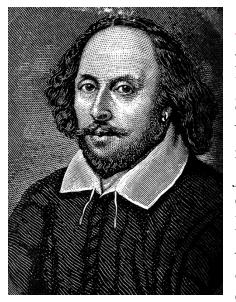
## If music be the food of love: Shakespeare in the Music Library

An exhibit in commemoration of the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of William Shakespeare

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Music provides a kaleidoscopic array of perspectives through which scholars can view the works and influences of William Shakespeare. While many people are familiar with the most famous uses of Shakespeare in music in such works as Tchaikovsky's Romeo and Juliet Overture-Fantasy, Verdi's Shakespeare operas (Falstaff, Macbeth, and Otello), Mendelssohn's incidental music for A Midsummer Night's Dream, and Prokofiev's Romeo and Juliet ballet, this exhibit will highlight some of the most significant topics related to the

intersections of Shakespeare and music with some lesser-known examples from the holdings of the Music Library.

## The use of music in Shakespeare's plays

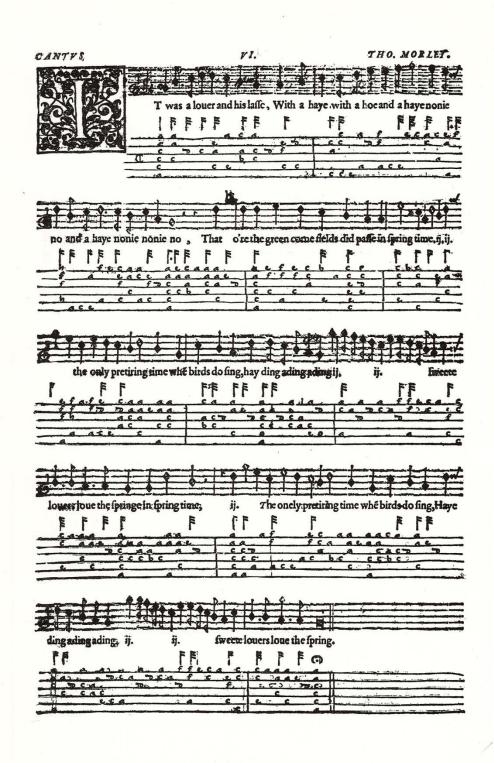
Music plays a significant role in Shakespeare's plays through three guises: music performed as part of the play, references in the text to song titles, and the use of words with musical connotations.

Shakespeare's use of performed music in his plays was so extensive that only *The Comedy of Errors* is without music. One of the remarkable aspects of Shakespeare's use of music is how integral it is to the dramatic structure in the plays. Some of the music serves as a direct part of the action, such as fanfares associated with processions or to mark royal entrances. In other instances Shakespeare used music as an agent for an action, such as when a lullaby is sung to put a character to sleep. Shakespeare also employed music to express elements about a character or to set an atmosphere. Much of the music performed or referenced in Shakespeare's plays would have been immediately recognizable by sound or title to his audiences, thus making the usage for characterizations more apparent.

Unfortunately, no documentation exists that can authenticate the melodies for vocal or instrumental music used in the plays. Thomas Morley's "It Was a Lover and His Lass" is one of the few works whose existence and dating at least allows speculation about its use by Shakespeare in the play, *As You Like It.* 

## Thomas Morley (1557 or 58-1602): "It Was a Lover and His Lass" from Morley's *First Booke of Ayres*

The First Booke of Ayres, 1600, edited by David Greer. Menston, England: Scolar Press, 1970.



Facsimile reproduction of the only extant copy of the printing by William Barley (London, 1600), from the Folger Shakespeare Library.

# The use of words with musical meanings in Shakespeare's texts

Shakespeare makes reference to more than three hundred terms with acoustical or musical connotations throughout his plays. Although we may no longer recognize many of the terms that would have been familiar to the Elizabethan and Jacobean audiences, there are still enough in current use to resonate with today's audiences. Definitions can be found in *Music in Shakespeare*, a Dictionary (Christopher R. Wilson and Michela Calore, 2007) which also contains an index that lists the plays along with the musical terms stated within them. For example, the list of musical words used by Shakespeare in *The Tempest* includes the following:

air, bass, beat, burden, catch, charm, dance, ditty, harmony, harp, hum, instrument, knell, music, noise, organ, play, rattle, soft, song, tabor, thunder, tongue, troll, tune, twang, whistle, wind

## Incidental music for Shakespeare's plays



Music written to be used with a complete performance of a play is commonly called incidental music. The earliest examples of incidental music written to accompany Shakespeare's plays date to the mid-17<sup>th</sup> century with Matthew Locke (circa 1621-1677) and other composers' music for William Davenant's productions of *Macbeth* in 1664 and *The Tempest* in 1674.



Henry Purcell composed A Fairy Queen for a production at the Dorset Garden Theatre in London in 1692. It is a hybrid type of work sometimes called semi-opera. Purcell's music for A Fairy Queen chiefly consists of four (later revised to include five) individual masques that were interpolated into an adaptation of Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream. The music is incidental in the sense that it is added to the play, yet together

with the play functions as a new entity that is not quite an opera in the fullest sense. It is important to note that none of Shakespeare's lines are actually set to music by Purcell.

## Henry Purcell (1659-1695): "Heark, How All Things with One Sound Rejoice" from *The Fairy Queen* (1692)

The Gresham Manuscript. London: Novello, 1995.





