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# A STEP IN THE AIR

**Toi,**

À toi seul j'écris ces quelques paroles qui m'accompagnent à chaque instant.  
Mon regard me porte en avant, la danse toujours nous amène en avant, le pas une seconde, un autre pas et encore un pas comme un vécu de secondes enfilées sur les colliers de la vie.

**Toi,**

Le temps passe, il nous prend par la main: viens, viens au grand galop à travers les prés et par dessus les montagnes. Quelle belle illusion. Caressante et enivrante elle nous berce dans l'ici présent et le temps passe dans l'effervescence du moment.

**Toi,**

Je ne suis ni musicienne, ni écrivaine, ni danseuse. Je ne suis ni peintre, ni sculptrice, je suis sur les chemins de ce monde autant de ni(s) que de possibles. Je suis aussi ce coeur qui bat. Toujours au rythme de ton coeur.

**Toi,**

J'étire mon bras et je tend ma main. Traverser cette membrane si fine que nous pensons être pour séparer les mondes. Je sens les tambours lointains, j'entends les chants comme si je les connaissais. Et je vois la beauté qui habille la vie comme un voile de paillettes miroitantes. La beauté - cet ornement que nous enlevons pour y découvrir le diamant.

**Toi,**

Je te chéris, tellement. À en mourir. Au fil des perles de vie que nous récoltons, je te découvre, toi qui est vie, qui est tambour, qui est souffle, toi qui murmure à chaque instant ta beauté, toi, je te découvre.

**Tu es l'amour.**

Hélène

**You,**

To you alone I write these few words that accompany me at every moment.  
My gaze is forward, the dance always takes us forward, one step for a second, another step and another step like an experience of seconds threaded on the strings of life's pearls.

**You,**

Time passes, it takes us by the hand: come, come at full gallop across the meadows and over the mountains. What a beautiful illusion. Caressing and intoxicating, it lulls us into the here and now and time passes in the effervescence of the moment.

**You,**

I am not a musician, nor a writer, nor a dancer. I am not a painter or a sculptor, I am on the paths of this world in the form of many „nots“ which are at the same time possibilities. I am also this heart that beats. Always to the rhythm of your heart.

**You,**

I stretch out my arm and reach out my hand. Crossing this thin membrane of which we think that it separates the worlds. I feel the distant drums, I hear the songs as if I knew them. And I see the beauty that dresses life like a veil of shimmering sequins. Beauty - that ornament we take off to discover the diamond.

**You,**

I cherish you - so much. To death. In the pearls of life that we gather, I discover you, you who are life, who are drums, who are breath, you who whisper your beauty at every moment, you, I discover.

**You are love.**

Hélène

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**THE PROGRAM OF THE DANCE PERFORMANCE**

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## PART TWO

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