O Soave Fanciulla

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(la boheme)(oh, sweet little lady)
Rodolfo
O soave fanciulla, o dolce viso
Di mite circonfuso alba lunar,
In te ravviso il sogno
Ch'io vorrei sempre sognar!
Mimi
(ah, tu sol comandi, amor!)
Fremon nell'anima dolcezze estreme,
Ecc nel baccio freme amor!
(oh come dolci scendono le sue
Lusinghe al cor...tu sol comandi, amor!)
No, per pieta! sei mia! v'aspettan gli amici...
Gia mi mandi via? vorrei dir...ma non osso,
Di. se venissi con voi? che? mimi!
Sarebbe cosi dolce restar qui. c'e freddo fuori.v
Vi staro vicina! e al ritorno? curioso!
Dammi il braccio, o mia piccina...
Obbedisco, signor! che m'ami...di'...lo t'amo.
Rodolfo e mimi
Amor! amor! amor!

Synopses
Mimi and rodolfo are getting acquainted fast. outside, rodolfos' friends call him to join them. he would rather stay with mimi, but she shyly suggests they all go out together. "tell me you
Me," he pleads. she holds back, at first, but as this duet ends, they sing together for the first time, and their first word is "love."
English translation
Rodolfo
Oh! sweet little lady! oh, sweetest vision,
With moonlight bathing your pretty face!
The dream that I see in you is the dream I'll always dream!
Mimi
(oh, you rule alone, love!)
Deep in my soul trembles the deepest of passions, etc.
Our kisses shudder with love!
(how gently now his words of praise make their way
Into my heart...you rule alone, oh love!)
No, I beg you! you're mine now! your friends are still waiting.

So soon must I leave you? I would like...i can't say it...
Speak! what if I went along? what? mimi!
How sweet instead to stay behind here. it's freezing outside.
I'd be right beside you! what about later? who knows, sir?
Take my arm, my dear young lady...as you say, my dear sir...
Do you love me, say! I certainly do.
Rodolfo and mimi
Love! love! love!

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