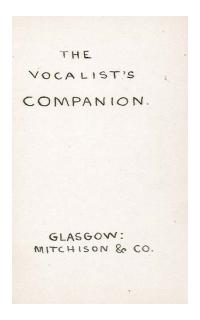
Facsimile reproduction of manuscript score in Purcell's hand.

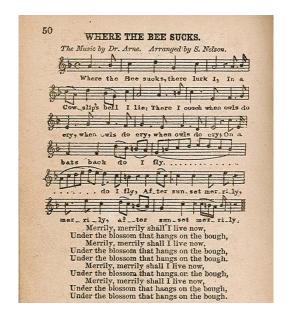


Thomas Arne composed incidental music for productions of Shakespeare plays at London's Drury Lane in 1740-41, including *The Tempest, As You Like It, Twelfth Night,* and *The Merchant of Venice.* One of the texts Arne set from *The Tempest* is the song "Where the Bee Sucks." Although it has not been proven that it was actually written for the production at Drury Lane, it remains one of Arne's most popular songs that has been widely distributed.

### Thomas Arne (1710-1778): Where the Bee Sucks (circa 1740)

The Vocalist's Companion, compiled by William Mitchison. Glasgow: W. Mitchison, circa 1839-1850.





A pocket-sized edition from the Music Library's British Vocal Music Collection (BVM76).

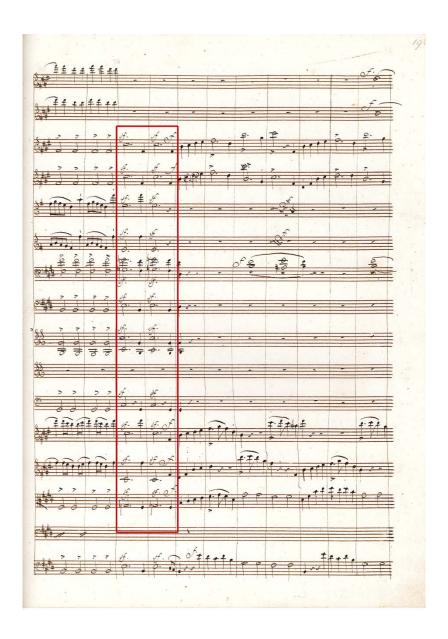


Titania and Bottom in A Midsummer Night's Dream Painting by Henry Fuseli

**P**erhaps the most famous example of incidental music for a Shakespeare play is Felix Mendelssohn's music for *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. Mendelssohn composed the overture in 1826 when he was only seventeen years old. He returned to the subject to compose the remainder of the incidental music (including his famous "Wedding March") for a production of the play in 1843.

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847): Sommernachtstraum. Ouverture (1826)

Kassel: Bärenreiter, 2009.



Facsimile reproduction of the manuscript score in the composer's hand of his Overture to a *Midsummer Night's Dream*. The score is opened to one of the passages that Mendelssohn wrote to imitate the braying of an ass to mark the place in the play where Puck transforms Bottom by replacing his head with that of an ass.

## Musical settings of Shakespeare's texts

The five volumes of Bryan N. S. Gooch and David Thatcher's *A Shakespeare Music Catalogue* (1991) lists more than 20,000 entries for musical works that are either based on Shakespeare's works or settings of his texts. The song settings include such famous songs as Schubert's *An Sylvia* ("Who is Silvia?" from *Two Gentlemen of Verona*). The list of composers who have set Shakespeare texts for songs includes Berlioz, Birtwistle, Brahms, Britten, Carter, Chausson, Copland, Delius, Diamond, Druckman, Finzi, Foss, Haubenstock-Ramati, Haydn, Honegger, Rorem, Saariaho, Schubert, Schumann, Sibelius, Richard Strauss, Stravinsky, Thomson, Tippett, and Vaughan Williams.

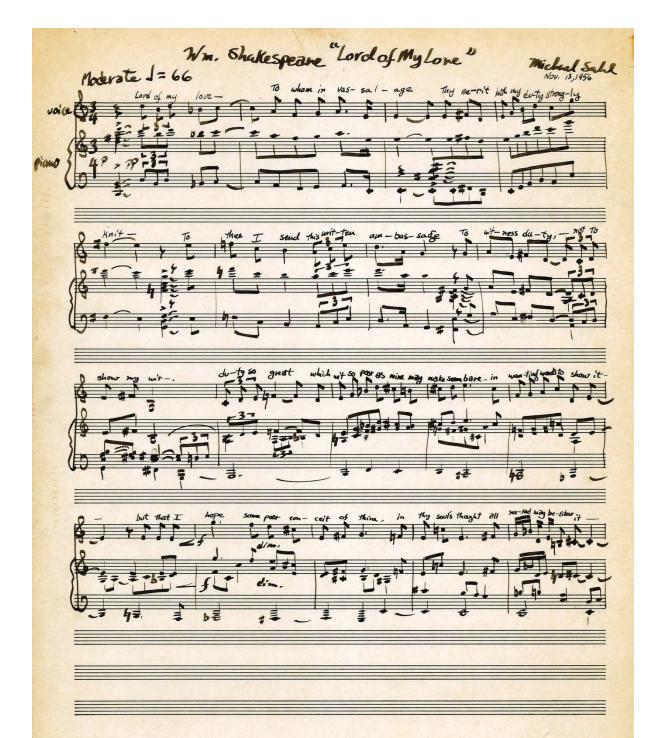
Two composers with Buffalo connections that are not represented in the Gooch and Thatcher catalog are Michael Sahl and Arnold Cornelissen.

