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Abstract

In North American colleges, universities, and conservatories it is not uncommon to find the main languages required of music students to be French, Italian, German, and English. Beyond the scope of these four most common languages, Russian, Spanish, and Czech are sung by more advanced or native singers of the languages; however, many other languages seem to be ignored in academia in both solo performance as well as in choral settings. It is a disservice to limit the scope of languages and repertoire when there exists a plethora of rarely performed compositions; moreover, it is not reasonable for these institutions to limit student's learning because of this "tradition." Among the overlooked are the Scandinavian languages. This document will specifically address the repertoire of the most renowned Norwegian composer of the nineteenth century, Edvard Grieg (1843-1907). There exist but two published works that provide a singer with the resources to learn the pronunciation of curated Grieg selections. Neither of these resources was written by native Norwegian speakers; therefore, utilizing my linguistic skills as a native speaker and singer I intend this document to be a contribution toward the goal of providing near-native, accurate International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) transliterations of three song cycles representing Grieg's early, middle, and late writing.

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Chapter One: Introduction

Like many young singers at universities whose language skills go beyond English, I wished to explore music that incorporated my native tongue; therefore, I turned to the music of Edvard Grieg, selecting his "top hits," *En drøm*, and *I rosentiden*. It was not until years later I discovered that I had misrepresented Grieg's original composition.

These selected songs were written to German poetry and, therefore, should have been performed in German as *Ein Traum* and *Zur Rosenzeit*. My discovery ignited my desire to make it possible for singers to approach Grieg's music without the hesitation and fear of misrepresentation or mispronunciation. Having found myself presenting Grieg's music in multiple settings I can state with great confidence that Edvard Grieg's works deserve a place in repertoire selection and on international stages, especially with regard to his sensitivity in composing for the voice.

A contemporary of Grieg, critic/historian, Daniel Gregory Mason, remarked, 'His lovely and too little known songs are unique in their delicate voicing of the tenderest, most elusive personal feeling, as well as in their consummate *finesse* of workmanship...[These songs] are often as spontaneous as Schubert's, as impassioned as Schumann's, and as finished in art as Robert Franz's. And they are admirably adapted to the voice.'1

Grieg's music in many ways is highly accessible for all voice types and difficulty levels, yet the largest barrier is that singers, naturally, wish not to approach a language in which they have no knowledge without the appropriate and necessary resources. This is most

¹ Jarrett, Sandra. Edvard Grieg and his Songs. Ashgate Publishing Company, 2003, pp. 16-17.

likely why most versions of Grieg songs are performed in German. However, therein lies a larger problem, Astra Desmond states it best:

The similarities between German and Norwegian should make translating into the former language comparatively easy, but even if well done, there is a loss of colour and a heaviness which is almost worse than a complete change of sound. The Scandinavian consonants are light and 'clean'-sounding, e.g. 'Min svane, du stumme, du stille' (with clear 's' sounds as in English) compared with 'Mein Schwan, du stummer, du stiller,' with the thick German 'sh' sound. A critic once remarked that when sung in Norwegian, 'the whole atmosphere of the songs changed from the fustiness of later nineteenth-century German romanticism to the bright clean air of the fjords.'2

Clarifying this importance for accessible transliterations has been a driving force in my writing this document: to provide a few more cycles, by pushing past the Norwegian borders, in the hopes of making Edvard Grieg a choice when selecting music as a singer or for a student internationally.

The opus-numbered works that have been selected for this document represent Grieg's early (op. 9), middle (op. 39), and later period (op.70). Op. 9 showcases Edvard Grieg's first "Dano-Norwegian" cycle. Op. 39 represents the evolution of the Norwegian language with the use of both *Riksmål* and *Landsmål*. Op. 70, Grieg's last opus-numbered song cycle, shows his dramatic expression and evolution in compositional style.

It should be mentioned that this document will provide the portion of IPA with which a non-native singer may have difficulty; transcription not translation. It is the aim of this document to provide the context of the opus-numbered cycles within the sociopolitical climate of the era as well as its impact on poetry and compositional style.

² Desmond, Astra. "The Songs" *Grieg; a Symposium*, edited by Abraham, Gerald, Greenwood Press, 1975, p. 73.

This will be done by way of an altered version of Alfred Cortot's³ analytical sketch formula. Throughout my research, I found that Finnish Mezzo-Soprano Monica Groop recorded the entirety of Grieg's vocal works, of which a majority of the recordings were supported by the beautiful artistry of world-renowned collaborative pianist and coach Roger Vignoles. In an email interview, Mr. Vignoles provided me with invaluable insight into his experience performing Edvard Grieg's vocal works, which I think will provide additional perspective.

Each cycle has been selected with at least one song previously transcribed into IPA. I have indicated the IPA modifications that I, as a native speaker, believe provide a more authentic representation of the Norwegian pronunciation. Finally, I have provided an in-depth chart of Edvard Grieg's opus-numbered works with important details useful to the singer, teacher, and collaborative pianist. This has been done through the use of the Edition Peters, *Grieg Gesamt Ausgabe* (GGA): *Sämtliche Lieder* Volumes I⁴ (op. 2-49) and II⁵ (op. 58-70, EG 121-157).

This document in no way solves the issue that there exists no concise resource of IPA for Edvard Grieg's lyric output, but addresses a deficiency in the traditional languages offered in academia and seeks to provide singers, teachers, vocal coaches, and collaborative pianists with fourteen selections from which to explore.

³ Cortot, Alfred, Thieffry, Jeanne. Cours d'Interprétation. Da Capo Press, New York, 1989. p. 19.

⁴ Grieg, Edvard. Sämtliche Lieder. Volume I. Edition Peters, Leipzig, 2001.

⁵ Grieg, Edvard. Sämtliche Lieder. Volume II. Edition Peters, Leipzig, 2001.

Chapter Two: Linguistic Evolution in Norway

Norwegian belongs to the North-Germanic group of Indo-European languages. It has evolved from *Urnordisk* (200-700AD) to the Vikings Old Norse (750-1050) which ended with the arrival of Christianity. The assimilation of the Latin alphabet and Christianity, with that of the Vikings *fubark*, ⁶ continued for another 300 years. The period following can be referred to as Middle Norwegian, spanning history between the Bubonic plague or black death (1347-1353) until the end of the Kalmar Union⁷ (1397-1523), as well as the Reformation (1517-1648). The preservation of the language, by way of the few literate persons, was greatly affected by the loss of nearly half of Norway's population during the Bubonic plague. Between the years of 1524 to 1814, Norway entered in union with Denmark, which eventually became a Danish-dominated rule. Danish Riksmål (National Language), became the prominent language of the uppermiddle-class, and church services and Bibles were presented and printed in *Riksmål*; furthermore, Norwegian laws were printed in Danish, resulting in considerable ramifications on the Norwegian language. Throughout Danish rule, the large population of Norwegians who were not considered to be upper-middle-class dispersed throughout all of Norway's countryside and developed their own unique and distinct dialects. On May 17, 1814 (Norway's Independence Day), also called syttende Mai, Norway gained

⁶ A runic alphabet consisting of 16 letters, utilized from the eighth to twelfth centuries.

⁷ A union between Denmark, Sweden, and Norway from 1397-1523.

its independence from Denmark only to fall under Swedish rule two months later which lasted until 1905.

Carl Johan invaded Norway in July 1814 and quickly suppressed the Norwegian forces. On 14 August 1814, a peace treaty was signed in Moss, and following negotiations conducted throughout the autumn, Norway entered into a union with Sweden. However, between the signing of the Kiel Treaty in January and the establishment of the union, several significant events had taken place: Norway had managed to join the union as an independent state with its own constitution, and for a few months it had once again had its own king –Prince Christian Frederik of Denmark.⁸

This political union, however, did not have any language consequences as a result, unlike that with Denmark.

Based on this brief history of language in Norway, one can identify that until 1814 Norway had no true written language of its own. Even after Danish rule, Norway struggled to establish a national identity. The romantic movement brought about the importance of nationalism and perpetuated the pursuit of a national identity. Three arguments for written language-development ensued. The first option proposed to keep Danish, the second option would create a new written norm based on rural dialects, and the third option proposed to "Norwegianize" Danish. Because of the strong pull towards separation from Denmark the first option was abandoned. During the mid-nineteenth century "the standard written language used at the time was almost purely Danish, although the pronunciation was not the same as that used in Denmark. Some writers, including Ibsen and Bjørnson, wanted to 'Norwegianize' this existing language by

⁸ "Kielfreden." *Det Norske Kongehus*, 14 Jan. 2014, www.kongehuset.no/artikkel.html? tid=29307&sek=26976. Accessed 8 Apr. 2020.

making the written form correspond to the spoken sounds." This 'Norwegianization' of Danish caused the Norwegian phonemes to take precedent, resulting in the degradation of the Danish elements. Grammarian and educator Knud Knudsen (1812-1895) is notably the most influential contributor to the development of what is considered Norwegian today.

Knudsen often called the standard he was aiming for 'Dano-Norwegian,' a name that pointed both to the point of departure (Danish) and the end goal of the programme (Norwegian). His approach to language planning was both original and creative. Today's Bokmål is very much the result of his ideas and his lifelong work. No other national standard in Europe has a history at all resembling that of Norwegian Bokmål in having been developed incrementally out of another language. ¹⁰

Knudsen devoted his life to language reform in Norway and supported his endeavour through his multiple publications advocating for written language to correspond to pronunciation.

Knudsen's reasons for supporting a more orthophonic spelling system were both pedagogical and democratic in nature; he stated that adoption of this principle would make it much easier for the general public to learn to read and write. However, the consequence of doing this would be quite different in Norway and Denmark, since the pronunciation of the language was so different in the two countries. This is clearly manifested in Knudsen's early publications (1845,1850), in which he argued that the Dano-Norwegian creoloid, or upper-middle-class speech, was the spoken variety in Norway on which spelling

⁹ Foster, Beryl. *The Songs of Edvard Grieg*. Boydell, 2007 p. 123.

¹⁰ "A Language Based on Upper-Middle-Class Speech or Peasant Dialects?: The Programmes Proposed by Knud Knudsen and Ivar Aasen." *Language Planning as a Sociolinguistic Experiment: The Case of Modern Norwegian*, by Ernst Håkon Jahr, Edinburgh University Press, Edinburgh, 2014, pp. 35–56. *JSTOR*, www.jstor.org/stable/10.3366/j.ctt9qds08.8. Accessed 1 Apr. 2020.

reforms of the Danish standard should be based in order to develop a specifically Norwegian standard.¹¹

Knudsen rationalized this decision based on the multitude of regions utilizing diverse dialects versus the large population of the bourgeoisie who spoke the same language. It would, therefore, be easier for the large upper-middle-class population to learn one new language versus the many dialects.

One salient Norwegian feature he specifically focused on was the use of /p, t, k/ for Danish /b, d, g/ after long vowels, for example Dan. tab > tap ('loss'), Dan. mad > mat ('food'), Dan. tag > tak ('roof'). He also wanted to introduce shorter Norwegian-style forms of some frequently used verbs, for example ha < Dan. have ('have'), la < Dan. lade ('let'), si < Dan. sige ('say'), ta < Dan. tage ('take'), as well as for the kinship terms bror < Dan. broder ('brother'), broder ('father') and broder ('mother'). broder ('mother'). broder ('father') and broder ('mother'). broder ('mother').

These alterations can be seen in the spelling of names. For instance, Knud Knudsen was given the name during Danish rule which resulted in the /d/ versus the current spelling Knut. Despite Independence, between the 1830s and 1850s, the elite continued to follow the Danish linguistic trends. "The reason for this was the predominant view among the elite that cultural ideas had traditionally come from the Danish capital, and language was seen as a natural part of the culture and refinement desired by the Norwegian bourgeoisie." Because the largest "offenders" of the continued use of Danicisation were those who supported the arts, Knudsen focused his attention on the theatre. This usage

¹¹ "A Language Based on Upper-Middle-Class Speech or Peasant Dialects?: The Programmes Proposed by Knud Knudsen and Ivar Aasen." *Language Planning as a Sociolinguistic Experiment: The Case of Modern Norwegian*, by Ernst Håkon Jahr, Edinburgh University Press, Edinburgh, 2014, pp. 35–56. *JSTOR*, www.jstor.org/stable/10.3366/j.ctt9qds08.8. Accessed 1 Apr. 2020. p. 42.

¹² Jahr 41.

¹³ Jahr 39.

was pervasive especially in the theatre of Norway's capital city Christiania (Modern day Oslo). Knudsen "especially disliked the use of non-palatalised /k/ and /g/ before non-low vowels and diphthongs: words such as *kiste* ('chest'), *kære* ('dear'), *keiser* ('emperor'), *gift* ('poison') and *gyse* ('shiver') were pronounced with a /k/ or /g/ in Danish, but Knudsen promoted the Norwegian palatal pronunciation of these consonants, /ç/ and /j/, in such contexts." This campaign in time began to grow in popularity, resulting in the "Norwegianization" of Danish. The two last options in regard to the development of language in Norway were brought to fruition by philologist and poet Ivar Aasen (1813-1896), who spent nearly four years traveling throughout the rural areas of Norway, culminating in the creation of a new Norwegian language based on Old Norse and the diverse rural dialects he encountered across Norway. The birth of this new national language, *Landsmål* (land pronunciation) was meant to give an identity all its own to the Norwegian people and completely separate from that of Dano-Norwegian.

Aasen was very conscious of the sociopolitical and sociolinguistic aspects of his language programme, and emphasised both elements in his work. His programme was thus both nationalist and socially revolutionary in nature. The idea that the national language of Norway should act as a common denominator for all rural, low-status dialects, to the exclusion of the spoken variety of the upper-middle-classes, has motivated thousands of people over the years to join the Landsmål/Nynorsk movement in order to develop it and expand its use into new areas. 15

¹⁴ "A Language Based on Upper-Middle-Class Speech or Peasant Dialects?: The Programmes Proposed by Knud Knudsen and Ivar Aasen." *Language Planning as a Sociolinguistic Experiment: The Case of Modern Norwegian*, by Ernst Håkon Jahr, Edinburgh University Press, Edinburgh, 2014, pp. 35–56. *JSTOR*, www.jstor.org/stable/10.3366/j.ctt9qds08.8. Accessed 1 Apr. 2020.

¹⁵ Jahr 45.

It is interesting to note that "while Norway before 1840 did not have any language of its own, fifteen years later it had two." ¹⁶ During Edvard Grieg's life, the following evolution occurred: "Norwegianization" of Danish, a new "peoples language" was created, and by the end of his life both *Landsmål* and *Riksmål* were official languages.

