

Star Sonnet

from "Three Nocturnes"

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Largo espressivo (♩ = 52)

mp

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

p sotta 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.

Poco meno mosso

pp scuro 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,

p *pp*
a si - lent dark - ness land,

p *pp* *p leggero*
waves of foam ca-ress 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,

9 *p leggero* *mp*

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

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

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

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

13 **Più mosso** (♩ = 60) *appassionato* *p*

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

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

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

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

16

con moto mp ————— *f*

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

con moto mp ————— *f*

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

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

Meno mosso

19

mp p transparente

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

mp p transparente *pp*

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

mp p transparente

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

mp p transparente

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

Grave (♩ = 48)

22 *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;—

Con moto passionato (♩ = 56)

25 *ppp* *pp* *mp*

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

6

28

mf **Meno mosso**
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, a -

31

Molto più mosso (♩ = 72)

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

32 *mf*

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

ris - ing toward the hov - 'ring height!

hov - 'ring height!

33 *molto rit.* *p* **Molto meno mosso** (♩ = 92) *poco accel.*

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

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

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

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

36 *più mosso* *poco accel.*

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

più mosso *poco accel.*

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

più mosso *poco accel.*

8 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)

39 *ff* *mp molto rubato* **Tempo I** (♩ = 52)

more. once more, once more, once

ff *mp molto rubato*

more. once more, once more, once

ff *mp molto rubato* *p*

more. once more, once more, once O,

ff *mp molto rubato* *pp*

more. once more, once more, once more.

43

p (hum)

p (hum)

Star, O, Star,

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

p (hum)

46

mp

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

waves of foam ca - res the sand; O, Star,

p

Meno mosso

49

leggero *pp*

land *p* *leggero* *pp*

leggero *pp*

leggero *pp*

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

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Detailed description: This is a page of a musical score for four voices. The page is numbered '10' at the top left and '49' at the top left of the first staff. The tempo is 'Meno mosso'. The score consists of four staves, each with a vocal line and lyrics. The lyrics are: 'A-drift ce - les - tial seas of twi - light soars.' The music is in a key with two sharps (F# and C#). The first staff starts with a treble clef and a key signature of two sharps. The second staff starts with a treble clef and a key signature of two sharps. The third staff starts with a treble clef and a key signature of two sharps. The fourth staff starts with a bass clef and a key signature of two sharps. The score is divided into four measures by vertical bar lines. The first measure is in 3/4 time, the second in 3/4 time, the third in 4/4 time, and the fourth in 4/4 time. Dynamics include 'leggero', 'p' (piano), and 'pp' (pianissimo). There are also slurs and accents over the notes.