

FRANCESCA BLANCHARD





RAME

Rame, rame, rame, mon âme L'océan est troublé Rame, rame, rame, mon âme	Row, row, row my soul The ocean is so troubled Row, row, row my soul
Côte en face hors vue	The shore is out of view
L'orage se rapproche Si je l'avais su Si je l'avais su Pensées noires s'accrochent Je n'aurais jamais cru	The storm is approaching If only I had known If only I had known Darkest thoughts encroaching I thought that I had grown
Je n'aurais jamais cru	Thought that I had grown
Mais tout n'est pas perdu, non Tout n'est pas perdu	But all is not lost, no All is not lost
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Je navigue aveugle Mon bateau prend de l'eau Bateau prend de l'eau Mais quelque chose me souffle Que demain il fera beau	I paddle in the dark The water fills my boat Water fills my boat But then I hear a whisper That she will stay afloat

Guitar & Backing Vocals Chris Velan Drums Caleb Bronze Bass Rob Morse Organ Lane Gibson

Pedal Steel & Electric Guitar Brett Lanier Backing Vocals Sasha Torrens-Sperry

She will stay afloat Demain il fera beau Tout n'est pas perdu All is not lost Tout n'est pas perdu All is not lost C'est pas que j'suis dur I am not a true believer Mon esprit reste un mystère But my spirit has its ways Mais j'entends le souffle So I listen to the whisper Quand les vagues me lancent en mer As I'm tackled by the waves Row, row, row my soul Rame, rame, rame, mon âme The ocean is so troubled L'océan est troublé Rame, rame, rame, mon âme Row, row, row my soul Côte en face hors vu The shore is out of view Rame, rame, rame, mon âme Row, row, row, my soul Painfulness is doubled Douleurs redoublées Row, row, row my soul Rame, rame, rame, mon âme Compas marche plus Compass broken, too Oublies un peu les doutes Dominate your fear Domines un peu les peurs Doubt no more your heart The whisper in your ear Tu connais bien la route Says faith is where you start Caché au fond de ton cœur

SAVE A DIFFERENT WAY

Saved by the rain Sauvée par la pluie

Falling again Qui tombe encore

In my hands Dans mes mains

Saved by the roads Sauvée par les routes

The roads on end Les routes sans fin

They never end Elles n'ont pas de fin

But you Mais toi

You save a different way
Tu me sauves autrement

You make me want to stay
Tu me sauves, tout simplement

Saved by the springtime Sauvée par le printemps

That allows me Qui me permet

To start over again De tout recommencer

Saved by the ticket on my countertop Sauvée par le ticket sur mon bureau

But something Mais quelque chose

Makes me want to stop M'empêche de faire le saut

It's you C'est toi

You save a different way
Tu me sauves autrement

You make me want to stay
Tu me sauves, tout simplement

Usually my heart tends to leave D'habitude mon cœur veut partir

When it feels that it can't breathe Etouffé, il veut juste fuir

Guitar Chris Velan Drums Caleb Bronze Bass Rob Morse Organ Tom Cleary

Backing Vocals Francesca Blanchard

But this time, this time it feels My heart willingly wants to stay Wants to stay, I want to stay Mais cette fois, cette fois je sens Que mon cœur veut rester Veut rester, je veux rester

You Toi

You save a different way

Tu me sauves autrement

You make me want to stay

Tu me sauves, tout simplement

LE BLUES

Maman dit	My mother tells me
"Faut voir la vie en rose"	To "see life in pink"
Papa ne mélange pas	My father won't
Le blanc et rouge	Mix red with white
J'suis une fille	l'm a girl
Qui rarement s'oppose	Who rarely keeps in sync
Perso, je préfère	But shades of blue
Les tons du blues	Are what give me delight
Blues comme les cieux	Blues like the sky
Blues comme les mers	Blues like the seas
Blues comme tes yeux	Blues like your eyes
Oui, ça je préfère	Yes, I prefer these
J'ai une sœur	My sister
Qui aime tout en noir et blanc	Sees everything in black and white
Ce qui sépare	What separates
Le bien du mal	
Mon petit frère	Good from the bad
Mon petit frere	Good from the bad My little brother
Aime tous les tons vivants	
	My little brother
Aime tous les tons vivants	My little brother Likes colors so bold and so bright
Aime tous les tons vivants Ceux qu'on voit	My little brother Likes colors so bold and so bright The ones that uplift
Aime tous les tons vivants Ceux qu'on voit D'au bout de la salle	My little brother Likes colors so bold and so bright The ones that uplift When we're sad

