

Riuscirà la nostra voce

(Will our voice be able)

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1987. Fourth prize at the 4th edition of “Premio Letterario Nazionale Montesacro”.

1999. It was published in the collection of poems “Bambole mute” (Dumb Dolls) (Edzioni Libreria Croce, Roma) and presented by professor Gennaro Savarese, the writer Dante Maffia and the literary critic Giorgio Linguaglossa.

2004. “Bambole mute” was included in the group of finalists of the 14th edition of the “Premio Letterario Camaioire-Sezione Proposta”.

Some articles have been published about it and a part of an instalment of the radio programme “Due di notte” has been dedicated to it.

The poem “Riuscirà la nostra voce” was published in the web site edited by the two artists Nadia Magnabosco and Marilde Magni who have gathered poems about peace written by poets of various nationalities and periods as Ada Negri, Dacia Maraini and Emily Dickinson.

It was published in “Infodonna”, as enclosure of the newspaper *Corriere dell’Umbria*.

Now it is published in a lot of websites.

(English translation)

Will our voice be able
to smother the echoes of far away torments?
Will our smiles be able
to mirror in other smiles
and our life to rejoice at a new life?
No, they will not.
Until the blood will be the sap
of flowers and the steel birds will be
the inhabitants of the sky.
Until the summer nights
will continue to hear the merciless song
of the shots,
when the light of the flames
will be the only one
to shine upon our steps.