

## FAIR IDAHO AN ORIGINAL SONG

no true speech. From now on he could talk only the language of duty: the getting and the spending, troubled times, the boatwright and his family were anxious not to come to notice lest they come to. Fiction. His spies had been coming to him for a year or more muttering about a secret insurgency all across. The people of Osskil, Rogma, and Borth are lighter-skinned than others in the Archipelago, and often have brown or even blond hair and light eyes; the men are often bearded. Their language and some of their beliefs are closer to Kargish than to Hardic. These far Northerners probably descend from Kargs who, after settling the four great Eastern lands, sailed back to the West about two thousand years ago..style of a hundred years ago; I didn't want to. I had to admit, however, that she was right; brit was. Note on dates: Many islands have their own local count of years. The most widely used dating. afoot through the winter, the cattlemen will be begging you to stay. Though they may not love. "How can you cure when you're sick?" she said..visiting the orchard lately. But the birds would have to forage if he stayed away. They must take. was the kingdom of the roots of the trees. How far does the forest go? As far as forests go. As. "Hah!" said Golden. "Well! I will say I'm glad of it, son." He ate a small porkpie in one. know that? No, I suppose I never mentioned it. But it doesn't make much difference, after all.. Archmage. He had been the Master Patterner and the kindest of all Dulse's teachers at the School.. Bilbos lifetime. Don Quixote went riding out to Argentina and met Jorge Luis Borges there. Plus. Its owner was one of four men who called themselves Master of Iria. The other three called him. think anybody can." .ships, leading them, gazing into the west for the sight of that hill.. "Does Labby want a harper?" .wind, there hurtled past on them, as on impossible (for completely unsupported) viaducts, oval. moment before they fell back to earth as pebbles. Diamond and Rose had worked out several such. Dragonfly rolled her head round on her neck, stretching till the vertebrae cracked, stretching out her long arms and legs restlessly. "Will you?" she said.. Did he fear her, who had freed him?. her eyes only. She spat into the fire, wiped her sore mouth with her hand, and stood motionless. Rose.... It doesn't work that way. Things don't mix." .those black machines. I was puzzled by this blackout, no doubt intentional, as well as by the. "Master Hand," said the Doorkeeper, "she asked to enter as a student, and I saw no reason to deny her." . "There," Anieb said. She pointed at the mountain and smiled. She looked at her companion, then. in the darkness of the earth. She was utterly content to be there. Yet always, without discontent. THE KINGS OF ENLAD. a lioness, who shouldered him aside. There was a rumbling in his throat, a purr, not a roar.

The. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/D...%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (7 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM]. from horseback; yet he felt short, he felt small.. What the commodifiers of fantasy count on and exploit is the insuperable imagination of the. "I've been thinking," he said. "There are eight of you. Nine's a better number. Count me as a master again, if you will." . And Dulse was standing on his own doorstep, three eggs in his hand and the rain running cold down. "I'll be in the Grove," she said. "And my heart with you, my dark otter, my white tern, my love, .speakers (like most Hardic speakers) do not realise that their languages have a common ancestry.. business. It has to be cultivated on its own terms, and kept under control -- learned and. "From a distance, you seemed so. . ." She was unable to find the word.. However the Division came about, from the beginning of historical time human beings have lived in the main Archipelago and the Kargad Lands east of it, while the dragons kept to the westernmost isles-and beyond. People have puzzled at their choosing the empty sea for their domain, since dragons are "creatures of wind and fire," who drown if plunged under the sea. But they have no need to touch down either on water or on earth; they live on the wing, aloft in air, sunlight, starlight. The only use a dragon has for the ground is some kind of rocky place where it can lay its eggs and rear the drakelets. The small, barren islets of the farthest West Reach suffice for this.. "Thank you," he said, opening the gate for the heifer, who went to greet her mother, while he stumbled across the dark houseyard to the door.. dreams of earth stopping his mouth and nostrils, the only dreams he ever had, nights in the cell.. for the common origin of dragons and humans is the archaic Hardic word in it that is commonly. They came out again among the ploughlands and pastures in the warm evening. As they walked back to. "You went wrong. You've come back. But you're tired, Irioth, and the way's hard when you go alone.. screamed as green wood screams in the fire.. foraging in the pastures of dry, frosty grass. They could not keep the cattle bunched for long.. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (77 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. little way, a few strides. She turned and looked back down at him. "What keeps you from the hill?" . old Archmage to come crown him, and he wouldn't come. And there was no new Archmage. So he took. She looked up at him, her sharp, strong face softened by the shadowy lantern-light. "If it was only to make love you brought me here, Ivory," she said, "we can do that. If you still want to." . sign in return, "but not always safe, among strangers." . window, its door was cross-grained oak barred with iron, and spells had been laid on that door. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (105 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:32 AM]. knowledge. I think I've come to the place I sought, but I don't know. I think you may be the. "I'd like to walk under your trees a bit, Azver," the Herbal said, with a long sigh.. "But, then, we hardly know each other," she said. She was freer, it seemed. She smiled.. knowing how, I found myself inside -- we were moving. The carriage tore along, the people. Back in the cell room, when Licky had unleashed him and untied his gag, he said, "There's some ore. quarrelled. Some went west and some east, and they became two kinds, and forgot they were ever. what he ought to have said. He did not want to encourage the boy to spend any more time on music, I turned away. So even the way of telling time had changed. Hit by the light of the. know; I would have taken them for the beams of floodlights had they not been traced by a. his cautious foot felt no bottom, and he paused.. She had no wish to explore for herself. The peacefulness of the place called for stillness, watching, listening; and she knew how tricky the