Danish and Norwegian possess more similarities to written language than Swedish, despite Sweden's shared border. However, in 1862 Knudsen furthered the spelling reform to allow for a more distinct difference between written Danish and written Norwegian. The largest implementers of this reform were poets Bjørnstjerne Bjørnson and Henrik Ibsen, to which Edvard Grieg set music.

In Norway today both *Nynorsk* and *Bokmål* are utilized in written form, though *Bokmål* is the dominant form. In general, because of the similarities across the three languages, most speakers of these languages share a high degree of mutual intelligibility. In this document *Riksmål* (a precursor of *Bokmål*) and *Landsmål* (a precursor of *Nynorsk*) will be referred to by their modern names respectively *Bokmål* and *Nynorsk*.

Grieg had an affinity for poetry and language. More important than Edvard Grieg
— in regard to language— are the poets with which he chose to set his music. He
carefully selected poetry and composed accordingly to the setting and language of the
poet. The poets discussed in this document highlight the linguistic breadth from which
Edvard Grieg partook, and which he promoted. The following poets will be discussed in
the following chapters covering the following characteristics— Dano-Norwegian,

¹⁶ Foster, Beryl. *The Songs of Edvard Grieg*. Boydell, 2007 p. 124.

Nationalism, Nynorsk, and Danish: Andreas Munch (1811-1884), Bjørnstjerne Bjørnson (1832-1910), Jonas Lie (1833-1908), Kristoffer Janson (1841-1917), Olaf Peder Monrad (1849-1920), Otto Benzon (1856-1927).

The aforementioned linguistic evolution is particularly important with respect to Grieg's Opus, as this progression can be seen throughout his vocal works and tells the story of language development in Norway. However, because of the metamorphoses of the language, it has brought forth many questions as to what should be the appropriate formula for pronunciation. It is important to note that the majority of Norwegians speak the dialect of the region in which they were reared. The school systems are required to acknowledge the student's individual pronunciation. Based on my personal experience and with the agreement of Anna Hersey's statement, there exists no pronunciation norm.

Although its *written* forms have been highly debated, modified, and codified, spoken Norwegian lacks official norms of pronunciation. *Språkrådet*¹⁷ does not dictate pronunciation, and most Norwegian dictionaries do not include phonetic transcription... In short, no official spoken norm of Norwegian exists. In fact, the official policy of *Språkrådet* is that *there should not be*, a reflection of the ideology that 'all spoken varieties of Norwegian shall be considered of equal status.' 18

¹⁷ The Language Council of Norway

¹⁸ Hersey, Anna. *Scandinavian Song: a Guide to Swedish, Norwegian, and Danish Repertoire and Diction.* Rowman & Littlefield, 2016. pp. 66-67.

Chapter Three: Norwegian Diction

As the primary purpose of this document is to remove apprehension when approaching this foreign language called Norwegian, it is, therefore, important to shed light on its linguistic properties. For those who already speak English, it should remove some fear to know that according to the U.S. Department of State *American Foreign Service Institute* (FSI) Norwegian falls in Category I of languages easiest to acquire both in terms of time and its similarities to the English language.

The following language learning timelines reflect 70 years of experience in teaching languages to U.S. diplomats, and illustrate the time *usually* required for a student to reach "Professional Working Proficiency" in the language, or a score of "Speaking-3/Reading-3" on the Interagency Language Roundtable scale. These timelines are based on what FSI has observed as the *average* length of time for a student to achieve proficiency, though the actual time can vary based on a number of factors, including the language learner's natural ability, prior linguistic experience, and time spent in the classroom.¹⁹

According to the FSI, it would take a student twenty-four weeks or six-hundred class hours to reach proficiency, in comparison to the thirty-six weeks and nine-hundred hours for German. In response to a question about what Roger Vignoles thought of the Norwegian language, he stated, "Easier than Finnish! But probably a bit trickier than Swedish—I find some of the vowels, especially the diphthongs, harder to pronounce. ... All I can say is that I always enjoy playing for Scandinavian languages, all of which have a very particular colour."²⁰

¹⁹ "Foreign Language Training - United States Department of State." *U.S. Department of State*, U.S. Department of State, www.state.gov/foreign-language-training/. Accessed 1 Apr. 2020.

²⁰ Vignoles, Roger. E-mail interview. Conducted by Caroline Bergan, 20 April, 2020.

Linguistic Properties

After the Latin alphabet was adopted, as previously mentioned, the Norwegian alphabet was for all intents and purposes, the Danish Alphabet. It consisted of twenty-nine letters, three more than the English alphabet. These extra letters were α , β , and aa. Due to further spelling reforms, in 1917 the Norwegian alphabet exchanged the aa for a. Because this change was not added until after Grieg's death in 1914, one will find the modern-day a spelled as aa. Although the majority of the selections presented in this document utilize the aa, an interesting inclusion of the a, before it became officially part of the alphabet, is found used by Bjørnstjerne Bjørnson in the original manuscript. For instance, in Op. 39 Nr. 1, Fra Monte Pincio "Aftenen kommer, Solen sta" this shows Bjørnson's promotion of "Dano-Norwegian" or "Norwegianization" before its official application.



Figure 1. Norwegian Alphabet

Vowels and Consonants

Norwegian is composed of nine long and short vowel pairs. This differs in relation to German as the long and short pairs in German produce a large quality difference versus that of the Norwegian pairs. In relation to English, there are only five vowels in common.

Vowels [\mathfrak{u} :], [\mathfrak{u}], [\mathfrak{y} :], [\mathfrak{g} :], [\mathfrak{g} :], [\mathfrak{w} :], [\mathfrak{w} :], and [\mathfrak{v}] are *outrounded*, requiring not only a round but also a protruded lip position, exposing the teeth. Kristoffersen notes that in [\mathfrak{y} :] and [\mathfrak{y}], 'the lips are protruded and farther apart' than other outrounded vowels. Vowels [\mathfrak{a} :],[\mathfrak{a}], [\mathfrak{i} :], [\mathfrak{i}], [\mathfrak{w} :], [\mathfrak{w}], [\mathfrak{w} :], and [\mathfrak{s}] are unrounded.

In speech, [e:] is slightly diphthongized; in singing the vowels should maintain one articulatory position.²¹

It is in my opinion that the importance placed on exposing teeth is less important than expressed in the previous quote. My own morphology while producing these vowels indicates that the use of teeth showing is unnecessary and may cause an undesired affected vowel production. Inspiration from Ophaug's table (Figure 2), from the article *Troubleshooting Norwegian Pronunciation in Classical Singing*, is utilized, as it demonstrates the most accurate representation of the method for transcription in this document.

²¹ Hersey, Anna. *Scandinavian Song: a Guide to Swedish, Norwegian, and Danish Repertoire and Diction.* Rowman & Littlefield, 2016. p. 48.

IPA	Norwegian example	English equivalent	German equivalent	Comments
i:	biten	beat	bieten	
I	bitt, sitte	bit	bitte	The German and the English vowels have a more open articulation than the Norwegian one.
y:	lys, kyse, dyne			
Y	lyst, kysse, hytte			
u:	Gud, bu, dun		S ü d, D ü ne	
u	g u tten, sl u tt		H ü tte	
e:	b e , l e se		(beten)	Somewhat more open in Norwegian than in German.
ε	b e dt, s e tte	bed	Bett	
ø:	løse, møte		(lösen)	Somewhat more open in Norwegian than in German.
œ	løsne, møtte		k ö nnen	
æ:	være, h e r			
æ	tverr, gjerrig	rat		
a:	sa, lat, rar	father		
a	satt, mann			
o:	lå, kåpe		(loben)	Somewhat more open in Norwegian than in German.
5	lokk, hoppe, nok		Loch	
u:	to, rote, von		Rute	Same quality in German and Norwegian.
υ	t u ng, v o nd		und	Somewhat more open in German.
ә	Jent e , les e		bitte, lese	Unrounded in Norwegian, often somewhat round in German.
aı	mai	lye		
ЭY	oj	boy		
ει	grei, leike			
œı	øy, høyt			
æu	sau, haug			

Figure 2. Vowel qualities in Norwegian with reference to German and English. ²²

²² Ophaug, Wencke. *Troubleshooting Norwegian Pronunciation in Classical Singing*. Journal of Singing. September/October 2012. Volume 69, No. 1, p. 50.

[a:] [a]

Singers approaching the $[\alpha:]$, $[\alpha]$ in Norwegian should be aware that it is darker (open and back) in nature than in German or English and does not alter its property based on length. "Ellingboe compares it ($[\alpha]$) with the German /a/ in <fahren> or in English <father>. This is incorrect." ²³

[a:] Equivalent: English: fought German: none

[a] Equivalent: English: none German: none

[e:] [ɛ] [ə]

When referring to the Ophaug table on the previous page, be advised that it is in my opinion that the *schwa* should <u>not be utilized</u>, as oftentimes English speakers tend to exaggerate the *schwa*, which would not be effective for the Norwegian pronunciation. [e:] is a mid-closed forward vowel requiring the tongue in a significantly higher position that English speakers and slightly more open than German speakers. Its tongue placement properties are similar to German but its position is not, as the German [e:] is slightly higher on the vowel placement chart.

[e:] Equivalent: English: ch**a**otic German: tr**e**ten

[ɛ] Equivalent: English: egg German: Bett

[y:] and [y]

The inconsistencies within publications are spotted when discussing these two different phonemes. Hersey disregards this distinction in notation and instead utilizes [y]. It is my opinion that the short rounded [y] (close and front) symbol should be utilized when

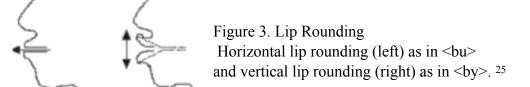
²³ Ophaug, Wencke. *Troubleshooting Norwegian Pronunciation in Classical Singing*. Journal of Singing. September/October 2012. Volume 69, No. 1, pp. 49-50.

followed by more than one consonant and should be articulated with a lower tongue than the [y:]. "Norwegian, like Swedish, is known to have a very 'exotic' rounded vowel. This vowel is articulated with a vertical lip rounding, or outrounding, a feature seldom encountered in the languages of the world...a Norwegian [y:] sounds like an [i:] to German ears."²⁴

A visual representation of the lips' shape required is featured in Figure 3.

[y:] Equivalent: English: none German: none

[y] Equivalent: English: none German: none



[u:] [u]

The darker counterpart of the [y:] is the [u:]. This closed and centralized vowel is produced with an in-rounding of the lips. "It is important to notice that the Norwegian [u:] is the closest equivalent to the German [y:]."²⁶

[u:] Equivalent: English: none German: müde

[u] Equivalent: English: none German: Hütte

²⁴ Ophaug, Wencke. *Troubleshooting Norwegian Pronunciation in Classical Singing*. Journal of Singing. September/October 2012. Volume 69, No. 1, pp 52.

²⁵ Sturla Høyem and A. Wilhelm Zickfeldt, *Deutsche Lautlehre*. Tapir Akademisk Forlag, Trondheim. 2000.

²⁶ Ophaug 53.

[i:] [I]

The symbol distinction between these two vowels has been omitted from Hersey's publication. It is my opinion that the utilization of the [I] symbol is important for differentiation. The [I] occurs when followed by two consonants. "The long vowel [i:] has the same quality in German, English, and Norwegian. The short one, [I], has a higher tongue position than both the German and the English counterpart."²⁷

[i:] Equivalent: English: feet German: mieten

[I] Equivalent: English: fit German: mitte

[u:] [v]

The short [v] (close and back) requires a slightly more open and relaxed lip opening. The long [u:] is the same as found in German.

[u:] Equivalent: English: none German: Rute

[v] Equivalent: English: none German: und

[ø:] [œ]

[ø:] is a long forward closed-mid position vowel and [œ] is its short counterpart which occurs before two consonants.

[ø:] Equivalent: English: none German: b**ö**sen

[œ] Equivalent: English: none German: können

²⁷ Ophaug, Wencke. *Troubleshooting Norwegian Pronunciation in Classical Singing*. Journal of Singing. September/October 2012. Volume 69, No. 1, p.51.

[o:] [ɔ]

These long and short pairs are both mid-open back vowels whereby the [5] is slightly more open than in German. The English equivalent of the [6:] should be produced with exaggerated outrounding and a smaller lip opening.

[o:] Equivalent: English: obey (unstressed) German: loben

[5] Equivalent: English: $ought^{28}$ German: doch

[æ:] [æ]

This almost completely front open vowel exhibits little difference between the short and long varieties. Though this letter and IPA symbol may differ from what most English speaking students are familiar with utilizing it has an easily relatable English equivalent.

[æ:] Equivalent: English: none German: none

[æ] Equivalent: English: sat German: none

Figure 4 below is a quadrilateral for the Norwegian language for reference.

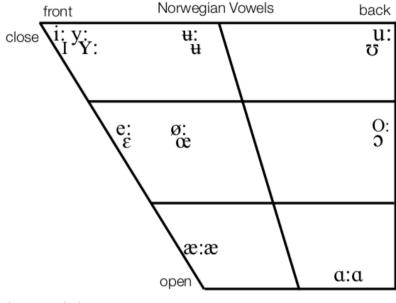


Figure 4. Vowel Chart

²⁸ received pronunciation

[b] [p] [d] [t] [g] [k]

The Norwegian consonants are [b],[p],[d],[t],[g],[k]. As in English and in German, the unvoiced of the pairs is aspirated in a stressed syllable in first position. This is natural and common among German and English speakers but requires attention from those whose language does not naturally possess this property, such as French and Italian. The only adjustment is that "the plosive [t] and [d] are articulated slightly further forward than in English, becoming denti-alveolar."²⁹

[f] [v] [s] [ç] [j] [ʃ] [h]

These fricatives are the same as in German. "It is important to note that Norwegian does not have a voiced [z]. Foreign singers often tend to use this consonant in whatever position it would occur in their own native tongue." ³⁰

[m] [n] [ŋ]

The nasals in Norwegian are identical to those found in German, English, French, and Italian.

Glottal Stop

Neither spoken or sung Norwegian utilizes glottal stops and should be used only sparingly for dramatic intensity.

²⁹ Hersey, Anna. *Scandinavian Song: a Guide to Swedish, Norwegian, and Danish Repertoire and Diction.* Rowman & Littlefield, 2016. p. 51.

³⁰ Ophaug, Wencke. *Troubleshooting Norwegian Pronunciation in Classical Singing*. Journal of Singing. September/October 2012. Volume 69, No. 1, p.54.

[I]

Alveolar lateral is referred to by Ellingboe as "dentalized 'l' in German <alte>. This is incorrect, "the alveolar lateral [l] is articulated apically, that is, with the tip of the tongue rather than the blade of the tongue."³¹ The German lateral is alveolar, as it is in English and Norwegian. An alveolar lateral might in addition be velarized as a secondary feature. This is the case in speech for all American laterals."³² In Norwegian speech both are found, but it is my opinion that by omitting the dark [l], intelligibility is not affected.

