

The Skylark

Commissioned by the 2014-2015 Berkshire Concert Choir,
Paula Nuss, Artistic Director

(Approx. 3:00 min.)

Text: Christina Rossetti

Music: Steve Murray

Moderato $\text{♩} = 85$

Piano

The piano accompaniment is in G minor, 4/4 time. It begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The right hand features a series of chords and a melodic line in the final measure, while the left hand provides a simple harmonic accompaniment.

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A

6 *rit.* *mf* *a tempo* (no breath)

S
T

The earth was green, _____ the sky was blue: _____

The earth was green, _____ the sky was blue: _____

6 *rit.* *mp* *a tempo*

Pno.

The perusal score includes vocal parts for Soprano (S) and Tenor (T), and piano accompaniment (Pno.). The vocal parts begin at measure 6 with a *rit.* marking. The lyrics are: "The earth was green, _____ the sky was blue: _____". The piano accompaniment also begins at measure 6 with a *rit.* marking and a *mp* dynamic. The score includes tempo markings of *rit.*, *a tempo*, and *mp*.



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12

S
I saw and heard one sun - ny morn, A sky - lark

T
I saw and heard one sun - ny morn, A sky - lark

Pno.

f

mf

18

S
hang be - tween the two, a sing - ing speck a - bove the corn,

T
hang be - tween the two, a sing - ing speck a - bove the corn,

Pno.

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24

S
A sing - ing speck a - bove the corn.

T
A sing - ing speck a - bove the corn.

Pno.

30 *rit.* **B** *mp* *a tempo* (no breath)

S A T

A stage be - low, in gay ac - cord,

Pno. *rit.* *p*

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S A T B

White but - ter - flies danced on the wing, And still the

Danced on the wing, And still the

Pno. *Leg.*

42

S
sing — ing sky - ward soared, and si - lent sank and soared to

A
sing — ing sky - ward soared, and si - lent sank and soared to

T
sing — ing sky - ward soared, and si - lent sank and soared to

B
sing ing sky - ward soared, and si - lent sank and soared to

Pno.

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47

S
sing, and si - lent sank and soared to sing.

A
sing, and si - sank and soared to sing.

T
sing, and si - lent sank and soared to sing.

B
sing, and si - lent sank and soared to sing.

Pno.

rit.

53

S

A

T

B

mf

The

mf

The

Pno.

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C

a tempo *mp* *cresc.*

S

Oo Oo Oo

mp *cresc.*

A

Oo Oo Oo

(no breath) *cresc.*

T

corn field stretched a ten-der green to right and left be - side my

(no breath) *cresc.*

B

corn field stretched a ten-der green to right and left be - side my

59 *a tempo* *cresc.*

Pno.

65

S *f* Ah I knew he had a nest un (no breath)

A *f* Ah I knew he had a nest un (no breath)

T *f* walks; I knew he had a nest un (no breath)

B *f* walks; I knew he had a nest un (no breath)

Pno. *f*

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70

S *mf* seen some - where a - mong the mil - lion stalks.

A *mf* seen some - where a - mong the mil - lion stalks, the mil - lion stalks.

T *mf* seen some - where a - mong the mil - lion stalks, the mil - lion stalks, some - *mf*

B *mf* seen some - where a - mong the mil - lion stalks. some -

Pno. *mf*

75 *mp* *rit.* *pp* **D** *slower* ♩ = 120

S a - mong the mil - lion stalks. And as I paused to

A a - mong the mil - lion stalks. And as I paused to

T where a - mong, a - mong the mil - lion stalks. And as I paused to

B where a - mong the mil - lion stalks. And as I paused to hear his

Pno. *pp* *slower* ♩ = 120

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81 *(staggared breathing)* *mp*

S hear his song, while swift the sun - ny mo - ments slid, per -

A hear his song, while swift the sun - ny mo - ments slid, per -

T hear his song, while swift the sun - ny mo - ments slid, per -

B song, to hear his song while swift the sun - ny mo - ments slid, per -

Pno. *mp*

86

S
haps his mate sat list - 'ning long, and lis - ten'd

A
haps his mate sat list - 'ning long, and lis - ten'd

T
haps his mate sat list - 'ning long, and lis - ten'd

B
haps his mate sat list - 'ning long, and lis - ten'd

Pno.

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91

S
long - er than I did, and lis - ten'd long - er than I

A
long - er than I did, and lis - ten'd long - er than I

T
long - er than I did, and lis - ten'd long - er than I

B
long - er than I did, and lis - ten'd long - er than I

Pno.

slower

96 *pp* *rit.*

S did, and lis - ten'd long - er than I did.

A did, and lis - ten'd long - er than I did.

T did, and lis - ten'd long - er than I did.

B did, and lis - ten'd long - er than I did.

96 *pp*

Pno. **Perusal Score: Not For Sale** *pp*