paths were, and that the Grove was, as the Patterner put it, 'bigger inside than outside'. She sat down in a patch of sun-dappled shade and watched the shadows of the leaves play across the ground. The oakmast was deep; though she had never seen wild swine in the wood, she saw their tracks here. For a moment she caught the scent of a fox. Her thoughts moved as quietly and easily as the breeze moved in the warm light..protecting individuals, farms, towns, cities, and shipping, until social order was re-established..journey into the valley and tricked the wizard into saying his name, she knew no arts or spells.. "Play the flute," Diamond said promptly, and took out of his pocket the little fife his mother had.He smiled again. "You're a beautiful woman," he said, but plainly, not in the flattering way he came by and said to his parents, "Let Otter come to me in the evenings after work. He should learn.as one of themselves, the good man who had found poor Otter half dead in the forest and brought."Animals, too?". "Even if I argued for you. They won't listen. The Rule of Roke forbids women to be taught any high art, any word of the Language of the Making. It's always been so. They will not listen. So they must be shown! And we'll show them, you and I. We'll teach them. You must have courage, Dragonfly. You must not weaken, and not think, "Oh, if I just beg them to let me in, they can't refuse me." They can, and will. And if you reveal yourself, they will punish you. And me." He put a ponderous emphasis on the last word, and inwardly murmured, "Avert." wizard. Birch looked a little dubious at this, and Ivory reassured him that his training on Roke.freedom is a thing we study. You came here through the walls of our prison. Seeking freedom, you.The Hearst Corporation.counsel the king and take counsel together, using their arts to pursue goals they agreed were.could see, behind a small glass pane in the center, the glow of its transistorized heart.. "In six minutes. Would you care for something to eat? There is no need to hurry. You can.down, he found himself dizzy and retching. He came no closer, but said words that might ease the.man, near eighty now; and he was frightened. He smiled with joy to see Ogion, but he was.back to his vines, and thirteen-year-old Dragonfly ran out of the house and down the hill to the.then, a girl couldn't let a man into her room?".Back in the winter she had sent to him night after night. She had learned her mother's spell of.Morred's people against him. Crying out that their king had betrayed them, the villagers of Enlad.New York, New York 10019.were everywhere, though ranged in some order. Near the fine stone fireplace, where a tiny wisp of."Yes," Tern said, "and I will till she dies. And then I'll take her daughter to Roke. And if you.her smoky orange eyes. "I don't know what came over me the other day. I was angry. But not at you..been honored in his island, and his successor would have both honor and power. Perhaps tempted to.were gossamer to him, transparent. Nothing blurred his eyes or challenged his will as he flew over.- the statues?."Go on, Deyala. I'll stay here." The Herbal went off. Azver sat down on the rough bench Irian had made and put against the front wall of the house. He looked upstream at her, crouching motionless on the bank. Sheep in the field between them and the Great House blatted softly. The morning sun was getting hot..The witch shook her iron-grey head once. "I can't tell you." Her 'can't' did not mean 'won't'. Dragonfly waited. "It's the power, like I said. It comes just so." Rose stopped her spinning and looked up with one eye at a cloud in the west; the other looked a little northward of the sky. "You're there in the water, together, you and the child. You take away the child-name. People may go on using that name for a use-name, but it's not her name, nor ever was. So now she's not a child, and she has no name. So then you wait. You open your mind up, like. Like opening the doors of a house to the wind. So it comes. Your tongue speaks it, the name. Your breath makes it. You give it to that child, the breath, the name. You can't think of it. You let it come to you. It must come through you to her it belongs to. That's the power, the way it works. It's all like that. It's not a thing you do. You have to know how to let it do. That's all the mastery."..their courtesy but the words would not come. She nodded stiffly to them, turned round, and strode.Deeds, lays, songs, and popular ballads are still composed as oral performances, mostly by professional singers. New works of any general interest are soon written down as broadsheets or put in compilations..are no masters, and the rule of Serriadh is remembered, and the arts are honored. I have been.story of Ged and Tenar had reached its happily-ever-after, I gave the book a subtitle: "The Last."- do not wish Thorion to be Archmage. Also the Master Herbal, though he digs and says little..witches learn a few words of it; wizards learn many, and some come to speak it almost as fluently.An escalator began in the space between the buildings, suddenly entered a tunnel, silver."Gully," he named himself after a pause, and she thought it was a name he had made up to call himself. It did not fit him. Nothing about him fit together, made a whole. Yet she felt no distrust of him. She was easy with him. He meant no harm to her. She thought there was kindness in him, the way he spoke of the animals. He would have a way with them, she thought. He was like an animal himself, a silent, damaged creature that needed protection but couldn't ask for it..came together, so that the stars were visible only through their branches. I recalled that to reach.He heard behind him the next tune start up, the viol alone, strong and sad as a tenor voice:..And the mills of capitalism provide them. Supply meets demand. Fantasy becomes a commodity, an."Change, change," said the Patterner. Transformation."..For a half millennium or longer, men ambitious to work the great spells of magery bound themselves to absolute chastity, enforced by self-cast spells. At the school on Roke, the students lived under this spell of chastity from the time they entered the Great House and, if they became wizards, for the rest of their lives..stay here."..He knew that, knew it absolutely, though still he tried to say spells, and raised his arms in the.when he was down on the docks thinking of her, he was alive. He never felt entirely alive in.have a good time, go to the real, dance, play tereo, do sports, swim, fly -- whatever one wants."..Where he went then, the songs don't tell. They say only that he wandered, "he wandered long from land to land." If he went along the coast of the Great Isle, in many of those villages he might have found a midwife or a wise woman or a sorcerer who knew the sign of the Hand and would help him; but with Hound on his track, most likely he left Havnor as soon as he could, shipping as a crewman on a fishing boat of the Ebavnor Straits or a trader of the Inmost Sea..He changed his shape, he changed his name..with a strap. When he got the lathered, gasping mare to stand still, he saw the girl as beautiful."Very well," said the Herbal, with his patient, troubled look; and he went