Michael Sahl was born in Boston in 1934. He studied at Amherst College and received a master's degree at Princeton in 1957 after studies with Roger Sessions and Milton Babbitt. Sahl came to Buffalo to spend a year as a Creative Associate with the Center of the Creative and Performing Arts 1965-1966. He spent 1968-1969 as pianist and music director for singer Judy Collins. His music is noted for its inclusion of a variety of musical styles.

## Michael Sahl (born 1934): Lord of My Love and That Time of Year (1956)

From the Music Library's Michael Sahl Score Collection.

Lord of My Love is a setting of Shakespeare's Sonnet 26 and That Time of Year is a setting of Shakespeare's Sonnet 73.





Manuscript scores in the composer's hand.

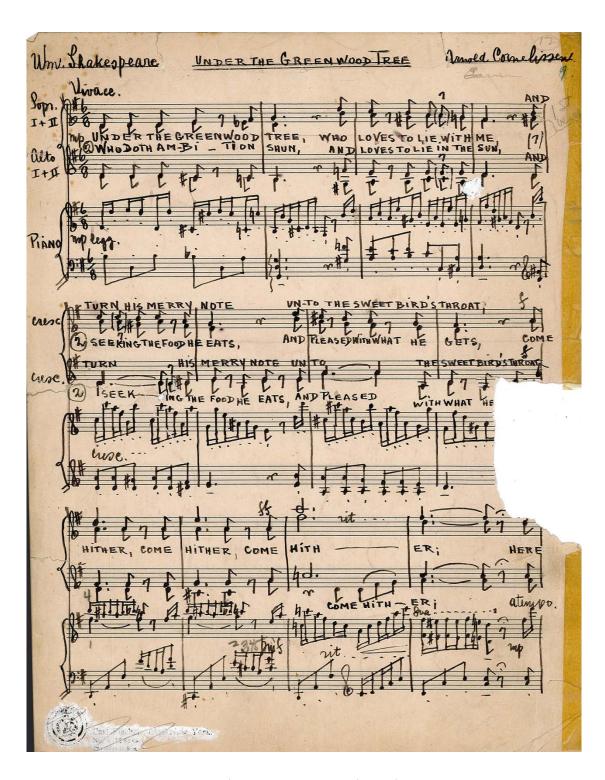
Arnold Cornelissen was born in Abcoude, Holland on 1 June 1887 and moved to the United States in 1906. He was a cellist (including with the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, 1935-1940), pianist, composer, and conductor of the Buffalo Symphony Orchestra, a predecessor of the Philharmonic. The Music Library's *Arnold Cornelissen Score Collection* contains more than sixty works.



Arnold Cornelissen (1887-1953): *Under the Greenwood Tree* (undated)

From the Music Library's Arnold Cornelissen Score Collection.

The text is from Shakespeare's As You Like It.



Manuscript score in the composer's hand.

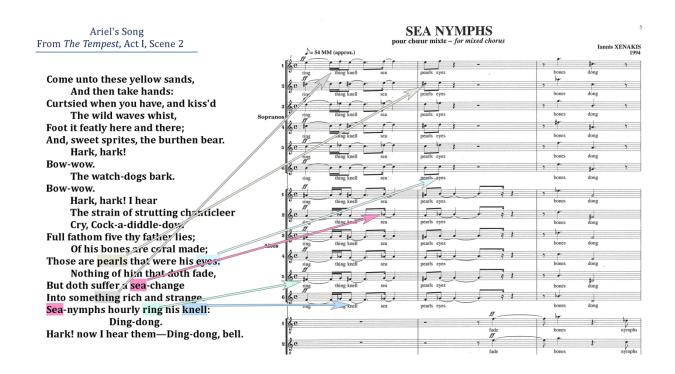
## Iannis Xenakis (1922-2001): Sea-Nymphs (1994)

Paris: Editions Salabert, 1994.

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The first page of the score to Xenakis's *Sea-Nymphs* with Shakespeare's original text of "Ariel's Song," set beside it with arrows added to match the placement of words from the original to the score.

## Adaptations of Shakespeare's plays for operas and musicals

The article on Shakespeare in the New Grove Dictionary of Opera lists about 270 operas based on, or adapted from, Shakespeare plays. Surprisingly, considering the strength of the plays, very few of the operatic settings have successfully found a place in the repertory. The most notable successes include Rossini's Otello, Berlioz's Béatrice et Bénédict, Gounod's Roméo et Juliette, Verdi's Shakespeare operas, and Britten's A Midsummer Night's Dream. Successful adaptations as musicals include Leonard Bernstein's West Side Story (based on Romeo and Juliet), Cole Porter's Kiss Me Kate (based on The Taming of the Shrew), and Richard Rodgers and Lorenz Hart's The Boys from Syracuse (based on The Comedy of Errors).

Very few plays of any kind can simply be set to music in their entirety without changes necessitated by the different demands of the musical setting of opera. Librettists approach the challenge of adapting plays in many different ways and with varying degrees of intent regarding how much of the original source will remain in the new work. As a result, there are many examples where a musical work bears little resemblance to the original play. Adaptations of Shakespeare's plays for operas and musicals run the gamut of works that retain as much of the original as possible to works that have only faint resemblance to the original.

### Johann Mattheson (1681-1764): Cleopatra (1704)

Das Erbe Deutscher Musik, Band 69. Mainz: B. Schott's Söhne, 1975.

