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Lullaby to an Ancient River

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Moderato $\text{♩} = 100$

S. (Soprano) A. (Alto) Pno. (Piano)

Moderato $\text{♩} = 100$ *8va-----* *flowing, unhurried*
pedal freely

Pno. (Piano)

10

15

A [Altos/Solo/Voicing ad. lib.]

20

A. *mp*
Hear me, an - cient riv-er, close your

Pno. *pp*

=

24

A. *mf*
wear - y eyes. You have trav-eled far__ this day;

Pno.

=

28

S. *mp*
by__ the gold-en marsh-es, warmed__ by the

A. *mp*
by__ the gold-en marsh-es, warmed__ by the

Pno.

4

32

S. sun a-long your way.

A. sun a-long your way.

Pno.

=

B [Sopranos/Solo/Voicing ad. lib.]

37 *mf*

S. The wind will stop and lis-ten to my sim-ple song

Pno.

B

mp

=

41

S. with the com-ing of the night.

Pno.

45

S1 *mp*

And you will sleep 'til morn-ing,____ bathed in the qui-et har - bour

S2 *melody mp*

And you will sleep 'til morn-ing,____ bathed in the qui-et har - bour

A. *mp*

And you will sleep 'til morn-ing,____ bathed in the qui-et har - bour

Pno. *p*

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49

S1 lights.

S2 lights.

A. lights.

Pno.

53

C

S1 **p**

Oo far, far a - way;

S2 **p**

Oo far, far a - way;

A1 **mp optional solo**

Notes of love I could ne-ver write, far, far a - way;

A2 **p**

oo far, far a - way;

Pno. **C**

p

pp

57

S1 **p**

Oo and lost, lost in the **pp**

S2 **p**

Oo and lost, lost in the **pp**

A1 **mp**

scarce - ly heard in the qui-et night and lost, lost in the **pp**

A2 **p**

Oo and lost, and lost, lost in the **pp**

Pno.

ppp

61

S1
S2
A1
A2
Pno.

D

poco rit.
p

day. La la

day. La la la la

day. La la la la

day. La la

piano solo

D

poco rit.
p

a tempo

65

S1
S2
A1
A2
Pno.

mp

p

Oo La la la

mp

p

Oo Ah

mp

p

Oo La la la

mp

p

Oo La la la

a tempo

Pno.

70

S1 la la la la la la

S2 — Ah

A1 la la la la la la

A2 la la la la la ah

Pno.

74

S1

S2

A1 Now soon the tide will be chang - ing

A2 Now soon the tide will be chang - ing

Pno.

E

p

p

E

p

78

S1 **p** chang-ing, Oo gen-tle flow. Loo loo loo loo loo loo

S2 **p** chang-ing, Oo gen-tle flow. Loo loo loo loo loo loo

A1 — with a gen-tle flow. The stars are melt-ing with the sky.

A2 — with a gen-tle flow. The stars are melt-ing with the sky.

Pno.

82

S1 loo And when the storms are break-ing, **mp** **mf**

S2 loo And when the storms are break-ing, **mp** **mf**

A1 — And when the storms are break-ing, **mp** **mf**

A2 — And, when the storms are break-ing, **mp** **mf**

Pno.

10

86

S1 *p* *mp*

Oo You will re - mem - ber with a sigh

S2 *p* *mp* *p*

Oo with a sigh

A1 *p* *mp* *p*

Oo with a sigh

A2 *p* *mp*

Oo You will re - mem - ber with a sigh

Pno.

rit. *p* *a tempo*

89

S1 -

Oo your lull - a - by.

S2 -

Oo your lull - a - by.

A1 *p*

the night I sang your lull - a - by.

A2 *p*

the night I sang your lull - a - by.

Pno.

rit. *a tempo*

93 rit.

S1

S2

A1

A2

Pno.

pp

p

niente

oo

pp

p

niente

oo

pp

p

niente

oo

pp

p

niente

oo

rit.

pp



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