Et sans couleurs No place to be

Guitar Francesca Blanchard Piano Sasha Torrens-Sperry Drums Caleb Bronze

Backing Vocals Sasha Torrens-Sperry

Bass Rob Morse

Blues comme les cieux Blues like the sky
Blues comme les mers Blues like the seas
Blues come tes yeux Blues like your eyes
Oui, ça je préfère Yes, I prefer these
Ca je préfère I prefer these

Il y a tellement de douleurs
Dans le temps qui s'échappe
Il y a tellement de malheur
La vie qui me frappe
A chacun sa couleur
Et on prend la vie par la main
Le blues m'a aidé enfin

There's so much pain
In the time that escapes
So much sadness
In the days without shape
We each have our color
And ways to react
The blues have saved me, in fact

The blues are my joy, intact

Blues comme les cieux
Blues like the sky
Blues comme les mers
Blues like the seas
Blues comme tes yeux
Blues like your eyes
Oui, ça je préfère
Yes, I prefer these

Le blues c'est le bonheur, atteint

HOME IS A CAGE

Loneliness is a plane ride til midnight Solitude est un vol jusqu'à minuit And a riverbed flowing in tears And the fact that I've sat in this chair now For over a year

Et le lit d'une rivière en pleurs Et le fait que je sois assise dans ce fauteuil Depuis plus d'un an

Emptiness is an old winter cottage That is home to the birds and the bears But a flight has gone missing Le vide est une vieille bâtisse en hiver Qui héberge les oiseaux et les ours Mais un vol a disparu Et j'appelle de partout

Come back to me my daughter Fly back to the nest you belong to

Slowly home is a cage that I long to

And I've been calling everywhere

Reviens à moi, ma fille Retournes au nid où t'es née I cannot wait much longer Je ne peux attendre plus longtemps Cette maison devient une cage sans clé et

> Break free from Je veux m'échapper Break free from Je veux m'échapper Break free from Je veux m'échapper

Now my bones have all weakened inside me I no longer can move in search of you So I ask that you meet me inside please

Maintenant que mes os ont faiblis Je peux plus bouger pour te chercher Alors s'il te plait retrouves-moi a l'intérieur And tell me the truth Et dis-moi la vérité

Was it you who did knock on my window? Or the spirits of frozen New York? Maybe you could come back and III take down String Arrangement Rima Fand The missing report

C'était toi qui frappais à ma fenêtre? Ou les esprits de New York gelé? Si tu rentres le rapport d'une personne « Perdue » pourrait lire « trouvée »

Come back to me my daughter Fly back to the nest you belong to I cannot wait much longer Slowly home is a cage that I long to Break free from

Reviens à moi, ma fille Retournes au nid où t'es née Je ne peux attendre plus longtemps Cette maison devient une cage sans clé et Je veux m'échapper

Backing Vocals Sasha Torrens-Sperry Piano Sasha Torrens-Sperry Drums Caleb Bronze Bass Rob Morse

Cello McKinley James Violin Isabel Oliart

MON ANGE

C'est pas drôle

It's not funny

Mais je rigole, quand-même

But I laugh anyway

Tant qu'il y a le sourire

As long as I'm smiling

Il n'y a rien à dire

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Je ris pour rien

There's nothing to say

I'm laughing for no reason

Mais ça m'arrange, quand-même

But it suits me just fine

Tant qu'il n'y a pas de pleurs

As long as there's no fear

Pas de mal au cœur N

No heartache

Mais la vie elle change

But life, it changes

Et les nuits dérangent

And the nights derange us

Et tout ça s'mélange

And all this gets mixed up

Dans un puits au fond de mon lit

In a well at the end of my bed

C'est pour ça que j'attends mon ange

That's why I'm waiting for my angel

C'est pas la faute

It's not the fault

Du chien qui aboie Of the barking dog

Ni du rayon de soleil qui me réveille

Or the sun that wakes me

La vérité me semble troublante

The truth is hard to handle

C'est pas facile Pourtant je chante It's not easy
Yet I'm singing

Mais la vie elle change

But life, it changes

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And the nights derange us

Et tout ça s'mélange

And all of this gets mixed up

Dans un puits au fond d'mon lit

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Backing Vocals Chris Velan Trombone Andrew Moroz