One of the first complete operatic treatments of a Shakespeare play was Johann Mattheson's *Cleopatra*, composed in 1704. It was at the premiere performance of this work that Mattheson challenged George Frideric Handel to a duel. Mattheson performed on stage in the role of Antonio while Handel conducted from the keyboard. After performing Antonio's suicide in Act III, Mattheson attempted to return to the orchestra to take



over the role of conducting from the keyboard, but Handel would not relinquish the post. Apparently this only heightened an earlier dispute, and the infuriated Mattheson challenged Handel to a duel. Accounts differ as to whether a button on Handel's coat or a score in his pocket saved Handel from Mattheson's sword.



#### Mersohnen des Schauspiels. Cleopatra, Monigin von Sappten. Marcus Antonius: Deren Gemahl. Candace, sonsten die Jungere Cleopatra: Egyptische Prinkessin. Prolemæus, Egyptischer Prink. Archibius, Alexandrinischer Stadthalter. Dercetæus, des Antonii frengelassener Anecht. Momer. Augustus, Komischer Raiser. (mæi Beliebte. Mandane, eine Armenische Prinkessin / Ptolo-Juba, Mauritanischer Arohn Prink. Proculejus, Komischer General. Nemesis, die Göttinder Rache. Chorus bon Romischen Goldaten. Chorus bon Egnptischen Manke. Bon Bootsleuten. Entree bon Schorstein Fegern. Bon Beiftern und Gefpenften. Bon Egoptifchen und Romifchen Cavalliers und Dames. Der Schauplan ift in und um der Egyptischen Residence Alexandria.

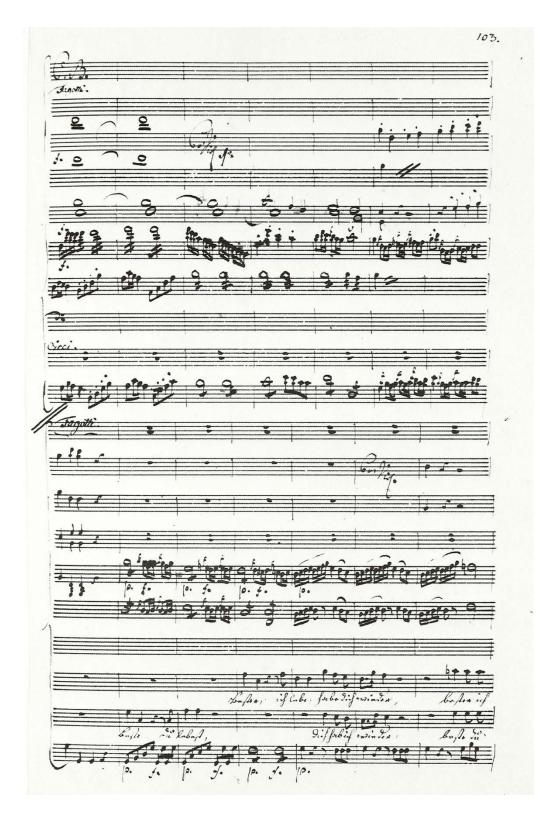
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### Georg Benda (1722-1795): Romeo und Julie (1776)

German Opera 1770-1800, volume 5. New York: Garland Publishing, 1985.

The Shakespeare article in the New Grove Dictionary of Opera lists more than twenty operas based on Romeo and Juliet. Georg Benda's Singspiel based on the German libretto by Friedrich Wilhelm Gotter was one of the first two musical adaptations of the play. It was premiered 25 September 1776 at the Hoftheater in Gotha, Germany. In keeping with the lighter nature of Singspiel, Gotter's libretto ends happily, with Romeo and Juliet alive and well.





Facsimile reproduction of the manuscript score, opened to the final duet between Romeo and Juliet.

## Daniel Steibelt (1765-1823): Roméo et Juliette (1793)

Paris: Chez Boyer et Nadermann, circa 1793.

Daniel Steibelt's setting of *Romeo and Juliet* is based on the French libretto by Alexandre de Ségur. Steibelt submitted the first version of the score to the Académie Royale de Musique in Paris for performance, but when they were unable to produce it Steibelt replaced the recitative sections with spoken dialogue to treat it as an opéra comique. This version of the work received its premiere at the Théâtre Feydeau in Paris on 9 October 1793. Like the Benda opera, Steibelt's also ends happily with both Romeo and Juliet alive.



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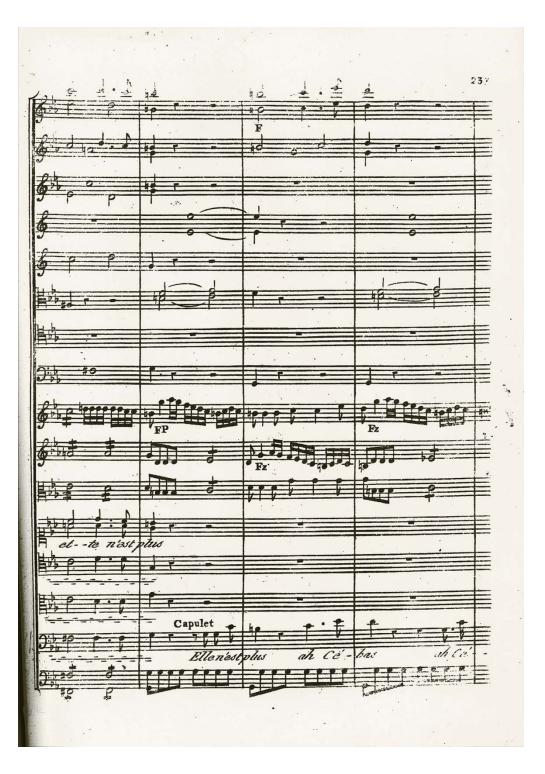
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## Gioacchino Rossini (1792-1868): Otello (1816)

Paris: Pacini, 1820.



