

## THE CEREMONY

### **Processional**

*Here comes the sun, The Beatles*

### **THE WELCOME**

### **FIRST READING**

*Twice Shy*, Seamus Heaney  
Read by Evelyn Robertson

### **LEGAL DECLARATION**

### **SECOND READING**

*Si Daca...*, Mihai Eminescu  
Read by Radu Pughiuc

### **LEGAL VOWS**

### **EXCHANGE OF RINGS**

### **REGISTRATION OF MARRIAGE**

*Iosif Ivanovici, Waves of the Danube*

### **CONCLUSION**

### **Recessional**

*P.D. Paradisi, Toccata in A Major*

## **Twice Shy, Seamus Heaney**

*Her scarf a la Bardot,  
In suede flats for the walk,  
She came with me one evening  
For air and friendly talk.  
We crossed the quiet river,  
Took the embankment walk.*

*Traffic holding its breath,  
Sky a tense diaphragm:  
Dusk hung like a backcloth  
That shook where a swan swam,  
Tremulous as a hawk  
Hanging deadly, calm.*

*A vacuum of need  
Collapsed each hunting heart  
But tremulously we held  
As hawk and prey apart,  
Preserved classic decorum,  
Deployed our talk with art.*

*Our Juvenilia  
Had taught us both to wait,  
Not to publish feeling  
And regret it all too late -  
Mushroom loves already  
Had puffed and burst in hate.*

*So, chary and excited,  
As a thrush linked on a hawk,  
We thrilled to the March twilight  
With nervous childish talk:  
Still waters running deep  
Along the embankment walk.*

## **Si Daca... by Mihai Eminescu**

*Si daca ramuri bat in geam  
Si se cutremur plopii,  
E ca in minte sa te am  
Si-ncet sa te apropii.*

*Si daca stele bat în lac  
Adancu-i luminandu-l,  
E ca durerea mea s-o-mpac  
Inseninandu-mi gandul.*

*Si daca norii desi se duc  
De iese-n luciul luna,  
E ca aminte sa-mi aduc  
De tine-ntotdeauna.*

### *English Translation*

*And if the branches tap my pane  
And the poplars whisper nightly,  
It is to make me dream again  
I hold you to me tightly.  
And if the stars shine on the pond  
And light its sombre shoal,  
It is to quench my mind's despond  
And flood with peace my soul.*

*And if the clouds their tresses part  
And does the moon outblaze,  
It is but to remind my heart/ long for you always.*

*Our guests have travelled from...*



Edinburgh

Philadelphia

Bristol

Reading

London

Hong Kong

Cornwall

Basingstoke