WANDERER

I am a wanderer J'suis une vagabonde Looking for escape Qui veut s'échapper This road is too long Cette route est trop longue I can't reach the gate Je ne vais pas y arriver Some people tell me Les gens me disent "Beware of your heart "Fais gaffe a ton cœur The sun hits real hard Le soleil il tape fort In these parts" Et apporte le malheur" La da da, da da da da La da da, da da da, da da da

My body is aching Mon corps me fait mal From the pain in my chest Peut-être qu'il ne m'aime plus I can't get no rest Il s'endort jamais It's cold and I'm shaken Il a bien trop vécu My feet are all blistered Mes pieds me torturent From walking too fast Ils marchent trop vite Trying to run from the past Pour fuir le passé I don't miss her Mais j'suis trop têtue

Lonely and lost I can't find
My way through this big city
Of blues that I've drowned myself in
I've got nobody to talk to
Find me a lover or maybe a
Friend who can give me
Directions to somewhere back East

Seule et perdue, je ne trouve

Pas de chemin dans cette ville

Mes rêves s'effacent sous la pluie
Pas de lumière, ni de bruit
S'il te plait, quelqu'un
Trouve-moi un amant pour m'aimer
Ou même tout simplement un ami

Guitar & Banjo Chris Velan Drums Caleb Bronze Bass Rob Morse Accordion Tom Cleary

Blanchard, Chris Velan & Jacob Edgar

Francesca

Backing Vocals Gregory Douglass,

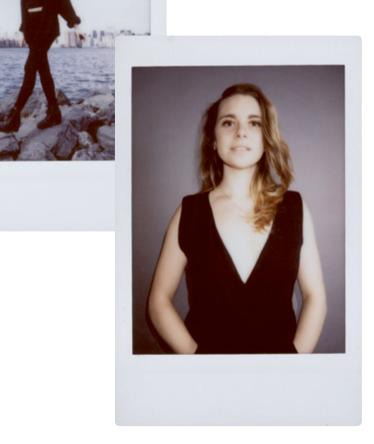
Some woman suggested Une bonne femme m'a dit I come to your house "Je connais un garcon Don't know what you're about Avec un âme qui est bon" Guess I'll find out M'a t-elle menti? She said you were sweeter Elle dit que t'es patient Than spring time in May Que toi tu comprends That perhaps I could stay Et que je pourrais 'Till the blues fade away Rester jusqu'au printemps

Hungry and thirsty J'ai faim et j'ai soif et For something worthwhile, I will cling to J'ai tellement besoin de quelqu'un Whatever salvation you throw Quelqu'un avec qui partager I've got no money to give, though Ma vie, cette vie Sing me a song of Bohemia Chantes-moi des mots Whisper the words Récites-moi tes poèmes de bohème Of a caravan lost out at sea Soigne mon cœur, ça suffit I am a wanderer J'suis une vagabonde And this is my plea Je t'en supplie

La da da, da da da da

La da da, da da da da

























NOW THAT YOU ARE GONE

Rolling down the East way

And I know I'm going to

See your face again

Don't know where I'm going

But at least I'm going Somewhere

Hit the midnight train J'ai pris le train de minuit

Descendant vers l'est

Et je sais qu'on

Se retrouvera un jour

Qui sait où je vais

Au moins je vais

Quelque part

Now that you are gone

Now that you have

Decided to move on

I will never love again

Like I did with you

I will never love again

Like I loved you

Maintenant que t'es parti

Maintenant que t'as

Décidé de passer à autre chose

Jamais plus je n'aimerai

Comme je l'ai fait avec toi

Jamais plus je n'aimerai

Comme je t'ai aimé

Sometimes I catch myself driving

By your place

And hoping that I'd

Catch a glimpse of your face

But this town is emptier than ever Now that you are gone forever Parfois je me surprends à conduire

Près de chez toi

Espérant voir

Un bout de ton visage

Mais cette ville est plus vide que jamais

Maintenant que t'es parti pour toujours

Now that you are gone

Maintenant que t'es parti

Now that you have

String Arrangement Rima Fand

Guitar Francesca Blanchard Cello McKinley James Violin Isabel Oliart

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Jamais plus je n'aimerai Like I did with you Comme je l'ai fait avec toi