Gioacchino Rossini composed his operatic setting of Shakespeare's *Othello* in 1816. It was premiered at the Teatro del Fondo on 4 December 1816. The Italian libretto by Francesco Berio di Salsa was based on the French adaptation of the play by Jean-François Ducis. As a result there are some notable differences between Rossini's work and Shakespeare's play.







The portrait of influential tenor, Giovanni Battista Rubini, is from a prefatory page in the publication. The score is opened to Desdemona's "Willow song."

### Nicola Vaccai (1790-1848): Giulietta e Romeo (1830)

Music Library's British Vocal Music Collection.

Nicola Vaccai's opera, *Giulietta e Romeo*, premiered at the Teatro alla Canobbiana in Milan on 25 October 1825. Its libretto was by Felice Romani, who used an adaptation of the original play by Luigi Scevola. Vaccai's opera was very successful until it was eclipsed in popularity by Vincenzo Bellini's setting of the same libretto. Bellini's opera, *I Capuleti e i Montecchi*, premiered on 11 March 1830. The famous soprano Maria Malibran, who performed the role of Romeo in Bellini's opera, preferred Vaccai's setting of Romeo's death scene. She had Vaccai's music for the scene interpolated into Bellini's opera in her performances, a practice that continued into the twentieth century with performances by Marilyn Horne.



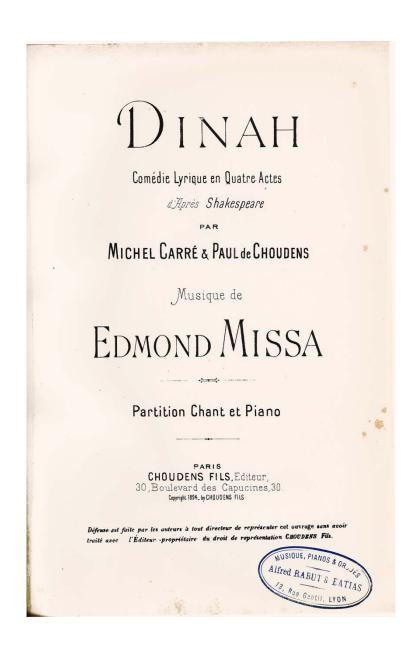


Manuscript vocal score version of Romeo's final aria, "Ah! Se tu dormi svegliati," in Vaccai's *Giulietta e Romeo*, as written out in a bound collection of manuscript music bearing the name Mrs. S. Smith.

### Edmond Missa (1861-1910): Dinah (1894)

Paris: Choudens, 1894.

Edmond Missa composed more than twenty operas, including *Dinah*, one of only seven operas based on Shakespeare's *Cymbeline* as listed in the *New Grove Dictionary of Opera*. The opera was premiered at the Théâtre de la Comédie-Parisienne on 25 June 1894. The libretto was by Michel-Antoine Carré. He was the son of Michel-Florentin, librettist of Gounod's *Roméo et Juliette* and *Hamlet* and Offenbach's *Les Contes des Hoffmann*.



#### DINAH Comédie lyrique en quatre actes Représentée pour la première fois à Paris, sur le Théâtre de la Comédie-Parisienne, le 25. Juin 1834. Direction de Mª ALBERT ALEXANDRE. MENTANO, Tehor ..... M! ENGEL. DINAH, Soprano ..... Melle MARCOLINI. FLORA, Chanteuse légère... Melle Rosatia LAMBRECHT. IACHIMO, Baryton ..... Mr MANOURY. PHILARIO, Basse chantante ..... M. R. LAFON. UN OFFICIER ...... M. CH. FABER. Seigneurs, Courtisanes \_ A Venise, XV.º Siècle. Chef d'Orchestre: Mr Albert Vizentini. Chef du Chant: ME BARRAS. Chef des Chieurs: Mr A. TORNIÉ. Régisseur-général: MI CHAVANON. Décors de MM. BUTEL et VALTON. - ACTE I. -Place publique devant le palais du seigneur Philario. SCENE II.... La fleur a son parfum ...... Mentano, Dinah ...... \_\_\_\_\_ .... Dinah! toujours à toi, je t'aime! ..... Mentano, Flora, Philario, Iachimo ..... 39 - ACTE II.-Le boudoir de Dinah. SCÈNE I Sur le flot bleu, Rêverie ...... Dinah ...... 57 - ACTE III.-Le bal masqué chez Philario SCÈNE V. .... Elle... ici!.. Dieu!... 126 - ACTE IV. -Place publique\_les engagements Pour toute la musique, la mise en scène, le droit de représentation, s'adresser à M. CHOUDENS Éditeur-propriétaire de DINAR pour tous pays. A.C. 8877.

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## members and directors of the original production are listed on a page preceding the score.

Frédéric Le Rey (1858-1942): La Mégère apprivoisée (1895) Paris: Paul Dupont, 1895.

Frédéric Le Rey composed *La Mégère apprivoisée* on a libretto by Émile Deshays based on Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew*. The premiere took place in December 1895 at the Théâtre-des-Arts de Rouen.