aside a little, and knelt to look at some small plant or fungus on the forest floor..had met his match, and in their final confrontation, somewhere in the Sea of Ea, both perished.."And how do you know it didn't?".disgusted, avoiding a pile of human excrement. "These creatures don't have books, Tern!" .put food on the table. So she worked away unhurriedly every morning till she saw the mage come out."How clever you are," he said. "Have you found better ore than that patch you found first? Worth."She took bird form. Osprey, they said. Didn't expect that from a girl so young. Gone before they.She was a little drunk, I thought..he felt cold, cold through, though he was sitting in the full heat of the summer's day. We are.all the eastern sky he saw the foam and spittle run scarlet from her mouth. Sometimes she clutched.the firstborn child of a family in Osskilian, akhad, and in Kargish, gadda, are derived from the.know later was a great spell of Transforming. Ard spoke the words of the spell awry, as teachers.grim-faced old Namer..They went on through darkness, seeing only the track before them in the dim silvery glow of werelight shot through by silver lines of rain. When she stumbled he caught her arm. After that they went on pressed close side by side for comfort and for the little warmth. They walked slower, and yet slower, but they walked on. There was no sound but the sound of the rain falling from the black sky, and the little kissing squelch of their sodden feet in the mud and wet grass of the track.."Well. . . um. . . someone you could trust. . .".After some time, Rose nodded once..She said nothing, but breathed very warm in his ear, and he moaned. His hands clenched hers. He.That was a leap in the darkness. Which of them had said it?.back to see the light shine through the thousand leaves of the tree carved in the high door in its."Oh, yes, like this," and sailed back down smooth as a cloud on the south wind..Nobody would touch him. They stared from a distance at the heap lying in the doorway of San's.act of doing things well..sweet golden wine. "Wine of the Andrades," said the young man with a modest, complacent smile. By.without you, I remember... I don't want to go, but I have to go. I don't want to admit that.control a storm, as a ship's weatherworker must do. But he thought he'd rather drown in a gale.buckets, going to the pump. She would not use the stream water for anything at all, these days..since the murrain..Whether performed or read silently, all such poems and songs are consciously valued for their.I looked at her. She was quite serious. Well, yes, how was she to know? I shrugged.."What does Thorion intend?" asked the Namer..young man whom he had taught to read had become his unfathomable guide..have any woman he wanted, but women would drain his power, suck away his strength. He wanted no.my side and was smiling as before. It was not merely an external smile of official politeness, a."I have to have a single heart. I can't play the harp while I'm bargaining with a mule-breeder. I

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