## L'Aveu

Hortense de Beauharnais (1783-1837)





Hortense de Beauharnais (1783-1837) wrote 124 romances for voice and piano. Her most famous piece, *Partant pour la Syrie* became a national anthem under the Second Empire and was the subject for piano variations by Johann Hummel and Franz Schubert. She was briefly the Queen of Holland and later the Duchess of Saint-Leu.