

Roméo et Juliette was first performed in Paris at the Théâtre Lyrique on April 27, 1867, it received acclaim and was hailed as a major success for Gounod. Its success was aided by the presence of dignitaries in Paris for the International Exhibition, several of whom attended performances. Roméo et Juliette entered the repertoire of the Opéra-Comique, a popular Parisian opera company, on January 20, 1873 where it received three hundred and ninety one performances in fourteen years.

Bil's notes: go to YouTube.com and search for "Anna Netrebko, Je veux vivre" to hear the example we used for this music. Follow the music as she sings & you'll understand the instructions and emotions of this song.

The Setups are all the same (Upper = Vocal, Lower Right = Orchestra). Only the accompaniment changes with each setup.

This is just one of the many benefits of being a member of L.I.F.E.! We hope you are enjoying our Trip to the Opera!

Musically yours,
Jacqueline Mavros and the L.I.F.E TEAM

Charles Gownod's

Je Veux Vivre

(Juliette's Haltz Song)

from the opera: Romeo & Juliette

Setup = Vocal on Upper and Orchestra on Lower:

Orch 1: #180 **Strings: Ensemble 1** for Lower Right (Edit: Sustain to 60) Lower Harmony: AOC Octave Solo 1: #440 **Scat: Swingle** (or Vocal: Dah or Doo) Set to Upper (Edit: Vib. Rate = 53 & Depth = 60)

<u>Lower Left</u>: Yellow **Strings 8'** tab

#180 (Strings: Ensemble 1) to Lower Sounds (Genius)
Pedal Sounds/Genius: #182 **Strings: Octave** (opt.)
Press EASY button & turn OFF the Memory button

Memorize the above registration to **A1** "with Style" (use "with Style" for all the setups)

- Select (turn on) A1 and Memorize to A2... Now select A2 and add a style as follows: Choose *It's Amore, Bistro Italiano*, or other 3/4 style (Tempo 160 +/-) Keypad: #180 (Strings: Ensemble 1) and touch Basic & again for Orch Plus Set Drum Volume to lowest level (off)... *Memorize* to A2 again (don't forget "with Style")
- 2. With A2 still on, *Memorize* it to **A3** and **A5**Select A3: slow the Tempo down a little (150 +/-) and *re-Memorize* it
- 3. Select A1 again and *Memorize* it to **A4**, **A6**, and **A8** ... Select **A6**: add Golden Harp (Up & Down) Set Tempo to 140, turn ON the Memory button, and *re-Memorize* it to **A6**
- 4. Select A5: *Memorize* to **A7**, speed up Tempo (165+), Lower Rt. Octave Off (re-Memorize)
- 5. Select A7: Memorize to A9 and A10. Select A-10, press Intro/Ending (re-Memorize)
- 6. Save to a USB drive/stick so you never have to do this again & can give it to others. :>)











