

What Can a Sonnet Do?

It weaves a tale with threads as light as air,

And shows us thoughts and moods in shades diverse

That tell of love, and joy, and yes, despair;

Feelings that fade in time, but not in verse.

It paints a scene with rich and vibrant bands
Of green perhaps, with flecks of blue and gold,
And shines a light on strange and distant lands
That gleam, then dim, but yet never grow old.

It carves a shape with blades as sharp as ice,
From stone that's cold and gray, then gives it life,
And lets it twirl and dance, through some device—
A dance that's free and wild and full of strife.

It states its case in short and simple rhyme,
And makes its point in words that are sublime!