

OUT OF THE ORIENT, CRYSTAL SKIES

For upper voices and piano/organ

For Olivia Sparkhall and Godolphin Vocal Ensemble

English Traditional, c.1613*

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Cheerfully ♩ = c.100

SOPRANO 1

SOPRANO 2

ALTO

PIANO/ORGAN

mf

con ped.

5

S. lan,* _____ fa- lan, _____ fa- lan, _____ di- do! _____

S. Ti- ding,* _____ ti- ding, _____ ti- ding, _____ di- do! _____

A. Di- do, _____ di- do, _____ di- do, _____ di- do! _____

Pno./Org.

* Source: Edith Rickert, Ancient English Christmas Carols: 1400-1700 (London: Chatto & Windus, 1914), pp. 57-58

* Close to consonants and hold

A All voices (S,S,A)

9 *mp*

S. Out of the or - ient, cry - stal skies a bla - zing star did shine, showing the place where poor - ly lies a

Pno./Org. *mp*

12

S. bles - sed babe di-vine. Born of a maid of roy - al blood who Ma - ry high by name, a

Pno./Org.

15 *mf* (S1 only)

S. sa - cred rose which once did bud by grace of heav'n - ly flame. Fa -

Pno./Org.

18 *mf*

S. lan, _____ fa - lan, _____ fa - lan, _____ di - do! _____ This

S. *mf* Ti - ding, _____ ti - ding, _____ ti - ding, _____ di - do! _____ This

A. *mf* Di - do, _____ di - do, _____ di - do, _____ di - do! _____

Pno./Org. *mf*

The musical score is written for Soprano (S), Alto (A), and Piano/Organ (Pno./Org.). It is in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The score is divided into four systems. The first system (measures 9-11) features a Soprano line with lyrics 'Out of the orient, crystal skies a blazing star did shine, showing the place where poorly lies a' and a piano accompaniment of eighth notes. The second system (measures 12-14) continues the Soprano line with 'bles-sed babe di-vine. Born of a maid of royal blood who Mary high by name, a'. The third system (measures 15-17) includes a Soprano line with 'sacred rose which once did bud by grace of heav'n-ly flame. Fa -' and a piano accompaniment that changes to 6/8 time. The fourth system (measures 18-21) features three vocal parts: Soprano, Alto, and Alto, all with lyrics 'lan, fa-lan, fa-lan, di-do! This Ti-ding, ti-ding, ti-ding, di-do! This Di-do, di-do, di-do, di-do!'. The piano accompaniment returns to 4/4 time and includes a final chord.

22 **B**

S. shi-ning star three kings did guide e'en from the fur - thest East, to Beth-le-hem where it be-tide this

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A. Shi - - ning star, Beth - - le -

Pno./Org.

25

S. bles - sed babe did rest, laid in a sil - ly man-ger poor, be-twixt an ox and ass, whom

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A. hem, laid in a sil - ly man-ger poor, be-twixt an ox and ass, whom

Pno./Org.

28 *f*

S. these three kings did all a-dore as God's high plea-sure was. Fa-

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A. these three kings did all a-dore as God's high plea-sure was.

Pno./Org.

31

S. lan, _____ fa - lan, _____ fa - lan, _____ di-

S. *f* Ti - ding, _____ ti - ding, _____ ti - ding, _____ di-

A. *f* Di - do, _____ di - do, _____ di - do, _____ di-

Pno./Org. *f*

34 C *mp*

S. do! _____ And for the joy of his great birth a thou-sand an-gels sing:

S. do! _____ *p* Fa - lan - - ti - - ding -

A. do! _____ *p* Fa - lan - - ti - - ding -

Pno./Org. *p*

38 *mp* *mf* *f*

S. 'Glo-ry and peace un-to the earth where born is this new King! Glo - ry and peace,___ un -

S. *mp* *mf* *f* di - - do, di - - do. Glo - ry and peace,___ un -

A. *mp* *mf* *f* di - - do, di - - do. Glo - ry and peace,___ un -

Pno./Org. *mp* *mf* *f*

41

S. to the earth! a thou - sand an - gels sing!

S. to the earth! a thou - sand an - gels sing!

A. to the earth! a thou - sand an - gels sing!

Pno./Org.

44 *ff*

S. Glo - ry and peace, un - to the earth! a thou - sand an - gels

S. *ff* Glo - ry and peace, un - to the earth! a thou - sand an - gels

A. *ff* Glo - ry and peace, un - to the earth! a thou - sand an - gels

Pno./Org. *ff*

47

S. *f*
sing! Fa - lan, fa - lan, fa -

S. *f*
sing! Ti-ding, ti-ding,

A. *f*
sing! Di-do, di-do,

Pno./Org. *f*

51

S. **D** *mp*
lan, di - do! Out of the or - ient, cry - stal skies a

S. *mp*
ti - ding, di - do! Out of the or - ient, cry - stal skies a

A. *mp*
— di - do, di - do! Out of the or - ient, cry - stal skies a

Pno./Org. *mp*

54

S. bla - zing star did shine, show-ing the place where poor - ly lies a bles - sed babe di-vine.

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A. bla - zing star did shine, show-ing the place where poor - ly lies a bles - sed babe di-vine.

Pno./Org.

57 *mf*

S. Born of a maid of roy - al blood who Ma - ry hight by name, a sa - cred rose which once did bud by

S. *mf* Born of a maid of roy - al blood who Ma - ry hight by name, a sa - cred rose which once did bud by

A. *mf* Born of a maid of roy - al blood who Ma - ry hight by name, a sa - cred rose which once did bud by

Pno./Org. *mf*

60

S. grace of heav'n-ly flame. Fa - lan, _____ fa - lan, _____ fa-

S. grace of heav'n-ly flame. Ti-ding, _____ ti-ding, _____

A. grace of heav'n-ly flame. Di-do, _____ di-do, _____

Pno./Org.

E

64

S. lan, _____ di - do! *f* Fa - lan, _____ di-do, fa -

S. ti - ding, _____ di - do! *f* Fa - lan, _____ di-

A. _____ di - do, _____ di - do! *f* Ti - ding, _____ ti ding, _____

Pno./Org.

67

S. lan, di-do, fa - lan, di-do, di - do!

S. do, fa - lan, di - do, fa - lan, di - do, di - do! *ff* Fa-

A. ti - ding, ti - ding, ti - ding, di - do, di-do!

Pno./Org.

70 *ff*

S. Fa - - lan - - ti - ding, ding, di - -

S. lan, di-do, fa - lan, di-do, fa - lan, di-do, di-

A. *ff* Ti - ding, ti - ding, ti - ding, ti - ding, ti - ding, di-

Pno./Org. *ff*

73

S. do, di -

S. do, di -

A. do, di -

Pno./Org.

76

S. do!

S. do!

A. do!

Pno./Org. *f*

poco rit. . .

poco rit. . .