I will never love again

Jamais plus je n'aimerai

Maintenant que t'as

Like I loved vou

Comme je ťai aimé

Like I loved you

Comme je t'ai aimé

Time will tell who I am without you

Hardest part is just moving on

I have faith you'll be fine wherever

Le temps dira qui je suis sans toi

Le plus dur reste de passer à autre chose J'ai confiance en ce que tu sois bien, déjà

Je voudrais être forte comme ça

I want to be that strong

Now that you are gone

Now that you have

Decided to move on

I will never love again

Like I did with you

I will never love again I will never love again

I will never love again

Like I loved you

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Maintenant que t'as

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Comme je l'ai fait avec toi

Jamais plus je n'aimerai Jamais plus je n'aimerai

Jamais plus je n'aimerai

Comme je ťai aimé

TU N'EXISTES PAS

Parmi le réveil

Et les petits matins

Parmi le sommeil

Et l'attente pour demain

Au milieu de mes cours

Et mon travail sans fin

Ton visage est dans mes pensées

Tu es là et je suis réveillée

Among the alarm clocks

And the slow mornings

Through the heavy eyes

And the waiting for tomorrow

In the middle of class

And the headaches without warning

Your face appears for my sake

You're here and I'm awake

Dans la ville de mes beaux rêves

Tu habites à mes côtés

Je te touche et tu te lèves

Et tu te mets à m'embrasser

Tu me regardes dans les yeux

Et tu lis toutes mes pensées

C'est le monde que j'invente moi-même

Parce qu'en fait tu n'existes à peine

Eh bah c'est ça

A moi de te le dire

Il n y a rien à lire

Mon bel amour, nos séjours

Car ce n'est pas la réalité

Car tu n'es pas exactement vrai

In the city of my dreams

You live by my side

With a touch, you awake

And start to kiss me

You read all my thoughts

When you look into my eyes

It's the world that I've invented

You're just a dream that I have rented

And so here goes

Up to me to break it to you

Eh bah c'est ca And so here goes

No need to persist

My love, our adventures

Se passeront jamais Will never be

Because you don't really exist

No, you don't really exist

Poses-moi une ou deux guestions Je te réponds oui c'est promis Mais qu'est-ce que nous faisons

> Il n y a pas de nous, j'suis seule dans le lit Je me parle à moi-même

> > Tous les jours et toutes les nuits

Tu es ma petite compagnie Je t'emmènerai à l'infini

Eh bah c'est ca

À moi de te le dire

Eh bah c'est ca

Il n y a a rien à lire

Mon bel amour, nos séjours

Se passeront jamais

Car ce n'est pas la réalité

Car tu n'es pas exactement vrai

Non, tu n'es pas exactement vrai

Ask me a question and I promise I will answer

What are we doing?

There's no "we", it's just me

I'm talking to myself

In my mind we are two dancers

You're my little company

My personal infinity

And so here goes

Up to me to break it to you

And so here goes

No need to persist

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String Arrangement Rima Fand Violin Isabel Oliart Guitar Francesca Blanchard Cello McKinley James

EMPTY HOUSE

Empty house	Maison vide
You remind me of when I was ten years old	Je me souviens quand j'avais dix ans
Staring at your walls, feeling mighty old	Fixant tes murs du regard, me sentant vraiment vieille
Promising myself I'd never get too bold	Me promettant de ne jamais devenir pareille
Empty house	Maison vide
Your silence holds secrets I can't keep	Tes silences ont des secrets que je ne peux garder
And the bird in her cage never falls asleep	Et l'oiseau dans sa cage ne s'endort jamais
She wails into the night and fails to give me sleep	Il gémit dans la nuit et m'empêche de dormir
But in my hand	Mais dans ma main
I hold the picture of a man	Je tiens la photo d'un homme
Who once loved me long ago	Qui m'a aimé autrefois, il y a longtemps
When he told me	Quand il m'a dit
"What you need to understand is	"Ce que tu dois comprendre c'est que
You'll never be alone	Tu ne seras jamais seule
No matter place, no matter time	Quelque soit l'endroit, le moment
Whatever space, right down the line	Quoique soit l'espace, en avançant
You will find	Tu trouveras
Another face, new love to shine	Un autre visage, un changement de rythme
A change of pace, a brand new rhyme	Un nouveau passage, de nouvelles rimes
You won't be on your own"	T
	Tu ne seras pas seule"

