

Sure On This Shining Night

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Flowing, tempo rubato (♩ = ca. 72) *poco rit.* *a tempo*

Piano *p espressivo*

rit. *a tempo mp*

T Sure on this shin - ing

B *mp* Sure on this shin - ing

rit. *a tempo*

7 *poco rit.* *[d]*

night of star-made shad-ows round, kind-ness must watch for me this side the ground, on this

night of star-made shad-ows round, kind-ness must watch for me this side the ground, on this

poco rit.

*Omit if the low As are out of range.

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KEEP note volume equal

WILL TAKE A BIT OF TIME

10 a tempo

shin - - - ing night, this shin - - -

shin - - - ing night, this shin - - -

a tempo rit. a tempo

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

13 rit. a tempo rit.

ing [5] night. - - -

ing night. - - -

rit. a tempo rit.

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

16 B a tempo mp

Sure on this shin-ing night of star-made shad-ows round, kind-ness must watch for me this

Sure on this shin-ing night of star-made shad-ows round, kind-ness must watch for me this

T Sure on this shin-ing night, [+] sure on this shin - ing -

B Sure on this shin-ing

B a tempo

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

BRING OUT [5] of sure/shining

19

yes

side the ground, on this shin ing night, this

side the ground, on this shin ing night, this

night, sure on this shin-ing night, this

night, sure on this shin ing night, this

rit.

rit.

Ped.

KEEP DYNAMIC EQUAL
on ♩ notes

♩ notes conducted

22

a tempo *molto rit.* *a tempo* = ♩ pulse

shin ing night.

shin ing night.

shin ing night.

shin ing night.

a tempo *molto rit.* *a tempo*

mp

Ped.

*Omit if the low As are out of range.

25

T

B

mp

The late year lies—

mp

The late year lies—

Red.

Red.

Red.

Red.

Red.

28

down the north, All— is healed, all— is health. High

down the north, All— is healed, all— is health. High

(no breath)

Red.

Red.

Red.

Red.

Red.

31

S

A

T

B

mp

The late year lies— down the north, All— is

mp

The late year lies— down the north, All— is

sum-mer holds the earth Hearts all whole. All— is healed,—

sum-mer holds the earth— Hearts all whole. All— is healed,—

Red.

Red.

Red.

Red.

Red.

RE-START PHRASE

34

(no breath)

mf

healed, _____ all _____ is health. High sum-mer holds the earth. Hearts all _____

healed, _____ all _____ is health. High sum-mer holds the earth. Hearts all _____

_____ all _____ is health, all _____ is health. High sum-mer holds the earth. Hearts all _____

_____ all _____ is health, all _____ is health. High sum-mer holds the earth. Hearts all _____

Ped.

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meno mosso *rit.* **D** *a tempo*

f

whole. _____ Sure on this shin - ing night, sure on this shin - ing,

whole. _____ Sure on this shin - ing night, **[+]** sure on this

whole. _____ Sure on this shin - ing night, **[+]** sure on this

whole. _____ Sure on this shin - ing night, **[+]** sure on this

meno mosso *rit.* **D** *a tempo*

f

Ped.

SOP: KEEP $\downarrow$ note
dynamic equal

40

shin - ing night, sure on this shin -

shin - ing night, sure on this shin -

shin - ing night, sure on this shin -

shin - ing night, sure on this shin -

rit. a tempo ff

AT 8 RELEASE V/S

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

43

ing night. [t] I weep for won-der wan-d'ring far a - lone [n] of

ing night. [t] I weep a - lone [n] of

ing night. [t] I weep for won-der wan-d'ring far a - lone [n] of

ing night. [t] I weep a - lone [n] of

rit. a tempo mp p

"Hum" the [n]

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

meno mosso rit. molto rit. **E** Molto meno mosso, with a sense of wonder *ppp* hushed

molto lunga

46

shad - ows on the stars. [z] Sure on this

shad - ows on the stars. [z]

8 shad - ows on the stars. [z]

shad - ows on the stars. [z] *ppp* hushed Sure on this shin-ing

meno mosso rit. molto rit. **E** Molto meno mosso, with a sense of wonder

molto lunga (no break)

ppp

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

49

shin-ing night, this shin - ing night, on this

ppp hushed Sure on this shin - ing night, on this

ppp hushed Sure on this shin-ing night, on this

night of star-made shadows round, kind-ness must watch for me this side the ground, on this

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

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OUT OF TEMPO

52

shin - - - ing night, this shin - - -

shin - - - ing night, this shin - - -

shin - - - ing night, this shin - - -

shin - - - ing night, this shin - - -

shin - - - ing night, this shin - - -

shin - - - ing night, this shin - - -

56

rit.

F **Meno mosso**

ing night,

ing night,

ing night,

ing night,

ing night,

ing night,

rit.

F **Meno mosso**

p

Red.

59 *meno mosso* *rit.* *molto meno mosso* *p*

sure on this shin - ing

sure on this shin - ing

sure on this shin - ing

sure on this shin - ing

meno mosso *rit.* *molto meno mosso*

Red.

62 *Tempo I* *rit.* *molto rit.* *lunga*

night.

night.

night.

night.

Tempo I *rit.* *molto rit.* *lunga*

mp

Red.

Red.

Red.

(for Jama)
(ca. 4'45")