

DURATION: 4 minutes

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Be Music, Night

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System 1: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass. Tempo: ♩ = 66. Dynamics: *p*, *mp*, *mf*. Lyrics: Be mus - ic, mus - ic, night, mus - ic, night, mus - ic, night.

System 2: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass. Dynamics: *p*, *mp*, *mf*. Lyrics: That her sleep may go Where an - gels have their pale tall night, That her sleep may go Where an - gels have their pale tall That her sleep may go Where an - gels have their pale tall That her sleep may go Where an - gels have their pale tall

System 3: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass. Dynamics: *mf*, *p*, *mp*, *pp*. Lyrics: choirs, choirs, Be a hand, sea, Be a hand, That her choirs, choirs, Be a hand, sea, Be a hand, That her choirs, choirs, Be a hand, sea, Be a hand, That her choirs, choirs, Be a hand, sea, Be a hand, sea

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dreams may watch Thy guides-man touch-ing the

That her dreams may watch Thy guides - man touch - ing the

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green flesh of the world Be a voice, sky, Be a

green flesh of the world Be a voice, sky, Be a

green flesh of the world Be a voice, Be a voice,

green flesh of the world Be a voice,

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voice, sky, That her beau-ties may be

voice, sky, Be a voice That her beau-ties may be

sky, Be a voice, sky

sky, Be a voice, sky

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count - ed, may be count - ed And the stars will
 count - ed, may be count - ed and the stars will
 unis. *mf* That her beau - ties may be count - ed and the stars will
 That her beau - ties may be count - ed and the stars will

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tilt their qui - et fac - es.
 tilt their qui - et fac - es in - to the mir - ror, in - to the
 will tilt their qui - et fac - es in - to the mir - ror, in - to the

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stars in the mir - ror, in the mir - ror, in the
 mir - ror, stars in the mir - ror, in the mir - ror, in the
 stars in the mir - ror, in the stars in the mir - ror, in the
 stars in the mir - ror, in the stars in the mir - ror, in the

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mir - ror of her love - li - ness. Be a road, earth, be a

div. mir - ror of her love - li - ness Be a road, earth, be a

mir - ror of her love - li - ness Be a road, earth, be a

mir - ror Be a road, earth, be a

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road, that her walk - ing will take thee where the towns of

road, that her walk - ing will take thee where the towns of

road, that her walk - ing will take thee where the towns of

road, will take thee where the towns of

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heav - en lift their breath - ing spires, of heav - en

heav - en lift their breath - ing spires, of heav - en

heav - en lift their breath - ing spires, of heav - en,

heav - - - - en lift their spires

Rall.