Enrapture - Hinc Illae Lacrimae

Swelling pyres sway restlessly From bleak to pale adorn the weald Its wild reflection wondrous A danse macabre in glass

Glimpse of festive silhouettes Free of face, of name, of guilt Enthroned in thorns, abismal eyes Adorned with fiendish grin

What forbidden feast of sin Entangles silken nymphs with hordes? To steal a glance pernicious To heed diapason divine

The longing gaze toward drifting pairs Uncovered dreams of gold and silk Yet gold melts under gruelling blaze Unbidden sentinel unveiled

Quiescent summons of revelation From eyes angelic bidding forth With ghastly fear and awe amassed Becomes an unexpected guest

In silence takes his outstretched hand Leads her in the chosen dance A kind of minuet grotesque Kindling fire of the profaned

The revelers of dark observe The nymph in play with incubus The jealous rage of succubus Unfolds forbidden passion bold

The embers gasping for a breadth The last guest crawls to find his rest As music slowly dissipates The nymph shares one last toast distressed

But Time unkind does not release Majestic spirit from this hex His temptress fair of flesh and blood His Galatea etched in stone

In watchful eye he spies the night Dare not disturb her yearning rest Bestows her dreams by bedside realm Of dancing silhouettes and pyres

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