

*Nena de Vita*



*A Being That Loves...*

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*For a being  
that loves  
even eternity  
is too short.*

*A being that loves  
wants no other truth  
than that  
of the heart.*





*A being that loves  
knows  
that even the last grain  
of desert sand  
dreams not of rain  
but of love...*

*For a being that loves,  
the sweetest melody  
in the world  
is the voice  
of the being it loves.*





*A being that loves  
is in a state  
of perpetual  
mesmerizing dance,  
and its steps  
are always new,  
a surprise  
even for itself.*

*A being that loves  
never repeats itself,  
knowing  
that each moment  
carries  
a unique beauty.*





*A being that loves  
always has something  
to say  
to the being it loves.*



*The art  
of a being that loves  
is full of wonders  
for in it glows  
the deepest secret,  
and nothing is more  
attractive  
than a secret.*





*A being that loves  
is the richest  
being in the world...*

*... but a being that loves  
does not own anything,  
because  
it gives everything  
to the being it loves.*





*A being that loves  
has a family  
both on Earth  
and in Heaven...*

*... and all the angels  
are always  
at its service.*





*A being that loves  
cares for itself  
as the most precious  
treasure  
of the being it loves.*

*A being that is loved  
brings the keys of  
meaning  
to a being that loves...*





*A being that loves knows  
that even the worst offense  
is a desperate cry  
of the need for love.*



*A being that loves  
knows  
that Eternity  
already is.*





**Nena de Vita** (born Nevena Vitošević, Beograd, 1967), graduate in world literature, is about to defend her M.A. thesis at the Department for Theatrical Studies. She published collections of poetry: “Sacrificial Altar” (1982), “A Prayer for a Man Walking along the Railroad” (1991 - First Award for young poets of XX Ratkovic Evenings of Poetry), “I Caress You with White Wings” (1998), and a book of verse - reflections on love “A Being that Loves...”(1998). “The Park”, a drama, won her the Isak Samokovlija Award (1986); she is the holder of an Essay Award for 1996 at the Lim Evenings of Poetry. She is the author of the film anthology “Shepherd Searches for the Bottom of the Sky” (series of 100 documentary films) about one hundred most prominent ethno-artists of Serbia, Montenegro and the Republic of Srpska, started in the year of 2000.

She had seven exhibitions of her paintings, the last four being painting exhibitions for children. Painting for children, where a painting independent of any text or coming before any text exists, is a new venture in visual arts. Her exhibition at the Princess Ljubica Palace (1993) was the first ever for children of Serbia and Montenegro, and has led to the publication of this Book of Magic (published for the first time in 1994). She also published books for children “Dr. Joy in the Land of Fantasy” (1995) and the “Elementary Reader Cirilko” (1996).

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“If you were perfect, or I was perfect, how perfect could our love be? And while I believed that you are, in fact I did not love you, that is, I did not know how to love.

From the moment I realized that you were delicate, fragile and weak, from that moment marvelous joy began, joy out of nowhere, a Poem self-unfolding.”