

Ombra mai fu

Serse's aria from the opera *Serse* (soprano castrato)

Libretto adapted from *Serse* by *Silvio Stampiglia* (1664–1725) which was based on an earlier libretto by *Nicolò Minato* (1627–1698)

Set by *Giovanni Bononcini* (1670–1747); *Francesco Cavalli* (1599–1676); *Georg Friedrich Händel* (1685–1759)

Recitative

Frondi	tenere	e	belle
[<i>'fron.di</i>	[<i>'te:.ne.re</i>	[<i>e</i>	[<i>'bel.le]</i>
Branches	tender	and	beautiful
<i>(Tender and beautiful branches)</i>			

del mio platano amato,
per voi risplenda il fato.
Tuoni, lampi, e procelle
non vi oltraggino mai la cara pace,
nè giunga a profanarvi austro rapace.

Aria

Ombra mai fu di vegetabile,
care ed amabile soave piu.

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