

## Talent and Medicine

The medical profession is not different from other workforce sharing with them all common interests, hobbies and talents. The majority of these activities are unrelated to medicine. Many are musicians, performers, artists, writers, critics, astronomers, photographers, etc not to mention their excellence in the world of sports. On the other hand there are also instances when the practice of these activities take the form of applied interpretation of what they know in human pathobiology and the concerned function. Thus some may be historians of clinical practice, clinical pharmacologists of locally used herbs, or clinical therapists of locally practiced folk medicine.

This section of the Bahrain Medical Bulletin will be devoted to "Talents in the Medical Profession" to show and exchange with others common interests and applied experience. Contributors are therefore welcomed to submit their presentation. This issue contains two pieces of poems demonstrating a unique talent; one is a reflection of music while the other is about the birds flying high.

The Chief Editor

### Music, O Music

*Music, O Music, you touch and stir my soul,  
Uplift my consciousness, and make me whole,  
It makes us forget ourselves,  
Ego just evaporates, oneness alone prevails.*

*Music, O Music, O language of the soul !  
Flowing from one to another soul,  
It links all the souls,  
'Oneness of all', that shows.*

*Music, O Music, a gift from the Master Creator  
Who put music in the running brooks,  
In soft breeze, sea waves, rain and thunderstorm,  
So the happy Daffodils could sway and dance.*

*Music, O Music, so natural to man,  
In the cry of the zesty newborn,  
In the sweet chatter of a pretty infant  
Seed of music, is forever implant.*

*Music, O Music, the element of prayer;  
And the heart of a love song,  
Music pervades just everything,  
Close to the heart of man !*

*Music, O Music, from ears straight to heart,  
It makes one sway in joy,  
Tap, swing, swirl, jump or dance,  
In such gay abundance, as if in a trance.*

*Music, O Music, of flute and of drums,  
Of Sitar, guitar, violin or other instruments,  
Harmonious sounds do make pleasant music,  
Haunting melodies, weave their magic.*

*Music, O music, beamed from my FM stereo,  
One after another lovely song,  
That keeps me happy all along,  
God bless the DJ and may he live long !  
Music, O Music, God bless those who make,  
Happy, lively and soul-stirring music,  
Beethoven, Ravi Shankar or Yehudi Menuhin,  
Jackson, Yanni, others, Khalid or Springsteen.*

*Music, O Music, could there be life without you ?  
Impossible, unthinkable, its unimaginable too,  
Life began with music, is sustained by it too,  
Music is divine, the soul in me and you.*

*Music, O Music, life is ecstasy and picnic,  
With love of music, in it,  
The breath of life is music  
There 'can not' be life without it,*

*Music, O Music; O Music, O Music;  
O Music, O Music; O Music, O Music.*

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## **FLY HIGH**

*We see birds, flying high in the sky,  
Eagles or Seagulls, fly high then dive.  
Food on the ground is, in their eye,  
For food it is, they dive from high.*

*Some among them, though are of different make,  
They fly high, for fun, or for flying's sake.  
Food is not, the goal they keep,  
Flying to perfection, is what they seek.*

*Jonathan\*, a Seagull, was one such bird,  
Of a tender age and a short wing-spread.  
Flying was his soul and that he loved,  
Small of frame, Goliath in spirits instead.*

*Morn or Eve, when friends went hunting,  
For hours and hours, he kept on practising.  
Higher and higher, everyday he was flying,  
Heavenly bliss he found, as new skills he was trying.*

*Some men and women, are just like Jonathan,  
They love thier jobs and work to perfection.  
Hard work is fun; labour of love, satisfaction,  
For sure, they find, happiness in action !*

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\* Jonathan Livingston Seagull – a story. Richard Bach, Harper Collins, London 1972.