

## Scene 2

**Storyteller:** Today I would like to introduce you the Supreme Poet: Dante Alighieri:

**Dante:** "Amor e 'l cor gentil sono una cosa"

**Storyteller:** Dante says: " Love and a kind heart are the same thing"; there are no better words to express what love is because love and heart are closely linked.

**Beatrice** (next to Dante): Master Dante, good morning.

**Storyteller:** Here she is, Beatrice, the beloved of Dante.

**Dante** (he takes away his traditional dress, he is a modern man now): Oh Beatrice, you represent all the women in our Planet, in you I can see the pure love, because when a Man loves a Woman, it always starts from the heart like magic.....

**Beatrice:** Please Dante, stop talking.....I've been waiting your marriage proposal for years.....would you like to marry me or not?? (she takes away her traditional dress, too, and goes away.....so, please, .....be more decide in life!!!

**Dante:** Let's eat some spaghetti and talk! I'm hungry!

**Beatrice:** No! I want an answer now! I can't wait anymore!

**Dante:** I haven't found a big enough rock for your ring!

**Beatrice:** No more excuses! I am so fed up with you! (to servants) Give me my horse and cloak!  
Open the gate!  
*She goes away*

Beatrice, (agitated, mounts her horse,)

**Beatrice** (despairing, outside the gate): The one I love doesn't want me. Maybe when he loses me, he'll stop cheating on me. I'm on my way!

(drives away)

**Dante** (acquired): Women always get their way! I will get my beloved back!  
(to the servant)

**Dante:** Bring the horse, pass me the gun and the raspberries.

**Servant:** Lord, we don't have raspberries. The harvest was poor this month. But here I am bringing you the chocolate.

**Dante:** Give me that chocolate and the big ring from the trunk. (rides away)

**Beatrice** (sad): O unhappy me! Isn't love for me?!?

(someone is approaching)

(Beatrice wants to leave on horseback)

**Dante:** Dearest! Don't leave!

(The horse stops)

**Beatrice** (agitated): Don't bother me! I want peace!

**Dante** :Dearest! I love you more than life! Be mine forever!

**Beatrice** (in disbelief):How is that ?! You love Me?!

**Dante:**The whole heart! Here you have, my dear the most beautiful ring you deserve.

(gets off, kneels, takes out the ring, but it falls into the mud).

Oh no! (screams, excited)

**Beatrice:** And what will happen now, my beloved?

**Dante** (gasps): Without it or with it, no difference! It is important that now only peace and love await us.

**Storyteller:** And they lived happily forever