Empty heart Cœur vide
Your memories are following me to bed Tes souvenirs me suivent dans la nuit

Bass Rob Morse

Guitar Chris Velan Drums Caleb Bronze

They've crawled into my pillow Ils grimpent sous mon oreiller Now they're stuck inside my head Et s'enfoncent dans mon esprit I've tried so hard to leave them J'essaye de les quitter But they've re-emerged instead Mais ils m'ont poursuivit This house she could inspire Cette maison peut inspirer This house she could revive Cette maison peut réanimer I'm stuck here with desire C'est que moi et mon désir But at least I'm still alive Mais au moins, j'suis toujours en vie I don't know what I'm chasing J'sais pas après quoi j'cours My breath is running out J'suis tellement essoufflée My mind she is racing Mon esprit fait la course With you in her no doubt (Avec toi dans ses pensées) But in my hand Mais dans ma main I hold the picture of a man Je tiens la photo d'un homme Who once loved me long ago Qui m'a aimé autrefois, il y a longtemps When he told me Quand il m'a dit "What you need to understand is "Ce que tu dois comprendre c'est que You'll never be alone Tu ne seras jamais seule Quelque soit l'endroit, le moment No matter place, no matter time Whatever space, right down the line Quoique soit l'espace, en avançant You will find Tu trouveras Another face, new love to shine Un autre visage, un changement de rythme A change of pace, a brand new rhyme Un nouveau passage, de nouvelles rimes

You won't be on your own" Tu ne seras pas seule"

PAPA PÈRE

Je te vois de ma fenêtre

I see you from my window

Je te vois tous les matins

I see you every morning

Et je dois être honnête

And to be honest

Tu me prends tout doucement par la main

You take me very gently by the hand

Hier soir quand je pleurais

Last night when I was crying

La veille de mon anniversaire

On the eve of my birthday

J'ai regardé au beau ciel

I looked up at the sky

Et j'ai dit ton nom "Papa...Père" And I said your name "Papa...Father"

"Où es-tu?"

Where are you?"

C'est là où j'ai vu

And that's when I saw you

Ton étoile, lancée de travers

Your star, dancing across the sky

Danser à l'horizon de l'atmosphère

Flying over the atmosphere's horizon

Et comme ça, tu m'as entendu

And just like that, you heard me

Et puis tu es venu...Papa

And you came to me...Papa

C'est pas toujours aussi facile qu'on espère

Things aren't always as easy as we'd like Et puis la vie à pleins d'surprises, en effet Then again, life is full of surprises, isn't it?

Mais j'te pardonne et j'te donne tout mon amour

But I forgive you and I give you all my love

C'est notre secret partagé

It's the secret that we share

"Où es-tu?" "Where are you?"

C'est là où j'ai vu

And that's when I saw you

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Your star, dancing across the sky

Danser à l'horizon de l'atmosphère Flying above the atmosphere's horizon

Backing Vocal Chris Velan **Buitar Francesca Blanchard**

Et comme ça, tu m'as entendu

And just like that, you heard me

Et puis tu es venu...Papa

And you came to me...Papa

Tu est monté en haut de la montagne

You climbed to the mountaintop

De Paris à Bretagne

From Paris to Brittany

Tu suis les grains de blé

You followed the grains of wheat

Tu m'as suivi de l'Ecosse à Boston

You followed me from Scotland to Boston

Et ton amour résonne

Your love was constant

Je t'aime et toi aussi

I love you and you love me

Tu es venu de Paris à mon cœur

You came from Paris to my heart

Ton petit cœur de beurre

You're little sweetheart

Tu es arrivé

You've come for me

"Où es-tu?"

Where are you?"

