

"A Serenade, a hymn of sorts, at most a small potion for the soul." - ND

"Occasionally I like using a particular lyrical style which, in this case, lent itself naturally to telling the story of a guy (Cyrano de Bergerac) who woos his woman with poetry." - ND

LONGFELLOW SERENADE
NEIL DIAMOND

Longfellow Serenade
Such were the plans I'd made
For she was a lady
And I was a dreamer
With only words to trade

You know that I was born
For a night like this
Warmed by a stolen kiss
For I was lonely
And she was lonely

Ride, come on baby, ride
Let me make your dreams come true
I'll sing my song
Let me sing my song
Let me make it warm for you

I'll weave this web of rhyme
Upon the summer night
We'll leave this worldly time
On his winged flight
Then come, and as we lay
Beside this sleepy glade
There I will sing to you
My Longfellow serenade

Longfellow Serenade
Such were the plans I made
But she was a lady
As deep as the river
And through the night we stayed
And in my way I loved her as none before
Loved her with words and more
For she was lonely and I was lonely

Ride, come on baby, ride
Let me make your dreams come true
I'll sing my song

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Neil Diamond - 1974
Album: Serenade

NOTES:

Cyrano de Bergerac, is a skillful swordsman and a very clever poet, who is in love with his cousin Roxana, but does not dare to confess the great love that he has, because his face, apparently has a physical impediment, and that Cyrano has a very big nose, and he believes that with that appearance he will not be able to fall in love with Roxana ...

She once meets Christian, and falls madly in love with the handsome cadet who serves in the Cyrano regiment and has no more appeal than his physique, as he is a simple but very handsome boy and asks his cousin for help to conquer him. Cyrano, despite his feelings towards Roxana, promises to help her.

She wants Christian to write her love letters, but he feels unable to do so because he does not have the wit to express his feelings in words.

Cyrano offers to write the letters for Roxana, who will sign Christian, and so the young woman will feed a love for the cadet once greater, because the letters in the verse of Cyrano are wonderful, he knows how to choose the appropriate words and touch the most intimate parts of the heart of the young girl in love.