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Par Émile DESHAYS

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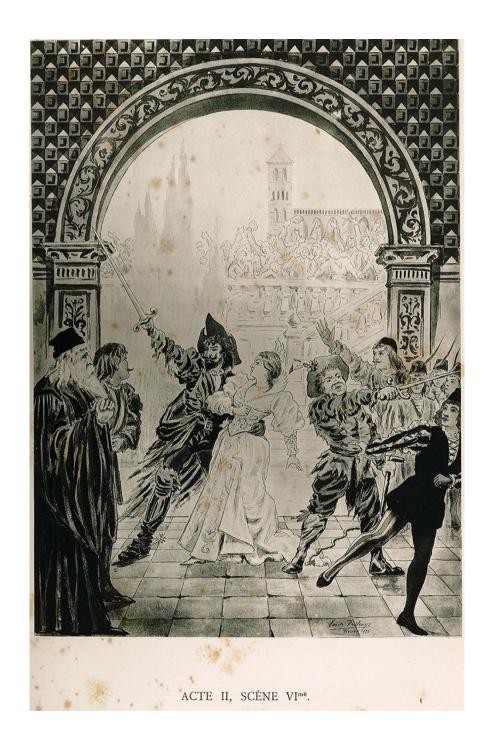
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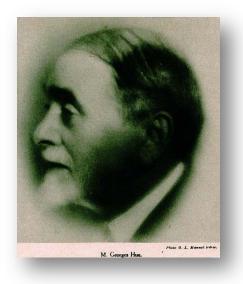
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## Georges Adolphe Hüe (1858-1948): Titania (1903)

Paris: Choudens, 1903.



Georges Adolphe Hüe composed his opera *Titania* using a libretto by Louis Gallet and André Corneau based on Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. The opera was premiered 20 January 1903 at the Théâtre National de l'Opéra-Comique.

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Direction de M! ALBERT CARRÉ

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UNE FÉE		CORTEZ
PHILIDA, favorite d'Obéron		CHASLES
YANN le Rimeur	MM.	MARÉCHAL
OBÉRON, roi des fées		
MATHIAS, berger		

Garçons, Jeunes Filles, Esprits de l'air, de la terre et des eaux.

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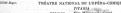
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Chef des Chœurs: MM. H. BÜSSER et H. CARRÉ

Danse réglée par Mme MARIQUITA

		ACTE I	
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		PRÉLUDE	
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SCÈNE	٧	YANN, TITANIA « Tes pieds légers, les pieds roses	
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		Le séjour féerique d'Obéron.	
		INTRODUCTION	89
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SCENE	11	OBÉRON, ROBIN, LES VOIX	
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		Paysage d'hiver.	
		PRÉLUDE	187
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SCENE		HERMINE, YANN, TITANIA, LES VOIX « La femme, toujours belle	
SCENE	111	HERMINE, YANN, OBERON « Non! fous!	
SCENE	1 V	MATHIAS « Les jours de rigueur	









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Leonard Bernstein (1918-1990): Four Movements from West Side Story arranged for solo piano by Leo Smit (1921-1999) New York: G. Schirmer, 1968.



Leo Smit was born in Philadelphia in 1921. After studies at Curtis Institute of Music and private studies in New York, Smit became a rehearsal pianist for George Balanchine's American Ballet Company in 1936. It was in that position that he met Igor Stravinsky during rehearsals of Stravinsky's ballet, *Jeu de Cartes*. Smit met Aaron Copland in 1943, and through Copland met Leonard Bernstein later the same year. In October 1946 Smit performed as the soloist in the world

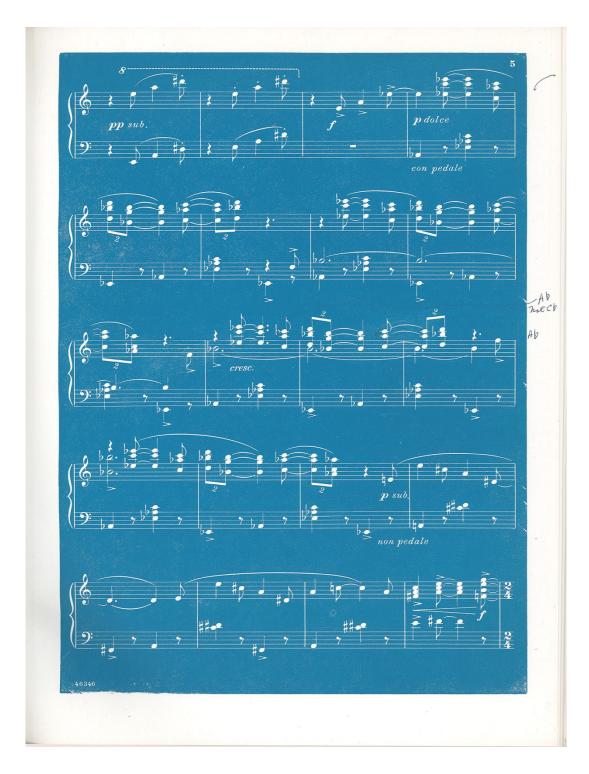
premiere of Copland's *Concerto for Piano and Orchestra* with the New York City Symphony, conducted by Leonard Bernstein.

Smit was hired as Slee Visiting Professor of Music at the University at Buffalo in 1962 and was appointed to the full-time music faculty in 1963. He taught both composition and piano in Buffalo until his retirement in 1998.