[r] [r]

Norwegians utilize flipped, rolled, and, even in some parts of the country, the uvular variety, as well as the retroflex 'r'. Since the IPA transcriptions in this document are utilizing the Oslo accent, the flipped [r] will primarily be used. There is no rule which states that 'r' should be flipped or rolled; however, the majority of recordings present the flipped [r]. In my opinion, should a word or a musical phrase lend itself to a more dramatic 'r,' the [r] should be employed. I am in agreement with Ophaug that though "there is a growing tendency among young Norwegian singers to use these retroflexes...I would not recommend foreign singers to make use of them."³³

³¹ Hersey, Anna. *Scandinavian Song: a Guide to Swedish, Norwegian, and Danish Repertoire and Diction*. Rowman & Littlefield, 2016. p. 51.

³² Ophaug, Wencke. *Troubleshooting Norwegian Pronunciation in Classical Singing*. Journal of Singing. September/October 2012. Volume 69, No. 1, p.54

³³ Ophaug 55.

Stop Consonants

For those familiar with Italian diction this concept will be easily adoptable. Simply put, if a vowel is followed by two of the same consonants, a reiteration of that consonant should be made. Hersey indicates the difference in transcription, in place of repeating the consonant as one would in Italian, it is indicated as long.³⁴

Norwegian: katten ['kat:ɛn] (the cat) Italian: fatto [fat:to] (done)

Though this is a perfectly acceptable method I have chosen to use Ophaug's methodology to transcribe the double consonant for clarity.³⁵ Therefore, the transcription style used will look like this: ['kat:ten]

[ai] [3Y] [æi] [œY] [æu]

In each of the three Norwegian diction publications, these diphthongs are notated differently. Ellingboe utilized the [j] instead of the [i], whereas Hersey acknowledged only four of the five. Although Ophaug states (below) the use of open [I] as her preferred method, she employed [i] in all examples.

In singing, however, such a close articulation would be disturbing for the quality of the vowel. I believe that an open [I] is what Norwegian schooled singers use for this part in the diphthongs [α I] and [ϵ I]. For the diphthongs [α Y] and [α Y] it is natural to use the vowel [Y] as the second element, to indicate that the rounded of the lips of the first vowel is kept in the second.

I have selected the best of each option, resulting in a new combination ideal for singing. Figure 5 provides a visual representation of the consonants and their respective rules.

³⁴ Hersey, Anna. *Scandinavian Song: a Guide to Swedish, Norwegian, and Danish Repertoire and Diction*. Rowman & Littlefield, 2016. p. 61.

³⁵ Ophaug, Wencke. *Troubleshooting Norwegian Pronunciation in Classical Singing*. Journal of Singing. September/October 2012. Volume 69, No. 1, pp.55.

³⁶ Ophaug 54.

The missing consonants have been omitted because they are the same as in English.

	IPA	Rule	Example	Properties
D	[d]	silent after a vowel, r,l,n or sometimes in final position	kveld 'evening'	denti-alveolar voiced plosive
G	[g]	silent if ending is ig, eg, or before j and in consonant cluster (exception: conjunction og 'and')	ferdig 'done' deg 'you' gjennom 'between' fugl 'bird'	velar voiced plosive
	[ن]	before j, ei, or i	gjennom 'between'	
Н	[h]	silent before j or v	hvem 'who'	glottal unvoiced fricative
K	[k]	pronounced before n	Knut (name)	velar unvoiced plosive
	[ç]	before y, ei, or i, and in combination with j	kjærlighet 'love'	palatal voiceless fricative
N	[n]			alveolar voiced nasal
	[ŋ]	final position	engang 'once'	velar voiced nasal
R	[r] [ɾ]	roll for dramatic intention		alveolar flip/ roll
S	[s]			alveolar unvoiced fricative
	ט	before j, ei, or i and in combination with k	skjorte 'shirt'	prepalatal unvoiced fricative
Т	[t]	silent in definite form of neuter nouns or pronoun	huset 'the house' det 'that'	denti-alveolar
V	[v]	usually silent at the end of a word	halv 'half'	labiodental voiced fricative

Figure 5. Consonants with Rules

Transcription Methods and Reasoning

Through my research, I have deduced that there exists no concise resource for pronunciation of the poetry set by Edvard Grieg. Although not without merit, the resources available are not by native Norwegian singers. According to an article in 2015 from the *Journal of Singing*,

In recent years, there has been an increase in scholarship regarding the phonetics and singing diction of Norwegian, Swedish, and Danish, although much of it has focused on singing in Swedish. Resulting articles and books often include a collection of song texts transcribed into the IPA by non-native diction teachers and/or singers, some of whom are of Scandinavian descent.³⁷

Bradley Ellingboe is the only author of a resource that provides IPA transliterations of forty-five Grieg songs³⁸. This is a large and valuable contribution but considering the magnitude of Edvard Grieg's corpus, it represents less than one-third. Edvard Grieg composed 24 opus-numbered cycles containing a total of 131 songs and more than 59 non-opus numbered sets and songs. In addition, he also wrote fifty-eight works either for solo or mixed voice choir, many of which are for male solo and choir.

Thus, excluding folk-song arrangements, Grieg composed more vocal music than piano and chamber works together. This alone would make the songs especially noteworthy. Add to it that they were written throughout his life (from op. 2 to op. 70), show all the high and low points in his development as a composer and reflects his innermost feelings.³⁹

Moreover, Ellingboe's international phonetic alphabet (IPA) transcription includes choices that make for a less native-sound. Anna Hersey discusses this in her publication,

³⁷ Jordheim, Alisa, Ophaug, Wencke. *Transcribing Scandinavian Song Texts into IPA*. Journal of Singing. March/April 2015. Volume 71, No. 4, pp. 473-488.

³⁸ Ellingboe, Bradley. Forty-Five Songs of Edvard Grieg. Leyerle Publications, 1988.

³⁹ Foster, Beryl. *The Songs of Edvard Grieg*. Boydell, 2007, p.1.

Scandinavian Song: a Guide to Swedish, Norwegian, and Danish Repertoire and Diction, which offers transcription of thirteen Grieg songs.

My transcriptions differ from the convention, used by Ellingboe and others, to transcribe unstressed orthographic e as schwa. While an unstressed e is unstressed relative to its stressed counterparts, it is in my opinion that the schwa symbol will result in a pronunciation that is far too central given an American readership's familiarity with German lyric diction. I have chosen, therefore, to transcribe the stressed orthographic e as [e], with the instruction that its pronunciation should not be unduly elongated. In consultation with experts, as well as in 'trial runs' of varying transcription options with nonnative speakers, I have determined that this will produce the most authentic sound.

Based on this scholarship, I agree with Hersey's observations, as well as Ophaug's statement: "The Norwegian schwa (unstressed central /9) is placed somewhat closer to the Norwegian $/\epsilon$, whereas the German schwa is very centralized and even a little rounded, so that it often sounds like an $/\infty$ / vowel." I will be using the $[\epsilon]$ for stressed orthographic e. This, however, brings up the concern for consistency in format. Therefore, I have decided to utilize a few Ellingboe transcriptions, but highlight these specific instances in which alterations will be made. These improvements will be shown in blue.

A few additional queries arose during the writing of this document. Should the IPA transcription respect the linguistic traditions of the time of composition, or should it adhere to current language norms? The issue lies in the fact that, as previously mentioned, during Danish rule the Danish spoken was "Norwegianized;" therefore, spoken Danish in Norway during Grieg's time was not the same Danish spoken in

⁴⁰ Hersey, Anna. *Scandinavian Song: a Guide to Swedish, Norwegian, and Danish Repertoire and Diction.* Rowman & Littlefield, 2016. p. 48.

Denmark. It would be logical then that current tradition in Norway is to "Norwegianize." Just as "it is also understandable, however, that a Danish singer, for his or her Danish audience, would choose to sing Danish texts using a Danish pronunciation."⁴¹ This topic was also addressed in the *Journal of Singing* article titled "Transcribing Scandinavian Song Texts into IPA" through a questionnaire to determine how Norwegians, Danes, and singers who have no connection to either language would prefer approaching this issue. The survey concluded that [in the case of] "(Danish poet/poem set by a Norwegian composer) and...(Danish-Norwegian poem set by a Norwegian composer), the singer should "Norwegianize" the text in a conservative manner, applying the changes carefully and judiciously so as to be understandable to Norwegian ears."⁴²

For the purposes of this document, the selections will be transcribed with an Oslo accent, with the exception of a selection written in *Nynorsk*. Op. 70 with Danish text will be "Norwegianized." I disagree with Bo Skovhus, who stated "when the poet is Danish, [the text] should of course be sung in Danish, even if the composer is Norwegian."⁴³ This ideology disregards the social and political climate and influences on language and, in my opinion, removes a piece of important history. This is supported by Wencke Ophaug, Ph.D. in Phonetics of Singing, who stated,

⁴¹ Hersey, Anna. *Scandinavian Song: a Guide to Swedish, Norwegian, and Danish Repertoire and Diction*. Rowman & Littlefield, 2016. p. 66.

⁴² Jordheim, Alisa, Ophaug, Wencke. *Transcribing Scandinavian Song Texts into IPA*. Journal of Singing. March/April 2015. Volume 71, No. 4, pp. 473-488.

⁴³ Hersey, Anna. *Scandinavian Song: a Guide to Swedish, Norwegian, and Danish Repertoire and Diction.* Rowman & Littlefield, 2016. p. 66.

Some Norwegians seem to believe that Norwegian singers at the time of Grieg used to sing Danish texts in a very Danish way. This is definitely not true. There are some historic recordings of Grieg songs that prove that Norwegian singers at that time had a very Norwegian pronunciation. Even Grieg's wife Nina, who was a skilled singer and was educated in Copenhagen, sounds very Norwegian in these recordings.⁴⁴

In the case of a student who has no familial connection to either Norwegian or Danish, the choice of pronunciation is based on preference and resources available. Because Norwegian is not an international language, the common recurrence of articles and published works discussing Scandinavian diction as one entity is understandable. However, it is my opinion that separate resources should exist. Comparing Danish to Norwegian is no longer relevant because beyond the written similarities, pronunciation is quite different.

On the following page are suggested editions and recordings as a resource guide.

Attention has been paid when selecting recordings in order to offer examples of diverse voice types both past and recent who have performed these works. Historical recordings of singers during Grieg's time, including his wife, Nina Grieg, allow one to hear Grieg playing and the great singers who interpreted his music. This list is not extensive, but represents the best of many recordings and resources available today.

⁴⁴ Ophaug, Wencke. *Troubleshooting Norwegian Pronunciation in Classical Singing*. Journal of Singing. September/October 2012. Volume 69, No. 1, p. 50.

Complete Songs Scores

Edition Peters: Grieg, Edvard. Sämtliche Lieder. Volume I. Edition Peters, Leipzig, 2001. Grieg, Edvard. Sämtliche Lieder. Volume II. Edition Peters, Leipzig, 2001.

<u>IMSLP</u> - Please note that the scores available on IMSLP have inconsistencies, and it is my opinion that the Edition Peters are the much better option.

Selections

Edition Peters: Grieg, Edvard. Centenary Song Album. Edition Peters, London, 2007.

* This version includes a CD offering pronunciation by a native Norwegian speaker as well accompaniment. It also offers IPA transcriptions.

Complete Songs (7 Discs)

Grieg, Edvard. Grieg: Complete Songs/Lieder. BIS Records, 2010.

Monica Groop- Mezzo-soprano Roger Vignoles- Piano

Ilmo Ranta- Piano Love Derwinger- piano

Grieg, Edvard. Grieg: Complete Songs. Brilliant Classic, 2009.

Marianne Hirsti- Soprano Rudolf Jansen- Piano

Kjell Magnus Sandve-Tenor

Knut Skram-Baritone

Selections

Grieg, Edvard. *Grieg: The Vocal Music in Historic Interpretations Acoustical Recordings (1888-1924)*. Simax. 1993.

Nina Grieg- Soprano (Edvard Grieg's wife)

Kirsten Flagstad- Soprano

Olive Kline- Soprano

Elisabeth Rethberg-Soprano

Clara Hultgren- Soprano

Dohn Forsell- Baritone

Robert Burg- Baritone

Gunnar Graarud-Tenor

Vilhelm Herold -Tenor

Erik Bye- Baritone

Borghild Bryhn- Soprano Hermann Jadlowker- Tenor
Cally Monrad- Soprano Feodor Chaliapin- Bass
Ernestine Schumann-Heink- Mezzo Peter Cornelius-Tenor
Ellen Gulbranson (Soprano) Richard Tauber-Tenor

Gunnar Graarud (Tenor)

Grieg, Edvard. *Grieg Songs*. Deutsche Grammophone. 1993.

Anne Sofie von Otter- Mezzo-soprano Bengt Forsberg- piano

Chapter Four: Op. 9 Sange og Ballader til Digte af A. Munch composed 1863-1866

published 1867

Dedicated to Norwegian Pianist: Erika Lie Nissen (1845-1903)

It should be noted that Grieg's first "Norwegian" cycle, Op. 9 was not his first song cycle but rather the first in the "Dano-Norwegian" language. Grieg's first two cycles Op. 2 and Op. 4 were heavily influenced by the time he spent in Leipzig and therefore, set to German poetry. The third cycle was set to the poetry of Danish poet Hans Christian Andersen (1805-1875) and reflects the Danish influence of both rule over Norway by Denmark and Andersen's time spent in Denmark. Although Grieg composed Op. 9 to Norwegian text they were composed during his travels to Rome, *København* (Copenhagen), and Christiania (Oslo); "as the poems are not particularly Norwegian in spirit they did not deflect him from what we may call his Danish style."45 Therefore, this cycle does not yet demonstrate what Grieg would later develop as his nationalist style. The decision to select this cycle grew from the intention to introduce cycles not often performed and which demonstrate Grieg's compositional progression. It is interesting to note that many scholars have criticized this cycle, one of whom was, Dag Schjelderup-Ebbe who commented about *Harpen* stating:

An extremely trite and super-Romantic text has been unable to inspire him. From the outset the song, which is in strophic form, is lacking in artistry; the arpeggioed chords in the piano prelude do not sound at all well in the low register of the piano. The melody of the song has little distinction and the constantly recurring 'Grieg motifs' (major form in meas. 1,4,18,21, and modal form in meas. 5,8,10,20, and in the piano postlude) appear almost as a parody of the

⁴⁵ Schjelderup-Ebbe, Dag. *Edvard Grieg 1858-1867*. Oslo Universitetsforlaget. 1964. pg. 351.

composer's style...The impression given by the song is of somewhat restless and forced effects.⁴⁶

Regardless of these opinions, the majority of the selections in this opus are appropriate for all voice types and developmental levels, and their simplicity could be advantageous for the young singer. In a letter dated November 2, 1868, Grieg wrote to Danish composer and friend, Niels Ravnkilde (1823-1890), "Why didn't you get a copy of *Songs and Ballads op. 9* during your stay in Denmark? They were published by Erslev and are the best things I have written."