C'est là où j'ai vu

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PAS D'SA FAUTE

C'est pas d'sa faute si elle a le cafard Si elle aime se promener dans le noir Elle regarde au plafond avec un air profond Allongé a côté d'elle, un étranger

It's not her fault if she's afraid Yet still likes to walk in the dark She stares at the ceiling gazing deeply Lying next to her, a stranger Un garcon A boy

Eh bah c'est la vie. c'est elle qui choisit Déguisée en belle robe de nuit C'est obligé, faut qu'elle l'a mette Et son rouge a lèvre qui fait rêver

Well that's her life, she chose it Dressed up in a pretty nightgown She has to wear it, grin and bear it Her nice red lipstick too

C'est bien la vie d'une fille Qui habite dans la banlieue de Paris C'est bien la vie d'une fille qui n'a Rien à dire

That's the life of a girl Who lives on the outskirts of Paris That's the life of a girl who has Little to say

Ooooh, c'est pas d'sa faute Ooooh, c'est pas d'sa faute

Oh, oh, it's not her fault Oh, oh, it's not her fault

Tous les dimanches elle sort en croyance Pose son fils chez la voisine et se lance Partout elle marche, rien ne la cache

Every Sunday she goes out believing Drops her son off at the neighbors' and lets go She walks everywhere and nothing hides her Mais son coeur à l'intérieur veut qu'elle sache But her heart inside wants her to know

> "C'est ça la vie" il lui dit "Is this the life," he asks "Que tu voulais tant que petite fille?" "That you wanted as a little girl?"

Bass Rob Morse Organ Tom Cleary Alto Sax Bryan McNamara Guitar Chris Velan Drums Caleb Bronze

Piano Sasha Torrens-Sperry

Trombone Andrew Moroz

Saritone Sax Luke Laplant

"C'est difficile, imbécile, de changer "It's difficult, you fool, to change Lorsque i'v suis" Once vou've known the world" Oh, oh c'est pas d'sa faute Oh. oh. it's not her fault Ooooh c'est pas d'sa faute Oh. oh. it's not her fault Tard le soir elle s'embarque au bar Late at night, she stops by the bar Pour regarder la télé et s'asseoir To watch TV and sit for a while Aprés six clients, elle conte son argent After six passes, she counts her money so far Bien sûr elle garde tout pour son enfant 'Course she saves it for the child "C'est pas trop tard" (lui dit le soir) "It's not too late," says the night "De changer et chercher autre par" "To change and look elsewhere" "T'as pas compris" (elle lui dit) "You don't understand," she responds "Bizarrement "Strangely enough... J'en ai envie" I want this" Ooooh c'est pas d'sa faute Oh, oh, it's not her fault

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THE SEA (ZACH'S SONG)

I am floating in your ocean I am floating in your sea I am floating on the bottom

Moi je nage dans ton océan Moi je nage dans ta mer Moi je nage tout au fond You are floating with me Toi tu nages en plein air

Silence on the shore Keeps you wanting more As the waves crash at your feet

Silence sur la côte Que toi et tes pensées Et les vagues viennent à tes pieds You are the man for me Tu es mon homme, mon aimé

Open your eyes to me Open your heart to the sea Open your eyes to me

Ouvres tes yeux sur moi Ouvres ton cœur et bois Ouvres tes yeux sur moi Open your heart to me Ouvres ton coeur...pour moi





DEUX VISIONS - ABOUT THE SONGS

1. Rame

The title means "Row" in English. I wrote this song during my junior year of college, when everything seemed to be falling apart. It is about endurance, about rowing through the tough time and trusting that I'll eventually hit shore if I keep going. At the time, I had no idea who I was, why I was here...I was lost. This song is an anthem of hope for when I thought there was none.

It has a steady, constant beat, I call it my Neil Young song. As with all of my French songs, I invite American listeners to allow themselves to get lost in the song, in the melody and feel. The words will make sense if you listen, but they are not crucial to "understanding the song". You will understand if you allow yourself to hear the music and ignore the fact that you don't speak the language. It's the music I invite you to hear.

2. Save A Different Way

This song is about a girl who describes all the different ways in which she can escape to safety when starting a relationship (by running away on the roads or getting soaked by the rain, etc.). When I was younger, I used to often feel trapped when I started dating a boy or when someone else's happiness depended on me. But in the chorus, she talks about how a certain someone saves her in a different way, how she doesn't feel the need to escape when with him. It's about opening up to another person, accepting and surrendering. It's about trusting.

The rhythm is semi folk. I didn't draw from any particular styles, none that I know of in any case. I was playing around with different rhythms and trying not to stay stuck on the finger picking. The organ gives it a warm, rich sound, almost a gospel flavor.

