

La Gioconda.

(1876.)

“Ah! Pescator.,”

Canzone - Barcarola.

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(1834 - 1886.)

Allegretto con spirito.

The musical score consists of three staves of music. The top staff is for bassoon, the middle for piano, and the bottom for bassoon. The music is in common time, with a key signature of two flats. The vocal line begins with a piano dynamic, followed by a melodic line with eighth-note patterns. The lyrics are as follows:

Ah! _____ Pe-sca - tor, af-fon - da
 Ah! _____ Fisher - boy, thy bait be

con brio

Le - sca, A te l'on-da sia fe - del, Lieta se - ra e buo - na
 throwing, Faith - ful are yon - waves to thee, Ocean calm and skies o'er-

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pe-sca Ti pro-met-te il ma-re il ciel. Va, tran-quilla can-ti-
 glowing Tell how rare thy luck shall be. O-ver a-zure waters

le-na, Per l'az-zur-ra immen-si-tà;
 gleaming Fly a-far, oh song un-taught!

— ah! U-na pla-ci-da si-re-na Nel-la re-te casche-
 — ah! Now a si-ren soft-ly dreaming In the net shall soon be

rà.
caught.

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(Spia co-i ful-minei tuoi sguardi ac-cor-di,
Ha! with thy keen and wary glanc-es spy-ing.

E fra le te-ne-bre con-tai tuo-i mor-ti. Si, da que-
See in the shadows wherethy dead are ly-ing. Ay, on this stacc.

st'i-so-la de-serta-e bru-na Or de-ve sor-ge-re la tua for-
island so bar-ren and lone-ly, Fortune shall find thee and fa-vor thee col canto

tu-na. Sta-in guar-dia! ejl
on-ly. Be war-y! and

ra - pi - do so - spet - to svia, E ri - di e
sud - den mis-trust shall be flying 'Mid laughing and

vi - gi - la e can - - ta_ e spi - a, e
watch-ing and sing - - ing_ and spy - ing.

can - ta e spi - a, ri - di! can - ta!)__
singing, and spy - ing, laughing! sing - ing!)__

Ah! bril-la Ve - ne-re_ se - re - na In un ciel di vo-lut-
Ah! see fair Ve - nus bright-ly beaming In a sky all pleasure-

ta;— U - na ful - gi - da si - re - na Nel - la
 fraught! Now a wan - ton si - ren gleam-ing In thy

ff

re - te ca - sche - rà, ca-scherà, casche - rà, casche - rà, nel - la
 net shall soon be caught, soon be caught, soon be caught, soon be caught, in thy

re - te ca-sche - rà, la si-re-na nella re-te ca-sche - rà, nel - la
 net shall soon be caught; Nowa si-ren in thy net shall soon be caught, in thy

deciso

re - te ca - sche - rà, casche - rà, cascherà, sì, cascherà!
 net shall soon be caught, shall be caught, shall be caught, soon shall be caught!