Op.9 written between 1863-1866 was initially titled *Sange og Romancer til Digte* af H.C. Andersen og A. Munch. The original manuscript⁴⁸ contains five songs, beginning with H. C. Andersen's, *Kjærlighed*, with the remaining four by Norwegian poet Andreas Munch (1811-1884). However, Grieg was also composing other cycles during the time between 1864-1868 and later chose to relocate *Kjærlighed* to Op. 15 titled *Romancer af* H. Heine, H.C. Andersen og Chr. Richardt. In a letter from Grieg to his music publisher Emil Erslev he wrote:

Christiania, November 5, 1866

Dear Music Publisher Emil Erslev:

Just a short time ago I received word from Miss Hagerup that my songs have already been sent to the engraver. Without delay, therefore, I am sending the enclosed song in case it might still be included in the set- and I surely hope that may still be possible.

⁴⁶ Schjelderup-Ebbe, Dag. Edvard Grieg 1858-1867. Oslo Universitetsforlaget. 1964. pg. 297.

⁴⁷ Grieg, Edvard et al. *Letters to Colleagues and Friends*. Peer Gynt Press, 2000. pg. 576.

⁴⁸ Grieg, Edvard. *Sange og Romancer til Digte af H.C. Andersen og A. Munch*, 1863-1866. Bergen Offentlige Bibliotek, accessed March 14, 2020.

The fact is that I would have much preferred that the two songs to texts by Hans Christian Andersen be omitted and the enclosed song, "Outward Bound," be included instead—partly because all the texts would then be by Munch, partly because the published set would otherwise be too complex.

The new song, as you will see, is fairly long and has the character of a ballad from beginning to end. My wish, therefore, is that it should be the last piece in the set. And since one of the earlier songs- "The Harp"- is also somewhat balladic, in order to maximize the unity of the entire set I would like the sequence to be as follows:

- 1. The Harp
- 2. Sunset
- 3. Cradle Song
- 4. Outward Bound

The set should have the following title:

Songs and Ballads to Poems by A. Munch Composed by Edvard Grieg Op. 9⁴⁹

Beryl Foster, author of *The Songs of Edvard Grieg*⁵⁰, refers to op. 9 as *Romancer og Ballader til Digte af A. Munch*. Foster and other scholars also order the selections differently from what Grieg specifically wished in his letter. This misrepresentation is further indulged in many recordings. It should be encouraged to create and uphold a new and accurate performance practice of these specific indications by the composer.

Therefore, in order to preserve Grieg's wishes as much as possible, op. 9 will be referred to as *Sange og Ballader til Digte af A. Munch* and will only address the following selections in the following order.

1. Harpen 2. Solnedgang 3. Vuggesang 4. Udfarten

⁴⁹ Grieg, Edvard et al. Letters to Colleagues and Friends. Peer Gynt Press, 2000. p. 220.

⁵⁰ Foster, Beryl. *The Songs of Edvard Grieg*. Boydell, 2007.

Linguistically, it is important to note that because Andreas Munch was opposed to Knud Knudsen's spelling reform, the texts utilized by Andreas Munch incorporate a spelling more closely related to upper-middle-class spelling (Danish) than if he had bent to the new reforms.

One reason it took so long for Knudsen's ideas to win support among members of the intelligentsia was Professor P. A. Munch's total rejection of Kundsen's endeavours as early as the 1850s and his simultaneous praise for Aasen's substantial contributions (that is, Aasen 1848 and 1850). While Munch described Aasen as a great linguist and scholar (Knudsen 1923: 64ff., 76ff.), he dismissed Knudsen as a 'linguistic bourbon' (ibid.: 100f.). Knudsen later wrote that Munch had wrapped him and his programme in thick fog from which he struggled for years to emerge (Johnsen 2006: 194).⁵¹

This aversion to Knudsen's reform is evident by the spelling of words such as *sad* which is the Danish spelling for "to sit," whereas the Knud Knudsen reform to spelling would have removed the [d] and replaced it with [t], creating *sat*.

⁵¹ "A Language Based on Upper-Middle-Class Speech or Peasant Dialects?: The Programmes Proposed by Knud Knudsen and Ivar Aasen." *Language Planning as a Sociolinguistic Experiment: The Case of Modern Norwegian*, by Ernst Håkon Jahr, Edinburgh University Press, Edinburgh, 2014, pp. 35–56. *JSTOR*, www.jstor.org/stable/10.3366/j.ctt9qds08.8. Accessed 1 Apr. 2020.

1. *Harpen* / The Harp composed in Rome, Italy: April 4, 1866

- Munch, Andreas b. Christiania, Norway 19, October 1811
 d. Vedbæk, Denmark 27, June 1884
- Norwegian Poet
- "Harpen" from Sorg og Trøst, 1852
- 3 verses- Strophic composition
- A b Major
- "The picture of a lady and her knight, bound together through the music of her harp even though they are soon to part, is marked to be sung 'i Balladetone' (in ballad style) and the simplistic strophic setting was obviously an attempt to match the old-word tone of the words."52

The original manuscript indicates that the melodic line was notated in bass clef.

Presumably the transposition to treble clef in current publications was done for the purposes of accessibility. In the original manuscript, Grieg indicates, *af de mange Vers kan her kun gives de første*, 53 which translates: "of the many verses can here the first only be given." This is an indication omitted in all other publications, which could and should lead one to read the remaining poetry for its role in inspiring Edvard Grieg's composition from the outset.

⁵² Foster, Beryl. *The Songs of Edvard Grieg*. Boydell, 2007. p. 54.

⁵³ Grieg, Edvard. *Sange og Romancer til Digte af H.C. Andersen og A. Munch*, 1863-1866. Bergen Offentlige Bibliotek, accessed 14 Mar. 2020.

⁵⁴ Unless otherwise noted, all Norwegian translations are done by the author.

2. Solnedgang / Sunset Composed in Copenhagen, 1863

- Munch, Andreas b. Christiania, Norway 19, October 1811
 d. Vedbæk, Denmark 27, June 1884
- Norwegian Poet
- "Solnedgang" from Nye Digte. 1850.
- 4 verses- Strophic Composition
- A Major
- This light, spring-like, lyrical poem depicts the beauty in nature during the mystical hour of a sunset.

A performer might find it interesting to know that Frederick Delius (1862 - 1934) also set Munch's poetry in a selection titled *Ved Solnedgang* in 1888 dedicated to Nina Grieg. This would be an interesting addition to a recital in order to demonstrate the two different settings of Munch's text. "The song is the first of the compositions since his childhood pieces to be absolutely diatonic in style, harmonic and melodic. ... It seems possible that in this song Grieg has firmly intended to imitate the folksong style of melody." The Edition Peters omits an important indication from Grieg's original manuscript, *noget langsomt, stemmnigsfull* (somewhat slow, evocative).

⁵⁵ Foster, Beryl. *The Songs of Edvard Grieg*. Boydell, 2007. p. 33.

⁵⁶ Schjelderup-Ebbe, Dag. Edvard Grieg, 1858-1867. Oslo Universitetsforlaget, 1964. p. 174.

⁵⁷ Grieg, Edvard, Romancer og ballader til digte af A. Munch Op. 9. Erslev, København, 1866.

3. *Vuggesang* / Cradle Song composed in Rome, Italy: April 5, 1866

- Munch, Andreas b. Christiania, Norway 19, October 1811
 d. Vedbæk, Denmark 27, June 1884
- Norwegian Poet
- "Vuggesang" from Sorg og Trøst, written shortly after 1850
- 5 verses— Strophic composition
- G# minor
- Piano transcription exists: Piano Pieces, Op. 41

Unlike the criticism received about Harpen, Vuggesang has been considered

one of the most significant of Grieg's earlier songs. Although the text is not outstanding, the poet has expressed rather well a father's grief over the loss of his wife during the birth of his son. Grieg, who was highly sensitive to his texts, shows evidence here of being quite moved.⁵⁸

Munch's text was personally driven, as "Munch's own wife had died in 1850 giving birth to twin boys, one of whom was shortly to follow his mother." ⁵⁹ New transcriptions are indicated in blue as well as the recommended alterations to Ellingboe's transcription. The Edition Peters⁶⁰ indication of *non lento, ma molto doloroso,* in my opinion, does not fully express Grieg's original manuscript⁶¹ indication of *ikke for langsomt, med dyb Sorg* (not too slow, with deep sorrow). It is acceptable to omit several verses for performance.

⁵⁸ Schjelderup-Ebbe, Dag. *Edvard Grieg 1858-1867*. Oslo Universitetsforlaget. 1964. p. 297.

⁵⁹ Foster, Beryl. *The Songs of Edvard Grieg*. Boydell, 2007. p. 55.

⁶⁰ Grieg, Edvard. Sämtliche Lieder. Volume I. Edition Peters, Leipzig, 2001.

⁶¹ Grieg, Edvard, Romancer og ballader til digte af A. Munch Op. 9. Erslev, København, 1866.

4. *Udfarten*/ Outward Bound composed in Oslo, Autumn 1866

- Munch, Andreas b. Christiania, Norway 19, October 1811
 d. Vedbæk, Denmark 27, June 1884
- Norwegian Poet
- "Udfarten" from Sorg og Trøst, 1852
- Through-composed
- Narrative-style⁶²

The poem recounts a married couple on their journey to Italy when the young wife becomes ill and dies.

For those who wish to utilize the IMSLP scores available online, be advised that this selection has been lowered by a whole step.

Monrad Johansen in writing about this song says: Just before Grieg left Denmark, he wrote one of his most beautiful and broadly conceived songs, 'Udfarten'...Grieg could not well have said a more beautiful farewell to his young bride, his friends and Denmark...And so Grieg set out on his 'glorious path' to 'the smiling land of the South,' to 'wander in youthful joy by Arno's, by Old Tiber's strand'. And at that moment he could take Munch's words in 'Outward Bound' for his own, he felt that life lay before him so 'day-long, so rich in beauty'. But little did he guess that the tragic ending of 'Outward Bound' would be fulfilled too, that his companion, the friend nearest to his heart [Nordraak] would be soon beneath the ground, quiet and straight and pale...⁶³

Grieg combined his journey to Italy with the death of his dearest friend in creating this selection; therefore, it is no surprise that Grieg "expressed a particular liking for the four Munch songs collected...which in 1868 he called 'the best of me.'

⁶² One of Edvard Grieg's longest songs (104 bars)

⁶³ Schjelderup-Ebbe, Dag. Edvard Grieg 1858-1867. Oslo Universitetsforlaget. 1964. p. 317.

⁶⁴ Schjelderup-Ebbe 318.

Chapter Five: Op. 39 Romancer Ældre og Nyere

composed 1869-1884

published 1884

Dedicated to: Hr. Professor Niels Ravnkilde

The title, Romancer Ældre og Nyere,65 is translated as "Older and Newer songs."

Op. 39 was published in 1884, but the selections span from 1869-1884. Grieg originally

indicated that the selections should be as follows:

1. Fra Monte Pincio

2. Hör'ich das Liedchen klingen

3. Dulgt Kjærlighed

4. I Liden højt deroppe

5. Millom Rosor

6. Ved en ung Hustrus Båre

However, all publications indicate Hör'ich das Liedchen klingen is placed last in the

group. One could speculate that this was done to keep language continuity, because it is

the only selection of the entire cycle with text by German poet Henrik Heine

(1797-1856). Although it may seem unconventional to perform the entire cycle with the

exception of this selection in Norwegian, it is what Grieg intended. Therefore, non-

Norwegian singers are recommended to sing it in its original setting.

This cycle offers a singer and pianist a higher degree of variety than the previous

cycle, because it presents Bjørnson's "Dano-Norwegian" poetry. The only Jonas Lie

poem Grieg ever set was Kristofer Janson's *Nynorsk* poem, which was one of two poems

Grieg utilized, as well as Heine's German poem. Furthermore, it shows a progression of

compositions over a span from 1869-1884.

65 Grieg, Edvard, Romancer Ældre og Nyere Op. 39. Wilhelm Hansen, København, 1884.

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1. Fra Monte Pincio/ From Monte Pincio composed 1870

- Bjørnson, Bjørnstjerne b. Kvikne, Norway 8, December 1832
 d. Paris, France 26, April 1910
- Norwegian Poet
- "Fra Monte Pincio" from Samlede Digte I, 1851-1870.
- Strophic (verses 1 and 4)
- G b Major
- Orchestrated by Grieg in 1894

"Bjørnson's poem...was in its turn inspired by the writer's visit to Rome at the time of the city's liberation from the French and the unification of Italy." Grieg's inspiration for using this text was inspired by his own travels to Rome. Desmond wrote "Quite different in colour is this song from either Danish or Norwegian songs. A warmth suffuses it, and the melody's rise, and fall would delight an Italian's heart." Roger Vignoles commented about these selections (*Våren*, *En Svane*, *Fra Monte Pincio*, *Solveigs Sang*, *Mens jeg venter*, *Møte*):

I am always struck first by Grieg's harmonic language. It has a remarkable freshness that seems to come from his use of common triadic harmonies in unusual juxtapositions*, often with a modal quality that is surely inspired by folksong. This is then matched by the vocal melodies that so often begin by tracing the outlines of a triadic arpeggio. This means that his voice parts are imbued with the underlying harmonic colour, creating a strong tonal unity between voice and piano, and enhancing the singer's overtones.

*With the obvious differences of language and national culture, I often feel the same can be said of Dvořák. In fact I love the way the opening chords of *Fra*

⁶⁶ Foster, Beryl. The Songs of Edvard Grieg. Boydell, 2007. p. 73.

⁶⁷ Desmond, Astra. "The Songs" *Grieg; a Symposium*, edited by Abraham, Gerald, Greenwood Press, 1975, p. 81.

Monte Pincio seem to echo (but in a higher register of course) the opening of the slow movement of Dvořák's 'New World Symphony.'68

Roger Vignoles has performed this selection numerous times with both female and male voices. When asked which voice type he thought best suits this selection he stated? "It's hard to answer, but I think I probably prefer the female voice — there is such a glorious sunset quality to those high G flats soaring above the warm brass chords in the piano."⁶⁹

From multiple different entries in Grieg's diaries⁷⁰ he mentions different performers singing *Solveig's Vuggesang*, *Fra Monte Pincio*, and *En Svane* as a set. This would then offer a singer an interesting alternative in programming *Fra Monte Pincio*.

