

## ***The Crossing (Osiyeza)***

### **Soprane + Alti**

Through all the days that eat away  
At every breath that I take  
Through all the nights I have lain alone  
In someone else's dream, awake  
All the words in truth that were spoken  
That the wind has blown away

### **TUTTI**

Oh, it's only you that remains with me  
Clear as the light of day

### **Refrain.....**

O siyeza, o siyeza, Sizofika webaba noma  
O siyeza, o siyeza, Siyagudla lomhlaba  
Siyawela lapheshaya  
Lulezontaba ezimnyama  
Lapha sobheka phansi  
Konke ukhulupheka

### **TENOR**

A punch-drunk man in a downtown bar  
Takes a beating without making a sound (S : Hou-hou)  
Through swollen eyes, he sways and he smiles  
'Cause no one can put him down (A : hou-hou)  
Inside of him a boy looks up to his father (A : make my crossing 2X)  
For a sign or an approv'in' eye (A : ha- ha )

### **Tenor + alti**

Oh, it's funny how those once so close and now gone  
Still so affect our lives

### **Refrain .....**

**Soprane +Alti :** ha ha ha ha-ha ha-ha (bis)

Take me now, Don't let go, Hold me close (S +A) I'm comin' home

### **Refrain.....**

O siyeza (oh, I'm comin'), o siyeza (I'll be comin')  
Sizofika webaba noma (you know the tide is turnin')  
O siyeza, o siyeza (I'm tellin' you, the tide is turnin')  
Siyagudle lomhlaba (gonna make this crossin')  
Siyawela lapheshaya (over this dark land)  
Lulezontaba ezimnyama (gonna touch your face)  
Lapha sobheka phansi (gonna lay me down)  
Konke ukhulupheka (in your grace)

**(BIS)**

