

## Droop Not, Young Lover

English translation of the Varo's aria *Se un bell'ardire* from the opera *Ezio* (bass)

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Set by *Georg Friedrich Händel* (1685-1759) [Gr / Br]

**Droop not, young lover,**  
[dɹup nat jʊŋ 'lʌv.ə]

Pine not in sadness,  
Sighs ne'er will move her,  
Grief is but madness,  
Love joys in gladness,  
Tears are in vain.

If she look coldly,  
Sighs will but freeze her,  
Follow her boldly,  
Plagued her and tease her,  
If thou wouldst please her,  
Hide, hide thy pain.

Still if she slight thee,  
Vex thee and spite thee,  
Ne'er let it fright thee;  
Slight her again.

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The entire text to this title with the complete  
IPA transcription is available for download.

*Thank you!*