2. *Dulgt Kjærlighed*/ Hidden Love Composed 1873

- Bjørnson, Bjørnstjerne b. Kvikne, Norway 8, December 1832
 d. Paris, France 26, April 1910
- Norwegian Poet
- "Dulgt Kjærlighed" from Samlede Digte I, 1851-1870.
- 3 Verses Strophic
- B minor

"The opening bars of *Dulgt Kjærlighed* are reminiscent of *Solveigs Sang*...here are many elements taken from Norwegian folk music: pedal tonic fifths, short phrases with vocal

⁶⁸ Vignoles, Roger. E-mail interview. Conducted by Caroline Bergan, 20 April, 2020.

⁶⁹ Vignoles, Roger. E-mail interview. Conducted by Caroline Bergan, 20 April, 2020.

⁷⁰ Grieg, Edvard Hagerup, et al. *Edvard Grieg: Diaries, Articles, Speeches*. Peer Gynt Press, 2001.

ornaments, echoes in the accompaniment and contrast between the major and minor modes."⁷¹ Though folk elements may be present, Edvard Grieg's only admission of direct use of a Norwegian folk melody was stated in a letter to Frants Beyer, "Just think that in *Le Temps* a man by the name of Lalo⁷² ... says that my songs are stolen from folk melodies! And you know that of all my more than 100 songs there is only one
—'Solveig's Song" — that borrows the mood, and nothing more."⁷³ This poem also was set by multiple other composers including, Emil Hartmann (1836-1898) Op.41, Per Lasson (1859-1883), and Frederick Delius (1862 - 1934) as *Verborg'ne Liebe*.

The relentlessness and discontent of the disappointed love is well shown in the rather jerky phrases, which change beautifully into the tranquillo of the last verse; and a beautiful song that is all we have of the oratorio *Fred* (Peace), which was to have been written during the eighteen-nineties in collaboration with Bjørnson, but never materialised.⁷⁴

This poem expresses the pain, as a result of words unsaid, between two lovers. "The emotional density is such that with the poem's final lines the reader's heart also resonates with pain."

⁷¹ Foster, Beryl. *The Songs of Edvard Grieg*. Boydell, 2007. p. 81.

⁷² Critic, and son of the composer Edouard Lalo (1822-1892)

⁷³ Grieg, Edvard Hagerup, et al. *Edvard Grieg: Letters to Colleagues and Friends*. Peer Gynt Press, 2000. p. 94.

⁷⁴ Desmond, Astra. "The Songs" *Grieg; a Symposium*, edited by Abraham, Gerald, Greenwood Press, 1975, p. 82.

3. *I Liden højt deroppe*/ High on the Grassy Slope Composed 1884

- Lie, Jonas Lauritz Idemil b. Eiker, Norway 6, November 1833
 d. Larvik, Norway 5, July 1908
- Norwegian Novelist, Poet, and Playwright
- "I Liden højt deroppe" from Samlede Digterverker
- 3 Verses Strophic
- E Major

This is the only poem by Lie that Grieg set, yet "it should not be overlooked, for the poem has wit and freshness and Grieg's music responds well to it, with a happy use of the various registers of the piano." ⁷⁵ This song has a wonderful lightness in its onset which gradually intensifies by way of a water-like piano figure allowing the voice to climax to a G5. It is not too lengthy and would be a very good pronunciation starting point, as the text is filled with rhyme. *I Liden højt deroppe* "is a rather tongue-in-cheek poem, describing the writer who, whether he is up in the mountain pastures, beside a river or amongst a crowd, can still, like a sharp-eyed hunter, see the blue of the sky above the trees or in someone's eyes."⁷⁶

⁷⁵ Horton, John. Grieg. J.M. Dent & Sons Ltd. London, 1974. p. 176.

⁷⁶ Foster, Beryl. *The Songs of Edvard Grieg*. Boydell, 2007. p. 146.

4. *Millom Rosor*/ Among Roses Composed 1869

- Janson, Kristofer Nagel b. Bergen, Norway 4, May 1841
 d. Copenhagen, Denmark 17, November 1917
- Norwegian Poet and Priest
- "Millom Rosor" not from a designated work
- 2 Verses Strophic
- E b minor

Kristofer Janson's poem was created as a result of the death of his only child. Edvard and Nina Grieg had a daughter named Alexandra Grieg (born April 10, 1868) who tragically suddenly died of meningitis on May 21, 1869.

Whenever Grieg was most unhappy he was drawn to the poets who sang in Landsmål (Nynorsk), and so as early as 1868 we find him setting the touching poem, just after his only child had died. The song tells of a mother laughing and happy with her child among the roses, then in the second verse the mother mourns her child, now dead among the roses. Poem and music both ring true. With unerring instinct Grieg set it in simple folk-song style.⁷⁷

Grieg employed a minimal accompaniment to highlight the text, set to the *Nynorsk* language. *Millom Rosor* is a selection previously transcribed by Ellingboe. Changes have been made to his transcriptions to bring it closer to native pronunciation; the *schwa* has been exchanged for [ε]. Ellingboe chose to transcribe rosor as ['ru:sər] but this does not match pronunciation of *Nynorsk*; therefore, the IPA has been changed to 'ru:sur.' All changes to Ellingboe's transcriptions are indicated in the colour blue. Throughout the Ellingboe edition, one can observe a multitude of IPA inconsistencies and errata. Oddly

⁷⁷ Desmond, Astra. "The Songs" *Grieg; a Symposium*, edited by Abraham, Gerald, Greenwood Press, 1975, p. 86.

enough, the provided errata sheet itself has errors. Anyone who utilizes Ellingboe's edition will be further confused by these inconsistencies. These errors can be found in the word *so* which has been transcribed as [so] and [so:]. The versions which are offered in this document are both consistent and accurate.

5. *Ved en ung Hustrus Båre/* At the Bier of a Young Wife Composed 1873

- Monrad, Olaf Peder b. Christania, Norway 13, February 1849
 d. Copenhagen, Denmark 1, May 1920
- Norwegian Poet and Priest
- "Ved en ung Hustrus Båre" not from a designated work
- 2 Verses Strophic
- C minor

This is the only poem by O.P. Monrad to which Grieg set music. "The song is a very bleak one, concerning the untimely death of a young woman, and Grieg emphasizes the sorrow with an angular and wide-ranging vocal melody which matches the broken phrases of the poem."⁷⁸ In some ways similar to the approach Grieg took for *Millom Rosor*; the piano part is subdued and almost entirely chordal. The vocal line incorporates his signature use of chromaticism up to F5 (ff). The majority of higher pitches in this selection are set to ideal open-vowel words.

⁷⁸ Foster, Beryl. *The Songs of Edvard Grieg*. Boydell, 2007. p. 85.

Chapter Six: Op. 70 Fem Digte af Otto Benzon

composed 1900

published November 1900

Dedicated to: N.J. Simonsen

After Grieg's Op. 67 Haugtussa 'Sang-cyklus af Arne Garborgs Fortælling,' he set no

more music to Norwegian text.

In 1900 when Grieg was in Copenhagen, he became enthusiastic again about

Danish poetry...Several of the songs are through-composed, and there is much influence of Wagner and the Germanic music theater style...their style is in

marked contrast to the compact expressiveness and intimacy of the Norwegian

songs, more suited to the concert hall than to the salon⁷⁹

Op. 70 is Grieg's last cycle. Following this cycle only four non-opus selections were

composed. Fem Digte af Otto Benzon utilizes Danish text from Otto Benzon. Due to

performance practices, however, these selections will be transcribed as 'Dano-

Norwegian.' This cycle contains the following selections:

1. Eros

2. Jeg lever et Liv i Længsel

3. Lys Nat

4. Se dig for

5. Digtervise

From the original manuscript⁸⁰ Grieg indicates precise tempi markings throughout each

piece, and this has been indicated in the Edition Peters version. It also indicates that the

poetry, from numbers three and four, originates from Otto Benzon's play *Anna Bryde*.

"The drama concerns Anna Bryde, her husband (a naval officer), and her former lover."81

⁷⁹ Jarrett, Sandra. *Edvard Grieg and His Songs*. Ashgate, 2003. p. 128.

80 Grieg, Edvard. Fem Digte af Otto Benzon. Wilhelm Hansen, København 1900.

81 Foster, Beryl. The Songs of Edvard Grieg. Boydell, 2007. p. 216.

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1. *Eros*Composed 1900

- Benzon, Otto b. unknown 17, January 1856
 d. unknown 16, May 1927
- Danish Poet and Writer
- "Eros" published in 1900
- Binary
- C Major
- Declamatory style
- String Orchestra Arrangement available by Max Reger

Eros:

éros (le Désir), le dieu ailé souvent montré en compagnie d'Aphrodite. Habituellement représenté avec un arc et des flèches, il passe pour le fils de la déesse mais son origine était problématique pour les Grecs.⁸² This can be paraphrased as, "Eros, Aphrodite's son and symbol of love and eroticism." This is the inspiration for this passionate selection. The tension of increased emotion is reflected in Grieg's music. This is accomplished, in typical Grieg fashion, with each swelling of the vocal phrase, "a favourite with singers, being effective vocally,"⁸³ through leading chromatic modulations. This is often found throughout Grieg's compositional techniques.

⁸² Willis, Roy, and Robert Walter. Mythologies Du Monde Entier. Duncan Baird Publishers, 1995. p. 145.

⁸³ Desmond, Astra. "The Songs" *Grieg; a Symposium*, edited by Abraham, Gerald, Greenwood Press, 1975, p. 79.

2. Jeg lever et Liv i Længsel / I Live a Life of Longing Composed 1900

- Benzon, Otto b. unknown 17, January 1856
 d. unknown 16, May 1927
- Danish Poet and Writer
- "Jeg lever et Liv i Længsel" published in 1900
- 3 Verses Strophic
- E b minor

Jeg lever et Liv i Længsel "is a very bitter poem of unrequited love, which drew from Grieg a gloomy setting abounding in strange modulations and enharmonic changes. The poet's assertions that all his happiness has been met with sorrow and pain are matched in the music by a feeling of resignation and some startling dissonance."84

3. *Lys Nat* / Light Night Composed 1900

- Benzon, Otto b. unknown 17, January 1856
 d. unknown 16, May 1927
- Danish Poet and Writer
- "Lys Nat" from play Anna Bryde, 1894.
- Through-Composed

Benzon's lyric text occurs at the beginning of the Prologue. "The stage directions set the scene as 'a light summer night on the sound,' with ships in the distance, while 'inland, singing and soft music is heard." 85

Here is the true Grieg, no swelling of the chest and tiptoeing to look like the burly Drachmann, but the fine sensitive artist making a handful of notes convey the paleness of the northern summer night, when the sun sets only to rise again

⁸⁴ Foster, Beryl. The Songs of Edvard Grieg. Boydell, 2007. p. 214.

⁸⁵ Foster 216.

almost at once, and the lover bewails the shortness of the night. In this song it is the nights of Norway, not of Denmark, that are in the composer's mind, and instinctively he turns to his more concentrated Norwegian style of writing.⁸⁶

It is no surprise that all resources lead to the same conclusion, that this selection is one of Grieg's true gems, exemplifying his talent for serving the text.

This song epitomizes many aspects of Grieg's genius. It exemplifies his ability to isolate the key rhythm of a poem and use it both structurally and illustratively. It shows his novel use of harmony and dissonance to underline text and to create quietly spectacular musical effects. It brings out his talent for writing lyrically and dramatically for the voice, without being demanding. Above all it demonstrates his genius for enticing from the poem nuances and revelations which would go unnoticed in a merely oral reading. ⁸⁷

4. *Se dig for/* Beware Composed 1900

- Benzon, Otto b. unknown 17, January 1856
 d. unknown 16, May 1927
- · Danish Poet and Writer
- "Se dig for" from play Anna Bryde, 1894.
- 2 Verses Strophic
- F minor

As previously mentioned, this selection is inspired by Otto Benzon's play. "From the end of the Prologue, is the song heard from five men on board a ship in the sound. Kaj Warming, Anna's former lover, says of the song, 'Nice melody—but ponderous

⁸⁶ Desmond, Astra. "The Songs" *Grieg; a Symposium*, edited by Abraham, Gerald, Greenwood Press, 1975, p. 80.

⁸⁷ Jarrett, Sandra. Edvard Grieg and His Songs. Ashgate, 2003. pp. 131-132.

words', which rather sums up Grieg's setting too."88 This selection reverts to Grieg's folk-inspired romance writing, versus the larger scale dramatic devices used in other selections of Op. 70.

5. Digtervise/ Poet's Song Composed 1900

- Benzon, Otto b. unknown 17, January 1856
 d. unknown 16, May 1927
- · Danish Poet and Writer
- "Digtervise" published in 1900
- 3 Verses Strophic
- D Major

In comparison to the other Benzon settings this one was specifically dedicated to baritone Thorwald Lammers. Therefore, the approach is more operatic. "The poem compares the differences between the poet, who sees and feels, and ordinary people, 'who are just heads and stomachs and arms and legs.' However, the contrasts drawn are so outrageous that one must assume Benzon was being ironic. Grieg's setting does have a certain grim jollity."89

⁸⁸ Foster, Beryl. The Songs of Edvard Grieg. Boydell, 2007. p. 216.

⁸⁹ Foster 216.

Conclusion

Edvard Grieg composed more music for the voice than for any other instrument. His music is more than the Nationalist label with which it is so often described. It represents not only his personal and musical evolution but the country and languages from which he flourished. It offers any voice type an opportunity to explore a language which supports healthy vocal production and provides a multitude of repertoire options as singers develop their knowledge and expertise. It is my sincerest hope that this contribution will open the doors for performers and professors to step beyond French, German, and Italian and experience the many gifts that Edvard Grieg left us to explore and most importantly share!

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Appendix A. IPA Transliterations

Harpen / harpen

Text by Andreas Munch (1811-1884)

Set by Edvard Grieg (1843-1907) Op.9, #1 Sange og Romancer til Digte af A. Munch

Key: A b Major Range: C4-F5

Et Sagn nu mig drages til Minde: [et san nu mæi 'dra:ges til 'mIn:ne]

EnDamevedHarpensad,[en'da:meve'harpensat]

DehvideFingrelodrindeigjennem[di'vi:te'fIngrelut'rI:ndei'jen:nem]

Strengenes Rad.