Leo Smit arranged four movements from Leonard Bernstein's musical, West Side Story, for solo piano in 1968 for publication by G. Schirmer. West

Side Story, with its book by Arthur Laurents and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, opened on Broadway 19 August 1957.





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## Additional display materials:

The broadsides on display are from the Music Library's Christopher Coover Collection of Theater Broadsides. The five broadsides on this wall were all for productions at Sadler's Wells Theatre in London, with announcements for performances of nine Shakespeare plays: Henry IV, Romeo and Juliet, Measure for Measure, The Tempest, The Merchant of Venice, Antony and Cleopatra, Macbeth, As you Like It, and Othello. Thirty four of Shakespeare's plays were performed at Sadler's Wells during the twenty years that Samuel Phelps was the theatrical manager. Among his other accomplishments, he was noted for performing Shakespeare from the original versions, not the altered versions that had previously been popular.

The playbill for Sadler's Wells dated 22 September 1849 contains an unusual statement: "... this evening, Friday, Sept. 21st, there will be no performance, in consequence of the Churchwardens of the Parish having appointed the day as one of humiliation and prayer." This is most likely due to the cholera epidemic that killed more than 33,000 people in Great Britain in 1849, including more than 13,000 people in London.

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To conclude with a Farce entitled

Whimsey, - Mr. A. YOUNGE, Lieutenant Talbot, Mr. MORTON, S. Clarisse,

E, Colonel Random, Sprace Mr. SCHARFE, Edward, Mr. WILKINS Mrs. LEIGH MURRAY.

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THIS EVENING, FRIDAY, Sept. 21st, there will be No Performance, In consequence of the Churchwardens of the Parish having appointed the Day as one of Humiliation and Prayer.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, Sept. 22nd, 1849, Will be presented (for the First Time at this Theatre) COLLEY CIBBER's Comedy of

Mr. F. FENTON. Don Manuel, - Mr A. YOUNGE
- Mr HENRY MARSTON
- Mr G. K. DICKINSON
- Mr BELFORD Mr HOSKINS
Vasquez, - Mr FRANKS
Corrigidore, Mr KNIGHT Soto, - - Mr C. FENTON
Alguazil, Mr HARRIS Rosara, - Miss T. BASSANO
Miss JULIA ST. GEORGE
Villeto Hypolita, -Mrs G, SMITH

Colonel Freelove,
Lord R vers,
— Mr WILLIAMS Mr HENRY MARSTON Mr BELFORD Groom, Mr DOLMAN Miss CARLSTEIN
Mrs. H. MARSTON Lady Elizabeth Freelovo,

Mrs. Davis,

To conclude with (FIFTH TIME) a New Farce, by J. WOOLER, on

Sir Andrew Grayling, -Mr. WILLIAMS

Mr. CLIN Frank Finish, Eaq

Harry Atherton,

Mr. FRANKS

Rose Everton,

Miss T. BASSANO

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With New Scenery, Dresses and Decorations, is unadvoidably postponed until October.

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Lash - Mr. CHAPMAN Chargewell - Mr. MEAGRESON

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Alice, Mrs J. B. HILL Phobe, Miss HART Amelia, Miss GRAY Bridesmaids - Misses MORELLI & POOLE

Blanche Harcourt

Miss CAROLINE PAREES

On SATURDAY, (First Time this Season) Shakespeare's Tragedy of

ETI.

Macbeth

Mr. PHELPS

In consequence of the Continued Attraction attendant on the Performance of The

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IT WILL BE REPEATED ON THURSDAY AND FRIDAY NEXT.

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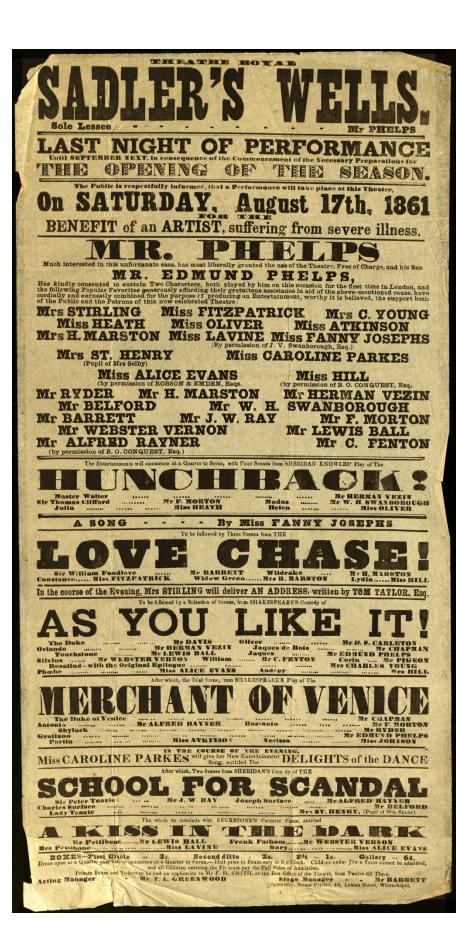
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Brabantio

Gratiano (Brother to Brabantio)

Lodovico (Kinsman to Brabantio)

Mr. C. LLOYDS

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Cassio (his Lieutenant)

Mr. ESCOTT SHELLEY

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Mr. E. F. EDGAR

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Mr. LEWIS BALL

Montano (Othello's Predecessor in the Government of Cyprus)

Mr. A. MONTAGUE

Antonio Mr. REGAN

Marco Mr. HORTON

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Giovanni Mr. BENDER

Luca Mr. WILLSON

Messenger Mr. RICHARDS

Desdemona (Daughter to Brabantio, and Wife to Othello)

Mrs. DOWTON

Officers, Gentlemen, Senators, Messengers, Sailors, Attendants, &c.