This song was on my original EP. I wanted to bring it back because it had more juice to give, more potential. And because it was one of the first songs I'd written, I felt it needed to be on the album. It is a much more upbeat version than the one on the EP. Chris and I spun it 180° and reinvented it a little. While the version on my EP is soft and moving, this one is more rocking and upbeat. A symbol of how I've grown since the recording of my EP back in 2011.

3. Le Blues

This song reflects on my multi-cultural, multi-colorful family and where I stand amongst it all. With a French father, American mother, and two adopted siblings, I sometimes struggled as a child to find my place...the non-adopted one, the French and American one, the white one. What is my color? Where do I fit? I think, due to my family's makeup, each of us (my siblings and I) have had to face these questions at one point or another, some more than others. It's all represented through the metaphor of color, what hues each family member sees and leans toward.

"Maman dit faut voir la vie en rose. Papa ne mélange pas le blanc et rouge / My mother tells me
To "see life in pink". My father won't mix red with white." refers to my parents' often opposing points of views on things, their personal takes on how I should see life/BE in it..."J'suis une fille qui rarement s'oppose. Perso j'prefere les tons du blues/ I'm a girl who rarely keeps in sync. But shades of blue are what give me delight" is about how, despite my hesitancy to speak up or oppose myself in any given situation, I've chosen the color blue, have found my own personal point of view. I go on to describe my siblings' personalities and color palettes (sticking to the color theme) and how, in the end, we're all part of one big rainbow anyway, and despite opposing views, personalities, colors... we are family.

The song is also about my tendency to relate more towards the melancholic side of things, the "blues". Growing up as a child on my family's beautiful provincial property, I'd often have alone time and sit in my secret hideout (the rock with the tree, overlooking the sea) and dwell on what made life so beautiful yet tragic. As a little girl with a lot of feelings, this is what my heart and mind would come up with when staring out onto the horizon: How beautifully sad it all is, how tragically fleeting and deceivingly peaceful. Everything will eventually change but that water will still be there, this rock and this tree...I think, from a very young age, I've always had "the blues". It's almost a part of my hereditary makeup, it's a feeling I was born with. And it's beautiful.

This is the first fingerpicking song on the album, a style I adopted from countlessly playing "Blackbird" by the Beatles. It fits within a country-folk/Americana realm, almost slightly bossa nova.

I remember sitting in my living room at the time, thinking of lyrics and of the song's overall theme. My mother is an avid lover of colors, each wall in our house is painted in a different bright, bold something. Not one wall is like the other. Looking back, I definitely drew my inspiration from those walls.

4. Home Is A Cage

I wrote this my junior year of college, when I was playing an 80-year old Polish immigrant in Leah McLoughlin's play Tongue of A Bird. Our director at the time had instructed us to come to our first rehearsal with a tangible product representing our character's point of view on home. My character, Zofia, had lost her daughter to suicide years ago and had been struggling to find reason ever since. She lived in an old cabin in the woods and would sit in the same chair in her empty living room. staring out the window, waiting for her daughter to return. The play is a cast of women, each character in search of their place in the world; in search of a home. It tackles the guestion What is home? Is it a place? Is it the people you love? This song has since become a little ode to my theatre training, my personal bridge in storytelling both through theatre and through music.

This is a folk ballade, a melancholic lullaby. It is in 6/8, so lends itself to a different kind of swing, compared to the previous three songs on the album.

5. Mon Ange

This song title means "My Angel" and it was written my freshman year of college, on a rainy afternoon in my tiny little dorm room, with one little window overlooking our red stone Brookline courtyard. It was a very lonely point in my life, I didn't want be in school, I didn't know why I had chosen to study theatre, I didn't have many friends, I was in love with a boy from high school who had quickly and easily moved on.

The song is about laughing in times when nothing in life is particularly funny, forcing one's self to smile despite the odds. It's about hope. My Angel is the light at the end of the tunnel, the promise of a soon-to-be real, genuine smile.

"Mon Ange" was originally on my 6-Track EP but holds such a profound and important place in my musical life

that it had to be on the album. Similarly to "Save A Different Way", Chris and I dissected it a little more, added more intricate layers and created a fuller, more whole sound. This song is my personal favorite on the album.