['strenenes rat]

DesvulmendeTonerhunbøied'[di'svulmen:ne'tu:nerhun'bœyet]

sammentilEnhedsklang,['sam:mɛntil'en:hɛtsklan]

Og kunstrigt dem slynged' og
[o 'kunstrikt dem 'flynet o]

føied' til sin bevægede Sang. ['fæyɛt til sin be'vɛgɛdɛ san]

DentrofasteRidderstille[den'tru:fasterId:der'stIl:le]

vedhendesFødderlaae,[vehen:nesfœt:terlu]

Og [၁	hørte 'hærts		Tonerne 'tu:nɛɪnɛ		trille 'trIl:lɛ]]	
од [Э	kund 'k u n:r		dem dεm		bedst forsta best for'sto		
De [di	klage 'kla:g		de di	juble ດ 'j u ble		jo ju	alle αl:lɛ]
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de [di	sade 'sat:te	;		nmen m:men	saa: so]		
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han [hɑn	maatt 'mot:t		i i	Langf		gaae. go]	
" O g [ɔ	hør, hør		du d u	•	enskjæ nçæιε]		
Mit [mit	ord Ur	du d u	mærk 'mærk		nu N u	paa: po]	
Jeg [jæi	ved, vet	at cit	min min	Sjæl ∫el	maa mo]		
være [væ:ɪ৪	hvor	du d u	monn 'mʊn:		Harpe 'harpe		slaae. ∫lo]

Solnedgang / 'sulnedgan

Text by Andreas Munch (1811-1884) Set by Edvard Grieg (1848-1907) Op. 9, #3 Romancer og Ballader til Digte af A. Munch

Key: A Major Range: B3-C5

Nu [n u		Solen su:lɛn	_		bag bak	Aasen o:sen		fjerne 'fjærna		Skove 'sku:νε]
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En [en	sød veemodig søt 've:mudi		Hvisken 'vIsken		gaar gor	igjenn i'jɛn:n		Birke 'birke		
Om [om	Nattens Mulm 'nat:tens mulm			mos	forestaar 'forestor]					
о д [Э	vil vIl	sin sin	Favn favn	oplado						
Hvor [vur	DagensAfskedstaare'dα:gεnsαf∫εtstorε		2	mild mIl]						
paa [po	Blomst blomst		og o	Straa nu stro n u		falder! fal:lɛr]				
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naar [nor	Sol sul	gaar gor	ganske 'gαnskε		under u n:nε					
Frygt [frykt	Ū	min min	Sjæl, ∫jel]							
sænk [seŋk	O	kun k u n	ned ned	i i	Nattei 'nat:te		Dyb dyp		Solen, 'su:lɛn]	
Derfra ['dærfr		opvæl		Kjærl 'çæıli:	O	mos	Duft d u ft	fra fra	Natviolen. 'natviulen]	
Hvor [vur	Lyset 'ly:set	Kilde 'çIlde	O	forud 'for u t	/	dit dit	kan kan	du d u	trøstig 'træsti	følge, 'fœlgε]
Og [ɔ	lade 'lα:dε	Natter		dybe dy:pε	Skrud skr u d		din din		Længsel 'lɛŋgsɛl	dølge. 'dælgɛ]

Vuggesang / 'vug:gesan

Text by Andreas Munch (1811-1884)

Set by Edvard Grieg (1848-1907) Op. 9, #2

Romancer og Ballader til Digte af A. Munch

Key: G# minor Range: B3-D#4

(Blue IPA indicates modification, and addition of missing verses, to Ellingboe transcription)

<u>trans</u>	<u>criptio</u> i	<u>n)</u>				
Sov	min	søn,	0	slumr	e	sødt!
[soːv	min	søn	u	'sl u mı	· ə	søt]
SOV			О	ʻ∫lomr	ε	sœt
endnu	ı	gaar	din	Vugge	Vugge	
['ɛnnt	t	go:r	din	'v u gg	Э	bløt]
'εn:nt	t	gor		'v u g:g	jε	blœt
ak,	skjønt	t	Hun,	dig	Livet	gav,
[ak	∫ænt		h u n	dæj	ʻli:və	ga:v]
	∫œnt			dæi	ʻli:vɛt	gav
ligger		i	den	kolde	Grav	
['ligge)ſ	i	den	'kɔllə	grazv]	
ʻlIg:g	213		den	'kɔl:lε	grav	
Kan	ei	vaag		ved	din	Blund,
[kɑn	æj	'vo:kə	ı	ve:	din	bl u n]
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['ÇYSSƏr		æj	din	'ru:sə	nm u n]	
'ÇYS:S		æi			nm u n	
fange	r	ei	dit	første		Smil
['faŋə	ſ	æj	dit	'fœ∫tə)	'smi:l]
ʻfαŋε	ſ	æi		'fœ∫tε		_

fik [fik	ved ve:	dig dæj dæi	kun kun k u n	Døden 'dø:də 'dø:dɛ	ns	Piil. pi:l]
Sov [sov	min min	Søn, søn	gcb	blidel 'bli:da		
Fader ['fɑ:dɛ		sidder 'sIt:te		end en	hos hus	dig, dæi]
Vugge ['v u g:		dig dæi	med me	uvant 't:Vai		Fod, fut]
<mark>Skjær</mark> ['∫æım		dig dæi	med me	Liv liv	og o	Blod. blud]
Enson ['ɛnsɔ']		er ær	det de	om mc	ham ham	nu, n u]
Livet ['li:vɛt	ham ham	en εn	Kval kval	og o	Gru - gr u]	
Sorger ['sorge		helle ' hɛl:lɛ	<mark>tunge</mark> : 'tບ໗ຬ		Last last]	
Bærer ['bæ:ra		han han	for	dig dæi	gob	fast. fast]
	skal		Morg 'morg		lyst lyst]	
Mørki ['mær		af av	hans hans	tunge 'tບ໗ɛ	Dyst, dyst]	-
Aldrig ['aldri	3	<mark>skal</mark> skal	dit dit	glade 'gla:d	ε	Blik blik]
Se [se		bittre 'bIt:tra		Taared		

Sov [sov	min min	Glut, gl u t	en en		<mark>mer</mark> :mεເ	sødt! sæt]	
Trives ['tri:ve		vel, vεl	<mark>du</mark> d u	Liv liv	af av	Død! død]	
Fader ['fɑ:dɛ		har har	jo ju	ene 'ene			
Ak, [ak	saa so	er ær	han han	endnu 'ɛn:nt		rig. rik]	
Føler ['følər 'fø:lɛ		din din	Mode 'mu:d 'mu:d	ər	nær næ:[]		
i [i	dit dit	'millə	milde Uskyldskjær. 'millə ' u ∫yls∫æɪ] 'mIl:lɛ				
Er [æ:i	det de	hende 'hɛnna 'hɛn:r	Э	som som	du d u	seer se:r]	
naar [no:r	du d u	sødt søt sæt	i i	Søvne 'søvna 'sœvr	Э	leer? le:r]	
Fader ['fa:dər 'fa:dɛr		selv kan sel kan		Intet 'intət 'Intɛt	see, se:]		
Intet ['intət 'Intet	uden utən 'u:tɛr	า	Døder 'dø:dø 'dø:dø	ens	Vee ve:]		

kun [k u n	din din		lə	hon]		
igjen [i'jɛn	hjælper 'jɛlpər 'jɛlpɛr		ham ham	udove ut 'o:	den. den]	
Sov [sov		<mark>Søn,</mark> søn		slumr '∫lomra		sødt! sæt]
Endnı ['ɛn:n		•	din din	Vugge 'v u g:g		blødt, blæt]
Ak, [ak	<mark>skjøne</mark> ∫œnt	dt	Hun, h u n	dig dæi	Livet 'li:vɛ	0
Ligger		i i		kolde 'kɔl:lɛ		

Udfarten / ut'farten

Text by Andreas Munch (1811-1884) Set by Edvard Grieg (1848-1907) Op. 9, #4 Romancer og Ballader til Digte af A. Munch

Key: Through-composed

Range: C4-G5

Det [de	var var	en en	dæmre 'demre					
et [ɛt	Skib ∫i:p	laa lo	tæt tɛt	under ' u n:n		Ø, ø]		
Hvor [vur	dunkl 'dʊŋk				og hænge o 'hense			Krat krat]
sig [sæi	spejle 'spæ		i i	klaren 'klɑ:ɾɛn		Sø. ∫∅]		
Alt [alt	gik en forfriskende Morgenluft jik en for'friskende 'morgenl u ft]							
igjenn [i'jɛn:r		den den	stille 'stIl:la					
Og [၁	O			og o	C			
sødt [sœt	havde sig 'hαd:dε sæi		0	sammensat. 'sam:mɛnsat]				
Det [de	dunkl 'dʊŋk		Skib ∫i:p	endnı 'ɛn:n		roligt 'ru:likt	laa, lo]	
Dets [dɛts	Mast		mod mut	Himle 'hImle		stod; stu]		

Dog havde det alt beredt sig paa 'hαd:dε de alt [dog be:ret sæi pol at sprede sin Vinge god. 'vine gu] [at 'spreda sin Thi **Gyldenbud** naar Dagens første 'iyldenbud] [ti nor 'da:gens 'fϺtε sit Skjær over Aasen gav, 'o:ver 'o:sen gav] [sit ∫ær Da skulde det af Fjorden stævne ſdα 'skul:lε de 'fju:ren] 'stεvnε αν mod vilde, det fremmede Hav. ud det [ut mut de vIl:lε de frem:mede hav] Og se! paa Dækket forventningsfuld min unge Hustru sad; dεk:kεt for'ventninsful [] se ро min 'σηε 'hustru sat] Hun fager, huld hun var saa var saa [hun 'να:kει hul] var SO hun ναι SO som den rød mende Roses Blad. [som 'mende blad] dεn rø 'ru:ses havde i Hun sin Haand min ømt lagt 'hαd:dε i [hun sin hon min cemt lakt] mens ud det **Fjerne** hun saa; [mens ut i de fjærne: hun so] Hendes Drøm var til **Gjerning** bragt; nu til brakt] ['hɛn:nɛs drøm var 'jærnin nu vi skulde tilsammen gaa til'sam:men go] [vi skul:lε

Lang [laŋt	t over Hav	til til	fremn 'frem:	nede mεdε	Kyst çyst]			
til [til	sydens 'sy:dɛns	dejlig 'dæili	•	Land,				
Vi [vi	skulde 'sk u l:lɛ	vandr 'vand		i i	Ungdon 'ບŋdom	•	ved ve	Arnos, a:mos]
ved [ve	Tiberens 'ti:berens	Strane stran]						
For [for	hende hɛn:nɛ	laa lo	Livet 'li:vɛt		morgen		· ·	
Saa [so	daglangt, 'daglaŋt	saa SO		edsrigt etstrikt]				
Hun [h u n	svævede 'sve:vɛdɛ	ud u t	paa po	den dεn	herlige 'hærlige	Fa for		
mos [mcs]	Dronningen 'dron:niŋɛn	i i	et εt	Digt. dIkt]				
Gud [g u d	være lovet 'væ:rɛ 'lo:vɛ		da da	ej æi	saa so]			
ret [rɛt	dybt i dypt i	Fremt		ind; in]				
Ej [æi	længe deref 'lɛŋɛ 'dæ:		hun h u n	stille 'stII:le	:]			
laa [lo	<mark>under</mark> ' น ท:ทธเ	Muld m u l	med me	hvide 'vi:tɛn		K ind. In]		

Fra Monte Pincio / fra monte pIn∫jo

Text by Bjørnstjerne Bjørnson (1832-1910)

Set by Edvard Grieg (1848-1907) Op. 39, # 1 Romancer Ældre og Nyere

Key: G b Major Range: B b 3 - A b 5

Aftenen ['aftenen	kommer, 'kom:mer		står rød, en sto: rø:d]			
farvende ['farvende	Stråler 'stro:ler	i i	Rummet 'rom:met	hensk	•	
Lyslængslens ['ly:sleŋslɛns		i i	uendelig u'endeli	Fylde,		
Fjeldet ['fjɛl:lɛ	forklares for'kla:res	som som	Åsyn 'o:syn	i i	Død. dø:d]	
Kuplerne ['k u plɛrnɛ	gløde, 'glø:dε	men men	længere 'lɛŋɛɾɛ		Tågen 'to:ker	
langs Marke		O	Sorte 'sorte]			
vugger ['v u g:gɛɾ	opover op'o:ver	som som	Glæmselen 'glemselen	før, fø:[]		
over hin ['o:ver hin	Dal dæk	-	tusind 't u :sɛn	Års ors	Slør. ∫lø:r]	
Aftnen, ['aftnɛn	hvor rød vu:r rø:d	og ၁	varm, bluss		af av	Folkelarm,
glødende ['glø:dɛndɛ	Hornmusil 'hɔrnmʉsik	x, Blom	O	brund 'br u :r		Blik. blik]
Tankerne ['taŋkɛɪnɛ	stræ 'stre:		i Farve			

0	Toner		trofas 'tru:fas		mod mu:t	det, de:	mos mcs	forso	ner. ມ:nεເ]		
Stille ['stIl:le		det de	bliver	1	end εn	dunk 'dʊŋkl		Blå, blo:]			
Himme ['hIm:m		våger 'vo:ga		og o	venter						
opunde [ɔp'ʉn:		Fortio	d ,	mos	blund 'bl u n:		og o	Fren 'frem			
som [som '	stund 'st u n:		usikr ' u :sikı		Blus bl u s	i i	det de	ruge មេ:g	nde εndε	Grå! gro:]	
	det de	vil vII	samle 'sam		sig! sæi]						
Roma ['ru:ma		fremst	0	lystæ		en en	Nat nat	for for	Italiei i'ta:lie		Rige, 'ri:kε]
Klokke ['klok:ka		kime, 'çi:mε		Kanoi ka'nu	nerne :nerne		slå, ∫lo:]				
Minder		flamm 'flam:r		på po		tidens i:dɛns	Blå. blo:]				
Yndig ['yndi		Håb hop	og o	Tro, tru:	qo qo	mod mu:t	Nygif ny:'jif		To tu:]		
jubler ['jʉ:blɛɾ	Г	en en	Sange 'sane		til til	Cithe	r	og ၁	Fløjte 'fløyts	_	
Stærke ['stærke		Længs		få fo:	barne 'barne		Hvile	•			
Mindre ['mIndre		tør tør	vaagı 'vokn		og o	smile:					

Dulgt Kjærlighed/ dult 'çærli:het

Text by Bjørnstjerne Bjørnson (1832-1910) Set by Edvard Grieg (1848-1907) Op. 39, #2 Romancer Ældre og Nyere

Key: B minor Range: F#4-G5

Han [hɑn	tvær tvær	over 'O:VEI			hang, hɑŋ]			
Hun [h u n	lystig 'lysti	i i	Danso		sig sæi	svang svan]	•	
Hun [h u n	legte, 'lektε		lo lu	med me	en en	og ၁	med me	to, tu]
hans [hans	hjært 'jærte		var VOI	nær nær	ved ve	at at	briste, 'brIste	
men [mɛn	det de	var var	der dær	ingen, 'iŋɛn		vidste 'vIste]		
Hun [h u n	gik jik	bag bak	ved ve	Laden		den dεn	kvæld kvel]	d,
han [han	kom kom	for	at at	sige 'si:ε	farvel 'farvel			
	kasted 'kaste		sig sæi	ned, ned]				
hun [h u n	græd gre:t	O	hun h u n	græd, gre:t]				
sit [sit	livs-h		det de	skulde 'sk u l:l		hun h u n	miste. 'mIsta	

