

SCENE 10

(THE MUSEUM GARDEN)

(Several classic statues adorn the grounds. SANDRA dusts them. ED enters)

ED

Miss Sandra -

SANDRA

I'm here in the statue garden. Can I help you?

ED

The name is Ed, and it's my duty as a sidekick to give you this, so here - it's from the guitar-playin' roustabout. Now I know you're not interested in him so I'll just be on my way and -

(SANDRA holds back a sob)

Are you okay, ma'am?

SANDRA

Yes. No.

ED

It's just a poem -

SANDRA

I'm sorry, it's just, well, the sonnets always stir something in me. And since I came to this town, I've been so isolated. The men have been brutish and - I'm sorry, I'm fine, truly -

(Holds back a sob)

ED

Hey ma'am, you know what you should do - close your eyes.

SANDRA

What?

ED

Yeah, close your eyes and imagine yourself happy. C'mon. Now tell me, what do you see?

SANDRA

Well, I'm with a man, a man who has poetry in his soul.