6. Wanderer

This song is about a wanderer (me), searching through life for a home. This is the catalyst song for all my years of having to adjust to different cultures and surroundings, of suffering depression through college, of searching for love...It is the little bohemian ode to my wandering soul, my overly sensitive and melancholic self. It is dramatic, but I'm an actress

It's another 6/8 song, a bit of a waltz. It swings and swirls, yet stays to the steady stomping of the beat. This song has followed me through the last four years and can fit any scenario in my life. It is the truest representation of ME in a song.

7. Now That You Are Gone

This is my Romeo & Juliet song . It is about the first person I'd fallen in love with. I had secretly held a crush for four years in high school and we finally, towards the end of our senior year, came together. Our fling was symbiotic to the coming of spring, the end of high school...to new beginnings, independence, new chapters. While those last two months of school were filled with excitement and a yearning to GO, I had finally gotten all I'd secretly wanted and change was the last thing I needed. Summer came and went, and before I knew it I was in college in Boston, far enough from what I knew. far from him, all the while knowing he didn't take a second look back...he was ready and excited for college. To him, I was just a temporary summer fling and for me, he was the man I dreamt of marrying. This song is about heartbreak, and about how, despite others I will eventually love down the line, I will never love someone the way I loved him.

There's something so pure, innocent, and tragically naive about a first love. That feeling is never translated to another human being, but stays in the heartbreak archives. It is there to remind us of how we've loved, and hopefully learned.

8. Tu N'existes Pas

This song is about a non-existent lover, the title translates as "You Don't Exist." I've been having an affair with an imaginary person, and I'm coming to terms with the fact that I have to tell them they don't exist. It's partly a parody on my profoundly romantic tendencies and my need to always be in (some kind of) love.

I remember writing this song. It was summer of 2012. I was sitting out on the grass by the waterfront in Burlington. All around me were happy couples cuddling, sharing a picnic, enjoying the sun...and I began to think about how, instead of yearning for that person I don't have, instead of believing I'd be happier if only I had someone in my life, what if I lived as if I had my own little lover, a personal, imaginary companion. And then I started thinking about how this little imaginary boyfriend would start to believe he was real, and about how I'd have to then break the spell and tell him the truth: he only lives in my head.

9. Empty House

This song is about taking the time to notice how full my life has been. It is about the people along the way who have marked me and guided me, about hope in the hard, hectic times. I was inspired to write the song when I spent two weeks alone house sitting for our house. The family was in the process of moving to New Delhi, India, so our house was vacant and empty. Furniture was sparse...I could hear my voice echoing in each new room I walked into. I was also in charge of our pet cockatiel that would chirp endlessly through the night. It was very much an in-between place for both my family and myself. By the second week, I felt like I was going crazy. I had no one to talk to, no chair to sit in, yet all this space...so I filled it with music.

10. Papa...Père

"Papa...Father" is an ode to three different fathers; mine, my cousin's (my uncle) and my friend's. It was written one night after talking to my friend who had lost her father from heart failure when she was two. Her whole life, she'd grown up without a father. She told me the story of when she was 14. It was the eve of her birthday and she was lying out on the grass, staring up at the sky, crying out to her father "where are you, dad?" And right then, she saw a shooting star. To her, that moment told

meant her father was watching over and despite how she'd never known him the way she'd wished, he was with her. Her story reminded of my uncle's passing in 2006, my cousin and best friend's father. The shock was so huge for her. I remember witnessing the aftermath, how much she'd changed and grown after the fact. This all made me so grateful to have my father alive and well, and thankful for the beautiful relationship we share. We've had our difficulties, like all families do, but this song is about finding the beauty in the hardships and finding the strength to forgive and move forward.

11. Pas D'sa Faute

This song tells the story of a working class prostitute living in the outskirts of Paris and how, despite the hardships of the job, she wouldn't change a thing. It is light. It's a tease. It's fun and not meant to be taken too seriously:) The title means, "Its not her fault."

12. The Sea (Zach's Song)

This song is about yearning for something that is moving away from you. More specifically, I yearn for a man to love and want me, while he yearns for change as he stares off into the ocean. I remember performing this during a concert sometime back in 2013, and locking eyes with my very good friend Zach's mother. Zach had drowned the previous winter in a tragic accident. The lyrics are so close to home and strangely relevant to Zach's story, that when we made eye contact, we both knew it was for him. In that instant, Zach was with us. The song was written before this moment was shared, but it was as if it was predestined to be Zach's Song. I will never forget that feeling of looking into his mother's eyes and knowing.

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