Men det var der ingen, som vidste. [men de var dær 'inen som 'vIste]

Ham tiden faldt frygtelig lang. [ham 'ti:den falt 'frykteli lan]

Såkomhantilbageengang.[sokomhantil'ba:kε'εngan]

Hun havde det godt; hun fred havde fåt; [hun 'had:de de got hun fred 'had:de fot]

hun tænkte på ham i det sidste. [hun 'tɛŋktɛ po ham i de 'sIstɛ]

Men det var der ingen, som vidste. [men de var dær ingen som vIste]

I Liden højt deroppe / i 'li:den hæyt dær'op:pe

Text by Jonas Lie (1833-1908)

Set by Edvard Grieg (1848-1907) Op. 39, #3 Romancer Ældre og Nyere

Key: E Major Range: E4-G5

I [i	Liden li:dɛn	•	derop dær'ɔ	-	der dær	ligger 'lIg:g		Snarø 'sna:	•	og ၁	sigt 'sIk	
ligger ['lIg:ga	er Er	en en	Klarø kla:ro	•	og o	digter 'dIkter						
højt [hæyt	over 'O:VEI	Vriml 'vrIma		og o	Stimle 'stIml		ser ser	han han	Himle 'hImle		bl ble	
O [ጋ	så SO	blå, blo	evig, 'e:vi	herlig 'hæ:rli		Imelle		Grane		Top 'top	pe. :pε]	
Ved [ve	Elven 'ɛlvɛn	•	derne dær'n									
mos [mcs]	suser 'St:SE	ſ	blandt blant	t	Bjerko 'bjærk		sit sit	Kvæd 'kve:c				
står [stor	Digter		Glæd	*	hans hans	Rede. re:dε]						
Just [j u st	midt mIt	i i	Vrimle		og o	Stimle 'stImle		ser ser	han han	Him 'hIm		blå, blo]
O [ጋ	så SO	blå, blo	evig, 'e:vi	herlig 'hæ:ɾli		I i	kjære 'çjæ:ɾɛ	:	Øjne 'œyne		rned er'ne	e. :dε]
Men [mεn	rør IØI	e j , æi	rør IØI	ej æi	Redet! re:dε]	!						
Skal [skal	fra fra	Himle 'hImle		blå, blo	Nok nok	Skytte		Redet		fred fre:d		

Millom Rosor / 'mil:lom 'ru:sur

Text by Kristofer Janson (1841-1917) Set by Edvard Grieg (1848-1907) Op. 39, #4 Romancer Ældre og Nyere

Key: E ♭ minor Range: D4-F5

I [i	Hagen 'ha:gɛn	sat sat	Mod'ri 'mu:dri	med me:	Barnet 'barne		på po	Fang, fɑŋ]
millon ['mil:lo								
ho [hu:	log, og lu:g o	ho hu	hyfste 'hyfste	dat dat	Dagen 'dα:gε		\$0	lang laŋ]
ho [hu	kysste 'çystɛ	på po	Auga, 'æ u gα	ho hu	kysste 'çystɛ	-	Kinn. çIn]	
"Gud [gʉ:d	gjeve eg 'je:νε e:g	altid 'alti	såg Kvilst so:g 'kvIlst		din din	millor 'mil:lo		Rosor." 'ru:sur]
Og [o:g	Hagen 'ha:gɛn	vardt vart	bladlaus, 'bla:dlæ u vs]					
han [hɑn	døjdde 'dœγdε	kvar kvar	Leik, millon læik 'mil:lo		Rosor,			
I [i:	Stova 'sto:va	låg lo:g	Guten 'gʉ:tɛn	so so:		og o:g	so :	bleik blæik]
Og [o:g	Mod'ri 'mu:dri	batt bat	gråtfull 'gro:tf u l	kring kriŋ	Kista 'çIsta		Krans krans]	
no [nu:	skulde 'sk u l:lɛ	ho hu:	altid sjå 'αlti ∫o:	Kvilst		hans hans	millo:	

Ved en ung Hustrus Båre / ve en un 'hustrus 'bo:re

Text by Olaf Peder Monrad (1849-1920)

Set by Edvard Grieg (1848-1907) Op. 39, #5 Romancer Ældre og Nyere

Key: C minor Range: C4-F5

Blegnet hun, midt i Livets Glød; ['bleknɛt hun mit i 'li:vɛts glød]

segnet hun som ej aned Død. ['sæinεt hun som æi 'α:nεt død]

Døden agted ej Livets Blomstervej, fagrest Blomst den brød! ['dø:den akted æi 'li:vets 'blomstervæi 'fagrest blomst den brød]

Sorgens Toner lyde, kan ej Fred betyde, ['sorgens 'tu:ner ly:de kan æi fred be'ty:de]

Længslens Suk og Råb, kan det rumme Håb? ["lɛŋslɛns suk o rob kan de rom:mɛ hop]

BårensænkesiJordenned;['bo:ren'seŋkesi'ju:renned]

TårenspejlerdetmørkeSted.['to:ren'spæilerde'mærkested]

Han som misted jo kjærlig Lykkes Ro, [han som mIstet ju 'çjærli 'lyk:kes ru]

Far og Mor stå ved. [far o mur sto ve]

DausynligkommerLivetsstoreDommer,[da'u:synli'kom:mer'li:vets'stu:re 'dom:mer]

lærer dem det Råb, som kan rumme Håb. ['læ:rɛr dem de rob som kan rom:me hop]

Eros / 'e:10s

Text by Otto Benzon (1856-1927) Set by Edvard Grieg (1848-1907) Op. 70, #1 Fem Digte af Otto Benzon

Key: C Major Range: C4-F5

Hør [hør	mig, mæi	I i	_	Hjær 'jærte		i i	Nord, nur]	
I [i	mcs	vil vIl	Fryd fry:d	i i	Forsa;	gelsen gelsen	finde, fIndε]	
I [i	går gor	iblind i'blIn:r	-	vil vIl	plukk 'plʊk:ŀ		Roser,	
hvor [vur	Roser		e j æi	gror. grur]				
Årene [0:ɾɛnɛ			Kræf 'krefte		svinde 'svInd	,		
hvor [vur	er ær	vel vel	Sneer 'sne:	•	mos	faldt falt	ifjor? i'fjuɾ]	
Ej [æi	I i	det de		tilbag tilba	•	vinde vIn:na	_	
Læg [lεk	Jer jer	paa po	Sinde 'sInda		mine 'mi:na	E	Ord: ur]	
Favne ['favna		hende hɛn:nɛ		mcs	helt helt	gav gav	sig sæi	hen, hεn]
hende ['hɛn:r	•	hvem vem	helt helt	du d u	dig dæi	gav gav	igen, i'jεn]	

favne ['fαvnε		hende 'hɛn:nɛ		med me	al al	den den	Ild, il]	
al [al	den den	Livets		luend 'l u :ຬn		Læng 'lɛŋsɛ		
mos mcs]	i i	dit dit	baken 'ba:ka		Hjært 'jærte	te	bor, bur]	
det [de	er ær	den den	største 'stϺt		nej næi	mere 'meιε	end en	det! de]
det [de	er ær	den dεn	enest		virkel 'vIrkel	O		
store [stu:re	2	Lykke 'lyk:ke		på po	Jord. jur]			

Jeg lever et Liv i Længsel / jæi 'le:vɛr ɛt liv i 'lɛŋsɛl

Text by Otto Benzon (1856-1927)

Set by Edvard Grieg (1848-1907) Op. 70, #2

Fem Digte af Otto Benzon

Key: E ♭ minor Range: Bb3-E5

Jeg [jæi	havde 'had:c		betalt,		hvad va	jeg jæi	skyldı '∫γltε]		
dækk ['dɛk:l		Glæde 'gle:da		med me	Sorg, sorg]				
Blodiş ['blu:c	,	Rente		havde		jeg jæi	svaret		af, αν]
hvad [va	jeg jæi	tog tuk	på po	Borg.					
Jeg [jæi	havde 'had:c		så so	mege 'me:g		og o	led le	nu n u	ikke mer, 'Ik:kε mer]
Mit [mit	Hjær 'jærte		nød nød	den dεn	samn 'sam		Fred fred]		
mce]	den dεn	Døde 'dø:d		i i	Grave		Ler. ler]		
Hvi [vi	blev ble	jeg jæi	ikke 'Ik:kε	derne dær'r					
Hvi [vi	kaldte 'kaltɛ	;	du d u	mig mæi	af av	Grav? grav]	,		
Tusino ['tʉ:sɛ		Pine 'pi:ne	jeg : jæi	prøve 'prø:va		for [1Ct			

hver en Glæde du gav, gav] gle:dε d₩ [vær en så mine Tanker, fredløse Sted, Syge er hvert et 'mi:ne 'taŋker 'fredløse vært εt sted] [sy:ge so ær Livet, Hvad skulde jeg dog med li:vεt] ſνα skul:lε jæi dog me fulgte med? når Lykken ej ʻlγk:kεn 'fulte me] [nor æi Jeg lever et Liv i Længsel, 'lεηsεl] [jæi le:ver et liv i i Længsel sugende og Savn, ſί 'su:gεnε 'ΙεηςεΙ savn] Э Lykke længes efter, jeg ['lγk:kε ʻlεηεs 'εftεr] jæi Lykke og Fred i din Favn. [lyk:ke o favn] fred i din Men aldrig Trængsel, ender min ʻaldri [men 'en:ner min 'trensel] aldrig blir du min Brud ['aldri blir d₩ min brud] jeg holder det ikke ud! [jæi 13l:lcd de Ik:kε ut]

Lys Nat / ly:s na:t

Text by Otto Benzon (1856-1927) Set by Edvard Grieg (1848-1907) Op. 70, #3

Fem Digte af Otto Benzon Key: Through-Composed

Range: C#4-F5

['ly:se nat vi

æ:r

Var [vɑr	det de	ej æi	nylig, 'ny:li]						
Solen ['su:lɛr	n	sank saŋk	ned ne:d	bag ba:k	Skove 'sko:v		i i	det de	Fjerne, 'fjæmɛ]
nylig ['ny:li	først, fϺt	at at	den den	blege 'ble:k		Stjerr 'stjær			
så [so:	sit sit	Billed		i i	Bølge 'bœlg		blank blank		
	det de	alt alt	Dagen		Guld, g u l	som mce	gryr?	•	
Glider ['gli:dɛ		alt alt	Solen		Lavas				
Over	de di	bjerge 'bjærg		bølged 'bœlg		Skyr' ∫y:r]	?		
	det de	idnct	med me	Natte 'nat:t		Drøn dræn	nme? n:mε]		
Neppe ['nɛp:p		komm 'kom:		drage 'dra:g		du d u	bort		
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Se dig for / se dæi for

Text by Otto Benzon (1856-1927)

Set by Edvard Grieg (1848-1907) Op. 70, #4 Fem Digte af Otto Benzon

Key: F minor Range: C4-F5

Se [se	dig dæi	for,	når Nor	du d u	vælgei 'velgei		din din	Vej, væi]
tidt [tIt	går gor	Sti sti	over 'O:VEI	gynge 'jyŋɛr		Grund Gr u nd		
Vov [vov	dig dæi	længe 'lɛŋɛɾ	r	fra fra	Bredd 'bred:		ej, æi]	
End [εn	hvor VUI	du d u	véd, vet	du d u	kan kan	bunde 'b u nda		
	i i	Alvor 'alvur	er ær	mange 'maŋɛ		Leg, lek]		
se [se	dig dæi	for,	når Nor	du d u	vælgei 'velgei		Vej. væi]	
Se [se	dig dæi	for,	hvor VUI	du d u	sætter 'set:te		din din	Fod, fut]
Va'r [var	dig dæi	vel vel	for for	Smud 'sm u d		og o	Dynd 'dynd	
Skæbr ['∫ɛbna		bli'r blir	dig dæi	kun k u n	lidet 'li:tɛ	god, gu]		
Når [nor	mod mut	dig dæi	selv sel	du d u	har har	synde 'synda		
Faldet ['fal:lɛ		følger fælger		bitter bIt:ter	en en	Bod, bud]		

Digtervise

Text by Otto Benzon (1856-1927) Set by Edvard Grieg (1848-1907) Op. 70, #5 Fem Digte af Otto Benzon

Key: D Major Range: A3-D#5

Der [dær	er ær	jo ju	de, di]							
mos mcs]	er ær	Ho'de		kun k u n	og o	Mave		og O	Arme og	Ben, ben
Jeg [jæi	gratu 'gra:tt		de go di 'gu		Folk, folk		volder 'vʊldɛɾ	•	Verden 'værden	Mén. men]
Men [mεn	jeg jæi	blev blεv	nu n u	støbt stæpt		et εt	andet 'ande		Metal, 'me:tal]	
Jeg [jæi	fik fik	et εt	Hjært 'jærte	te	i i	Bryst bryst]				
O g [၁	den dεn	kan kan	rumm 'rʊm:r		Alver		Kval, kval]			
Men [mεn	og o	så so	Alvero		Lyst.					
Heisa, ['hæise	α	I i	Godt got	folk Alct	derne dær'n					
I [i	er ær	nu n u	de, di	mos mcs	I i	er, ær]				
I [i	ser ser	slet ∫lɛt	ikke 'Ik:kε	de di	Vinge	· ·				

bærer mig over Jer. som op o:ver jer] [som ,pæ:isi mæi qc Der er jo de, ju [dær ær di] Hobens Dom er for hvem ét med Højesteret, 'hœyesteret] [for vεm 'hu:bɛns dom ær εt me Jeg gratulerer de gode Folk, 'gra:tulerer di [jæi ʻgu:dε folk] de vandt deres Sag så let. [di vant 'de:res sak lεt] SO Men jeg blev støbt i et andet Metal, nu jæi blεv stœpt i 'andet 'me:tal] [mɛn nu εt Jeg hæved frejdig min Røst [jæi 'hε:vεt 'fræidi min rœst] Og blev end Hoben knusende gal, [] blεv εn 'hu:bεn 'knʉ:sɛndɛ gal] øgede Det kun min Lyst. [de 'ø:gεdε kun min lyst] I I Hejsa, Godt folk dernede! blev nu de, ['hæisa 'dær'n:edɛ di i got folk i blεv nu I blev, For mig kan I mene, som [som i blεv rct mæi kan i mε:nε] hvad **Fanden** I vil, skrev nu skrev. jeg det, som jeg i 'fanden VΙΙ jæi skrεv nu skrev] ſvα de iæj mce Der jo de, er [dær ær ju di]

