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## Flash Choir Sings Philip Glass World Premiere, 'The New Rule'

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In honor of composer Philip Glass, [NPR Music](#) assembled a flash choir in Times Square to premiere his short choral work, *The New Rule*. The music starts at 2:10.

Here are the lyrics, so you can follow along.

There's an old rule that drunks have to argue  
and get into fights.

The lover is just as bad. He falls down a hole.  
But down in that hole he finds something shining,  
worth more than any amount of money or power.

Last night the moon came  
dropping its clothes in the street.  
I took it as a sign to start singing.  
Falling up into the bowl of sky.  
The bowl brakes. Everywhere is falling everywhere.  
Nothing else to do.

Here's the new rule: break the wineglass.  
And fall toward the glassblower's breath.

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