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# Échappé // Brittany Capps

She stands in the center of the wide-open stage,  
Just a girl in pink tights.

## *Changement.*

The heel of her right foot presses into the arch of  
her left  
Waiting for the piano to sing its song.  
She is the lyrics.

## *Degagé.*

Eyes closed, she tiptoes across the floor  
Unaware of the men in spectacles  
Scribbling ferociously on paper before her.

## *Relevé.*

The rhythm flows effortlessly from her bones to her  
fingertips,  
And she pirouettes until she floats away  
Like a feather in the wind.

## *Échappé.*