

“**Black Swan**”, *The Medium* (Gian Carlo Menotti – music and libretto)

The sun has fallen and it lies in blood.  
[ðə sʌn hæz 'fɔ:lən ænd it laɪz ɪn blʌd

The moon is weaving bandages of gold.  
ðə mu:n ɪz 'wi:vɪŋ 'bændɪdʒɪz ɒv ɡoʊld

O black swan, where, oh, where is my lover gone?  
oʊ blæk swɒn weə(r) ʊw weər\_ɪz maɪ 'lʌvə ɡɒn

Torn and tattered is my bridal gown,  
tɔ:n ænd 'tætəd ɪz maɪ 'braɪdəl ɡaʊn

And my lamp is lost, and my lamp is lost.  
ænd maɪ læmp ɪz lɒst ænd maɪ læmp ɪz lɒst

With silver needles and with silver thread,  
wɪθ 'sɪlvə 'ni:dəlz ænd wɪθ 'sɪlvə θreð

The stars stitch a shroud for the dying sun.  
ðə stɑ:z\_stɪtʃ ə ʃraʊd fɔ: ðə 'daɪɪŋ sʌn

O black swan, where, oh, where has my lover gone?  
oʊ blæk swɒn weə(r) ʊw weə hæz maɪ 'lʌvə ɡɒn

I had given him a kiss of fire,  
aɪ hæd 'ɡɪvən hɪm ə kɪs ɒv\_ 'faɪə

And a golden ring, and a golden ring.  
ænd ə 'ɡoʊldən rɪŋ ænd ə 'ɡoʊldən rɪŋ

Don't you hear your lover moan?  
daʊnt ju: hɪə ʃɔ: 'lʌvə moʊn

Eyes of glass and feet of stone,  
aɪz ɒv ɡlɑ:s ænd fi:t ɒv stəʊn

Shells for teeth and weeds for tongue,  
ʃɛlz fɔ: ti:θ ænd wi:dz fɔ: tʌŋ

Deep, deep, down in the river's bed,  
di:p di:p daʊn ɪn ðə 'rɪvəz bɛd

He's looking for the ring.

hi:z 'lʊkɪŋ fɔ: ðə rɪŋ

Eyes wide open, never asleep,

aɪz waɪd 'oʊpən 'neɪvər\_ʌ 'sli:p

He's looking for the ring, looking for the ring.

hi:z 'lʊkɪŋ fɔ: ðə rɪŋ 'lʊkɪŋ fɔ: ðə rɪŋ

The spools unravel and the needles break,

ðə spu:lz ʌn 'rævəl ænd ðə 'ni:dəlz breɪk

The sun is buried and the stars weep.

ðə sʌn ɪz 'berɪd ænd ðə stɑ:z wi:p

O black wave, O black wave, take me away with you.

oʊ blæk weɪv oʊ blæk weɪv teɪk mi: ə 'wei wið ju:

I will share with you my golden hair,

aɪ wɪl ʃeə wið ju: maɪ 'gəʊldən heə

And my bridal crown, and my bridal crown.

ænd maɪ 'braɪdəl kraʊn ænd maɪ 'braɪdəl kraʊn

Oh, take me down with you

oʊ teɪk mi: daʊn wið ju:

Take me down to my wand'ring lover

teɪk mi: daʊn tu: maɪ wɒndrɪŋ 'lʌvə

With my child unborn, with my child unborn.

wɪð maɪ tʃaɪld ʌn 'bɔ:n wið maɪ tʃaɪld ʌn 'bɔ:n]