

STAR SONNET

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from *Three Nocturnes*

Largo espressivo ♩ = 52

S, A unis. ***mp***

In still-ness high a-bove the slum-b'ring shore, where wist-ful

T, B unis. ***p sotto voce***

O Star, _____ O Star, _____

4

waves of foam ca-ress the sand, a si-lent watch-man o'er the dark-ened

O Star, _____

7

land, a-drift ce-les-tial seas of twi-light _____ soars.

— O Star, _____ O Star.

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Poco meno mosso

pp scuro

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a - bove the shore,

In still - ness high a - bove the slum - b'ring shore,

pp scuro *mp*

In still - ness high a - bove the slum - b'ring shore, Where wist - ful

pp scuro

In still - ness high a - bove the slum - b'ring shore,

pp scuro

In still - ness high a - bove the slum - b'ring shore,

(rehearsal only)

15

p *pp*

a si - lent, dark - ened land,

p *pp* *p leggero*

waves of foam ca - res the sand, a si - lent watch - man o'er the dark - ened land. a -

p *pp*

a si - lent land,

p *pp*

a si - lent land,

19 *p* *leggero* *mp*

a - drift ce - les - tial seas of twi - light soars. She

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p *leggero* *mp*

a - drift ce - les - tial seas of twi - light soars.

p *leggero*

a - drift ce - les - tial seas of twi - light soars.

23 *Più mosso* ♩ = 60 *passionato* *p*

pass - es soft - ly in the heav - ens deep— her sil - ver

passionato *p*

pass - es soft - ly in the heav - ens deep— her sil - ver

mp *passionato* *p*

She pass - es soft - ly in the heav - ens deep— her sil - ver

mp *passionato* *p*

She pass - es soft - ly in the heav - ens deep— her sil - ver

26

con moto *mp* *f*

skin a - glow with ra - diant hue, her eyes en - chant - ing globes of

con moto *mp* *f*

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mp *con moto* *f*

skin a - glow, her eyes en - chant - ing globes of

con moto *mp* *f*

skin a - glow with ra - diant hue, her eyes en - chant - ing globes of

29

Meno mosso

mp *p trasparente*

glit - t'ring dew; through rays of moon - light rich with heav'n - ly sleep.

mp *p trasparente* *pp*

glit - t'ring dew; through rays of moon - light rich with heav'n - ly sleep. What

mp *p trasparente*

glit - t'ring dew; through rays of moon - light rich with heav'n - ly sleep.

mp *p trasparente*

glit - t'ring dew; through rays of moon - light rich with heav'n - ly sleep.

32 Grave $\text{♩} = 48$ *pp dolce* *mp*

What dreams have I — that she should give them flight, en -

dolce *mp*

dreams — have I that she should give them flight, en -

pp dolce *mp*

What dreams have I that she should give them flight,

pp dolce *mp*

What dreams have I that she should give them flight, —

35 *ppp* *pp* *mp* *Con moto passionato* $\text{♩} = 56$

liv - ened What, — (ah) —

pp *mp*

liv-ened in a mo - men - ta - ry flame: what fears of hope un-found-ed could she

pp *mp*

in a flame: what fears of hope un-found-ed could she

pp *mp*

what fears of hope un-found-ed could she

38 *Meno mosso*

mf *p* *pp*

could she tame To joy, could she tame To joy,

tame, could she tame To joy, could she tame To joy,

tame, could she tame joy, joy,

tame, joy, joy, a -

41 *Molto più mosso* ♩ = 72

mf

a - ris - ing toward the hov - 'ring height!

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ris - ing toward the hov - 'ring height!_____

43 *molto rit.* **Molto meno mosso** ♩ = 92 *p* *poco accel.*

O, — Beam-ing Star, il - lu - mine heav-en's floor Un -

mp *p* *poco accel.*

O, Beam-ing — Star, il - lu - mine heav-en's floor, O, Star, Un -

p *poco accel.*

O, Star, O, — Beam-ing Star, il - lu - mine heav-en's floor Un -

p *poco accel.*

O, Beam-ing Star, il - lu - mine heav-en's floor Un -

46 *più mosso* *poco accel.*

til the sun should bear its light once more. Un - til the sun should bear its light once

più mosso *poco accel.*

til the sun — once more. Un - til the sun should bear its light once

più mosso *poco accel.*

til the sun, — Un - til — the sun should bear its light once

più mosso *poco accel.*

til the sun, Un - til the sun should bear its light once

Brillante ♩ = 56

Tempo I° ♩ = 52

49 *ff* *mp* *molto rubato*

more. once more,

ff *p* *molto rubato*

more. once more, once more, once

ff *p* *molto rubato* *p*

more. once more, once more, once O,

ff *p* *molto rubato* *pp*

more. once more, once more, once more.

53 *p*

(hum)

p

(hum)

Star, O, Star,

In still-ness high a-bove the slumb-'ring shore, Where wist-ful

mp

p (hum)

56

mp

A si - lent watch-man o'er the dark - ened

O, Star,

waves of foam ca - ress the sand;—

(p)

(hum)

59

Meno mosso
leggero

pp

A - drift ce - les - tial seas of twi - light soars.

(p) leggero

land, A - drift ce - les - tial seas of twi - light soars.

pp

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pp

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