## Songbird

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I was bought in the market For silver and song And I grew in the Songhouse To be noble and strong And the song grew within me And my voice soon took wing Now the love cradles 'round me With each note I sing

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As the Emperor's Songbird I was trained from the start From the very first teacher Who opened my heart To the people who heard me In the palace each day I have given my music And my spirit away

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I am old now and silent And my songs are all sung And the tales of my lifetime Will not pass my tongue But the glory still haunts me And my lessons survive

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And the work of the Songbirds Will continue to thrive

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