Scene—Act I.. VENICE. During the rest of the Play,

AT A SEAPORT IN CYPRUS.

Characteristic Pas Seul by Miss ROSA NATHAN.

To conclude with (First Time) a NEW COMIC DRAMA, written by the Author of "Two Heads are
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Mr. Moneygrub
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Frank Flexible
(his Friend, a young Midshipman in the "Invincible") Mr. C. CROOK
Bill Tackle
Florence
(Nice to Mr. Moneygrub)
Mr. DJOHNSTONE
(Confidential Attendant upon Florence)
Miss EMILY DOWTON
Mrs. Olderaft
(a Widow Lady, Friend to Mr. Moneygrub)
Ladies and Gentlemen, Hindoo Servants, Sailors, &c.

TIME-1858. Scene-GABDEN REACH, CALCUTTA.

BALLET OF NAUTCH GIBLS.

On WEDNESDAY, Oct. 29th, Shakespeare's Play of The MERCHANT OF VENICE.

Shylock,

Mr. PHELPS' Farewell Benefit, and Last Performance but One at this Theatre, on THURSDAY Evening, Nov. 6th.

Stage Manager,

Mr. John St. Loke.

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Duncan, King of Scotland, Mr. THOMPSON.

Macbeth,

Macbeth,

Mr. MACREL,

Mr. G. BENNETT,

Fleance, Miss LANE,

First Officer, Mr. J. WEBSTER,

Lady Macbeth, Mrs. W. WEST,

Witches.—Hecate, Mr. RANSFORD,

Jordan, Willis, Marcan, Jones, Williams, Smithson, Tomlinson, Scarth and Preston.

Singing Witches.—Mr. COLLINS, Mr. LAND, Mr. GREEN, Mr. SHTON, Mr. GLEDHILL, Mr. LLOYD, Miss LAND,

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Clopin, (King of the Beggars) Mr. RANSFORD, with Nelson's Song of
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Herald, Mr. BENDER,

Esmeralda, (the Cypsey Girl of Notre Dame) Miss VINGENT,
Madame Gondelaurier, Miss LEE,

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Lon, Mr. Macready, Adrastus, Mr. Wandonhof, Clemanthe, Miss Helen Fasedt. After which, the Original Drama of THE COUNTRY SQUIRE—Squire Broadlands, Mr. W. Farren, Temperance, Mrs. Giover, Fanny Markhum, Miss Vincesut, To conclude with THE MODERN ORPHEUS.

On Saturday, there will be no Performance, in order to give every facility to the production of the New Tragedy on Monday.

On Monday, will be produced a New Historical Tragedy, to be called

STRAFFORD.

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On Tuesday, (6th time) BRIAN BOROHME; or, the Maid of Erin. After which, (11th time) THE MODERN ORPHEUS: or, Music the Food of Love
To conclude with the Melo-Drama of THE WOODMAN'S HUT.

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# ROYAL ITALIAN OPERA

THIS EVENING, THURSDAY, March, 29th, 1860.

o at To'clock, with the Wirst Act of Sir BULWER LYTTON's celebrated Play of

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Also displayed were the following images of Shakespeare characters from operas and ballets.



Mario Del Monaco as Otello in the 1956 Metropolitan Opera production of Verdi's Otello Photograph by Sedge LeBlang

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Tito Gobbi as Sir John Falstaff in Verdi's *Falstaff* Unidentified Photographer

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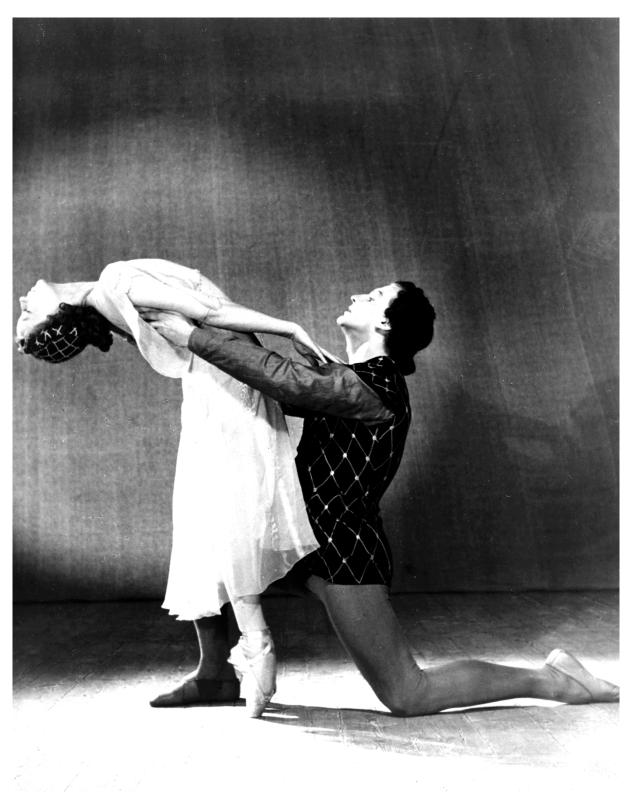
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Moira Shearer as Titania and Robert Helpmann as Oberon in an Old Vic Company production of *Midsummer Night's Dream*, choreographed by Helpmann with music by Mendelssohn Unidentified photographer

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