Kærlighed som lidt kan nippe så hist, så her, 'nIp:pε [som lit 'çærli:het kαn hIst hær] so so Jeg gratulerer de gode Folk, de får just, 'gra:tulerer 'gu:dɛ fɔlk di for just] [jæi di hvad de værd. er ſνα di vært] æı andet Metal, Men jeg blev støbt i et nu [men jæi blεv stœpt i εt 'andet 'me:tal] nu spiller højere Jeg et Spil, [jæi spII:ler 'hœγειε spi:l] εt Et Spil, hvor gælder Knald eller Fald, det spi:l vur 'jɛl:lɛɾ [εt de knal el:ler fal] Hvor Alt eller Intet jeg vil. [vur alt າ3l:l3ໍ 'Intet jæi vII] Hejsa, I Godt folk dernede! ['hæisa i folk got dær'ne:dɛ] Jer volder Verden ej Mén, [jær 'volder 'værden æi men] I For I, kan nøjes med mange, nct] i i 'nœyes 'mαηε] kan me nøjes én. hvor jeg kun kan med

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Appendix B. Opus 2-70 Catalogue (Continued)

* Key: (Language has been indicated by Nationality)
Danish = Dano-Norwegian Norsk= Norwegian (bokmål)

Opus	Opus Title	Song Title	Poet	Language	Year	Range
2	Vier Lieder für Altstimme und Klavier	1. Die Müllerin	Chamisso	German	1861	A#3-E5
	dedicated to : Wibecke Meyer	2. Eingehüllt in grauen Wolken	Heine	German	1861	B3-G5
	Published by Peters 1863	3. Ich stand in dunkeln Träumen	Heine	German	1861	Ab3-Eb5
	Schubert & Schumann influence	4. Was soll ich sagen?	Chamisso	German	1861	C#4-E5
4	Seks Digte af H. Heine, L. Uhland og A. von Chamisso for Altstemme og Pft.	1. Die Waise	Chamisso	German	1864 1865	A3-E5
	Contralto/Mezzo	2. Morgenthau	Chamisso	German	1864 1865	A3-E5
	dedicated to: Nina Hagerup	3. Abschied	Heine	German	1864 1865	C#4-E♭5
		4. Jägerlied	Uhland	German	1864 1865	B♭3-F5
		5. Das alte Lied	Heine	German	1864 1865	C4-C5
	Foreshadowing of piano sonata 1 year later	6. Wo sind sie hin?	Heine	German	1864 1865	B3-E5
5	Hjertets Melodier af Hans Christian Andersen dedicated to: H.C. Andersen	1. To brune øjne	H.C. Andersen	Danish	1864	D4-E5
	engagement gift to Nina Hagerup	2. En Digters Bryst	H.C. Andersen	Danish	1864	B#4-F#5
	#3 transcribed in 1884 for piano by Grieg	3. Jeg elsker dig	H.C. Andersen	Danish	1864	E4-F5
	published at Grieg's expense in 1865	4. Min Tanke er et maegtigt Fjeld	H.C. Andersen	Danish	1864	B4-E♭5
9	Romancer og Ballader til Digte af A. Munch	1. Harpen	A. Munch	Norsk	1866	C4-F5

Opus	Opus Title	Song Title	Poet	Language	Year	Range
	dedicated to: Erikka Lie	2. Solnedgang	A. Munch	Norsk	1863	B3-C5
	#3 also for piano Op. 41 #1	3. Vuggesang	A. Munch	Norsk	1866	B3-D#4
		4. Udfarten	A. Munch	Norsk	1866	C4-G5
10	Lette Sange med Piano	1. Taksigelse	Chr. Winther	Danish	1864	D4-E5
		2. Skovsang	Chr. Winther	Danish	1864	D4-E♭5
		3. Blomsterne tale	Chr. Winther	Danish	1864	D4-E5
		4. Sang på Fjeldet	Chr. Winther	Danish	1864	C4-E♭5
15	Romancer af H. Heine, H. C. Andersen og Chr. Richardt	Margretes Vuggesang fra "Kongsemnerne"	Ibsen	Norsk	1868	C4-F5
	#2 Also for piano Op. 52 (1/5) (originally #1 of Op. 9)	2. Kjaerlighed	Andersen	Danish	1864	D♭4-F5
	#3 Also for piano Op. 41 (2)	3. Langelandsk Folkemelodi	Andersen	Danish	1864	B3-F5
	dedicated to: Erikka Lie	4. Modersorg	Richardt	Danish	1870	F4-F5
18	Romancer og Sange af danske og norske Digtere for Mezzo-Soprano or Baritone	1. Vandring i Skoven	Andersen	Danish	1869	D♭4-F5
	#2 Also for piano Op. 41 #4	2. Hun er saa hvid	Andersen	Danish	1869	D#4-D5
		3. En Digters sidste Sang	Andersen	Danish	1869	C#4-E#5
		4. Efteraarsstormen	Richardt	Danish	1865	A3-F5
		5. Poesien	Andersen	Danish	1869	C#4-E5
		6. Ungbirken	Moe	Norsk	1869	D#4-D#5
		7. Hytten	Andersen	Danish	1869	B3-E5
		8. Rosenknoppen	Andersen	Danish	1869	E♭4-F5

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	For baritone solo & male quartet	9. Serenade til Welhaven	Bjørnson	Norsk	1868	E4-E♭5
21	Fire Digte af Bjørnson's 'Fiskerjenten' #1 also for piano Op. 52 #2 & String Orch. Op. 53 #2	1. Det første møte	Bjørnson	Norsk	1873	Db4-Ab5
		2. God morgen	Bjørnson	Norsk	1870	D4-F#5
	#3 Also for piano Op. 41 (6)	3. Jeg giver mit digt til våren	Bjørnson	Norsk	1872	C#4-G5
		4. Tak for dit råd	Bjørnson	Norsk	1872	C4-A5
23	Incidental Music to Ibsen's 'Peer Gynt'	17. Peer Gynts Serenade	Ibsen	Norsk	1874 1875	E4-F#5
		19. Solveigs Sang	Ibsen	Norsk	1874 1875	E4-A5
		26. Solveigs Vuggevise	Ibsen	Norsk	1874 1875	C#4-F#5
25	Seks Digte af Henrik Ibsen	1. Spillemænd	Ibsen	Norsk	1876	A3-E5
		2. En Svane	Ibsen	Norsk	1876	D4-F5
		3. Stambogsrim	Ibsen	Norsk	1876	E4-D5
		4. Med en vandlilje	Ibsen	Norsk	1876	D#4-F5
		5. Borte	Ibsen	Norsk	1876	E4-F5
		6. En fuglevise	Ibsen	Norsk	1876	Eb4-Ab5
26	Fem Digte af John Paulsen	1. Et Håb	John Paulsen	Norsk	1876	E♭4-G5
		2. Jeg reiste en deilig Sommerkveld	John Paulsen	Norsk	1876	C#4-F#5
		3. Den ærgjerrige	John Paulsen	Norsk	1876	D4-G5
		4. Med en Primula veris	John Paulsen	Norsk	1876	Db4-Gb5
		5. På Skogstien	John Paulsen	Norsk	1876	E♭4-G5

Opus	Opus Title	Song Title	Poet	Language	Year	Range
32	Den Bergtekne 'gammel stev style' for baritone, string orchestra and horns	Den Bergtekne can be traced back to 13th century		Norsk	1878	D#4-G5
33	Tolv Melodier til Digte af A. O. Vinje	1. Guten	A.O. Vinje	Nynorsk	1880	B4-F#5
		2. Våren	A.O. Vinje	Nynorsk	1880	D#4-F#5
		3. Den Særde	A.O. Vinje	Nynorsk	1880	D#4-F#5
		4. Tytebæret	A.O. Vinje	Nynorsk	1880	C4-F5
	# 5 example of Omkved	5. Langs ei Å	A.O. Vinje	Nynorsk	1877	E4-E5
		6. Eit Syn	A.O. Vinje	Nynorsk	1880	C#4-F#5
	also for piano Op. 52 #6	7. Gamle Mor	A.O. Vinje	Nynorsk	1873	D4-F#5
		8. Det Første	A.O. Vinje	Nynorsk	1880	C4-F5
		9. Ved Rundarne	A.O. Vinje	Nynorsk	1880	Db4-F5
		10. Eit Vennestykke	A.O. Vinje	Nynorsk	1880	C#4-D5
		11. Trudom	A.O. Vinje	Nynorsk	1880	Db4-Gb5
	also for st. orchestra Op. 53 #1	12. Fyremål	A.O. Vinje	Nynorsk	1880	D4-G5
39	Romancer Ældre og Nyere	1. Fra Monte Pincio	Bjørnson	Norsk	1870	В♭3-А♭5
		2. Dulgt Kjærlighed	Bjørnson	Norsk	1873	F#4-G5
		3. I Liden højt deroppe	Lie	Norsk	1884	E4-G5
		4. Millom Rosor	Janson	Norsk	1869	D4-F5
	#5 also arranged for voice and reed organ #6 originally German, translated to Norwegian	5. Ved en ung Hustrus Båre	Monrad	Norsk	1873	C4-F5
		6. Hører jeg Sangen klinger	Heine/ Rolfsen	German/ Norsk	1885	D4-G5
44	Reiseminder Fra Fjeld of Fjord	1. Prolog	Drachmann	Danish	1886	D4-G5

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		2. Johanne	Drachmann	Danish	1886	B3-E5
		3. Ragnhild	Drachmann	Danish	1886	E4-G5
		4. Ingebjørg	Drachmann	Danish	1886	E4-F5
		5. Ragna	Drachmann	Danish	1886	D4-E5
		6. Epilog	Drachmann	Danish	1886	E4-E5
48	Sechs Lieder (Norwegian translations by Rolfsen)	1. Gruss	Heine	German	1888	E4-F#5
		2. Dereinst, Gedanke mein	Geibel	German	1888	D#4-C#5
		3. Lauf der Welt	Uhland	German		D4-F#5
		4. Die verschwiegene Nachtigall	Walther von der Vogelweide	German	1888	D4-E5
		5. Zur Rosenzeit	Goethe	German	1888	C4-F5
		6. Ein Traum	Bodenstedt	German	1888	C4-A\5
49	Sechs Gedichte von Holger Drachmann	1. Saa du Knøsen	Drachmann	Danish	1887	A3-F#5
		2. Vug, O Vove	Drachmann	Danish	1887	C#4-F#5
		3. Vær, hilset, I Damer	Drachmann	Danish	1887	D4-F5
		4. Nu er Aftnen lys og lang	Drachmann	Danish	1887	C4-E5
		5. Julesne	Drachmann	Danish	1887	C4-G5
		6. Forårsregn	Drachmann	Danish	1887	D4-G♭5
58	Norge. Fem Digte af John Paulsen	1. Hjemkomst	John Paulsen	Norsk	1893 1894	B3-F5
		2. Til Norge	John Paulsen	Norsk	1893 1894	E4-F5
		3. Henrik Wergeland	John Paulsen	Norsk	1893 1894	C#4-D5
		4. Turisten	John Paulsen	Norsk	1893 1894	C#4-F5

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		5. Udvandreren	John Paulsen	Norsk	1893 1894	D4-F5
59	Elegiske Digte af John Paulsen	1. Nar jeg vil dø	John Paulsen	Norsk	1894	C#4-E♭5
		2. Pa Norges nøgne Fjelde	John Paulsen	Norsk	1894	D4-F5
		3. Til En (l)	John Paulsen	Norsk	1894	B3-C#5
		4. Til En (II)	John Paulsen	Norsk	1894	E4-F5
		5. Farvel	John Paulsen	Norsk	1894	E4-F#5
		6. Nu hviler du i Jorden	John Paulsen	Norsk	1894	D4-D5
60	Digte af Vilhelm Krag	1. Liden Kirsten	Vilhelm Krag	Norsk	1894	4 D4-F#5 4 C64-D65
		2. Moderen synger	Vilhelm Krag	Norsk	1894	C64-D65
		3. Mens jeg venter	Vilhelm Krag	Norsk	1894	D4-E#5
		4. Der skreg en Fugl	Vilhelm Krag	Norsk	1894	В♭3-Е5
		5. Og jeg vil ha mig en Hjertenskjær	Vilhelm Krag	Norsk	1894	C#4-F#5
61	Barnlige Sange	1. Havet	Rolfsen	Norsk	1894 1895	G4-E5
		2. Sang til juletreet	Krohn	Danish	1894 1895	Eb4-F5
		3. Lok	Bjørnson	Norsk	1894 1895	D4-E5
		4. Fiskervise	Dass	Norsk	1894 1895	A#3-F#5
		5. Kveldsang for Blakken	Rolfsen	Norsk	1894 1895	E4-F5
		6. De norske fjelde	Rolfsen	Norsk	1894 1895	C4-E5

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		7. Fædrelandssalme	Runeberg/ Rolfsen	Norsk	1894 1895	D4-F5
67	Haugtussa' Sang-cyklus af Arne Garborgs Fortælling (+12 other compositions not included in Op. 67)	1. Det syng	Arne Garborg	Nynorsk	1895 1898	C4-G♭5
		2. Veslemøy	Arne Garborg	Nynorsk	1895 1898	B3-F5
		3. Blåbær-Ll	Arne Garborg	Nynorsk	1895 1898	C4-F5
		4. Møte	Arne Garborg	Nynorsk	1805	C4-F5
		5. Elsk	Arne Garborg	Nynorsk	1895 1898	C4-F5
		6. Killingsdans	Arne Garborg	Nynorsk	1895 1898	D4-F#5
		7. Vond Dag	Arne Garborg	Nynorsk	1895 1898	C4-E\5
		8. Ved Gjætle-Bekken	Arne Garborg	Nynorsk	1895 1898	C4-F5
69	Fem Digte af Otto Benzon	1. Der gynger en Båd på Bølge	Otto Benzon	Danish	1895 1898	C4-F5
		2. Til min Dreng	Otto Benzon	Danish	1900	C4-E5
		3. Ved Moders Grav	Otto Benzon	Danish	1900	1895 1898
		4. Snegl, Snegl	Otto Benzon	Danish	1900	B3-F5
		5. Drømme	Otto Benzon	Danish	1900	B♭3-G5
70	Fem Digte af Otto Benzon	1. Eros	Otto Benzon	Danish	1900	C4-F5
		2. Jeg lever et Liv i Længsel	Otto Benzon	Danish	1900	В♭3-Е5
		3. Lys Nat	Otto Benzon	Danish	1900	C#4-F5
		4. Se dig for	Otto Benzon	Danish	1900	C4-F5
		5. Digtervise	Otto Benzon	Danish	1900	A3-D#5