

# ELLA'S SONG

For SATB a cappella \*

Duration: ca. 3:40

Words and Music by  
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**With conviction and purpose (J = 112)**

Voice

We who- be-lieve- in- free- dom- can- not rest,

Piano

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Voice

We who be-lieve in free-dom can-not rest un-til it comes.-

Pno

9 C1 : ALTI + Sop Solo

Voice

We who be-lieve in free-dom can-not rest,

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Pno

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Voice      We who be-lieve- free- dom- can- not rest un- til it- comes. \*Un-til-

S.

A.

T.      - - - -

B.

Pno {

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Voice      the kill- ing of black men, black moth- -er's- sons,

S.

A.

T.      - - -

B.

Pno {

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Voice

is as im- por-tant- as the kill-ing- of white- men,-

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pno

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Voice

white moth- -er's- sons.- That which touch- -es- me most-

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pno

26

Voice

is that I had a chance to work with people

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pno

29

Voice

Pass-ing-on to oth-ers that which was passed on to me.

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pno

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## C2 : BASSES + Ténor Solo

Voice

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pno

We who- be- lieve in free- dom can- not rest,-

We who- be-lieve- in free- -dom- can- not

We who- be- lieve in free- -dom- can- not

We who believe- in free-dom- can- not

We wha be- lieve- in free-dom- can-not

## Basses Remplacées par Alti

Voice

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pno

rest,

We who be- lieve in free- dom can- not- rest un- til it- comes.

rest,

We who be- lieve in free- -dom- can- not

rest,

We who be- lieve in free- -dom- can- not

rest,

We who be- lieve in free--dom- can- not rest.

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Voice      To YOU young peo-ple- come first, they have the

S.      rest. Doo doo doo doo doo doo

A.      rest. Doo doo doo doo doo doo

T.      rest. Doo doo doo doo doo doo

B.      Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

Pno {

43

Voice      conr- age where we failed And if YOU can but shed some light-

S.      doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

A.      doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

T.      doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

B.      doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

Pno {

46

Voice      as they- car- ry us through- the gale.- The old-

S.      doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo.-

A.      doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo.-

T.      doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo.-

B.      doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo.

Pno {

49

Voice      - er YOU get, the bet- ter YOU know that the se-cret- of YOUR go-ing- on

S.      Doo doo doo doo doo doo

A.      Doo doo doo doo doo doo

T.      Doo doo doo doo doo doo

B.      Doo doo

Pno {

C3 : ALTI + Sop Solo

55

Voice      run- a- gainst the storm.      We who be-lieve- in- free- dom can- not

S.      doo doo doo doo doo doo.-      We who be-lieve- in

A.      doo doo doo doo doo doo.      We who be-lieve- in

T.      8 doo doo doo doo doo doo.      We who be-lieve- in

B.      doo doo doo doo doo doo.-      We wha be- lieve in

Pno

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Voice

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pno

rest,  
We who be- lieve in free- dom can- not  
free- dom- can- not rest, We who be- lieve- in  
free- dom- can- not rest, We who be- lieve- in  
free- -dom- can- not rest, We who be- lieve- in  
free-dom- can- -not rest, We who be- lieve- in

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Voice

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pno

rest un- til it- comes.. Not need- ing to clutch for pow-  
free- dom can- not rest. Doo  
free- dom can- not rest. Doo  
free- dom can- not rest. Doo  
free- dom can- not rest.- Doo doo doo doo

66

Voice      er, not need- ing the light just to shine on me,- I need to

S.      doo doo

A.      doo doo

T.      doo doo

B.      doo doo

Pno

69

Voice

be one in the num- ber- as- we- stand a- gainst ty- ran- ny.-

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pno

72

Voice      Strug-gling- my- -self- don't mean- a whole lot, I've

S.      Doo doo doo doo doo doo-

A.      Doo doo doo doo doo doo-

T.      Doo doo doo doo doo doo-

B.      Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo-

Pno {

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Voice      come to re- al- ize That teach-ing- oth- ers to

S.      doo doo doo doo doo doo- doo-

A.      doo doo doo doo doo doo- doo-

T.      doo doo doo doo doo doo doo-

B.      doo doo doo doo doo doo doo-

Pno {

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Voice

stand up and fight is the on- ly way our strug- gle sur- vives,-

S.

doo doo.-

A.

doo doo.-

T.

doo doo.-

B.

doo doo.

Pno

81 C4 : BASSES + Ténor Solo

Voice

We who be- lieve in free- dom can- not rest,

S.

We who be- lieve in free- dom can- not rest,

A.

We who be- lieve in free- dom can- not rest,

T.

We who be- lieve in free- dom can- not rest,

B.

**ALTI** We who be- lieve in free- dom can- not rest,

Pno

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Voice      S.      A.      T.      B.      Pno

We who be- lieve in free- dom can- not rest un- til it comes.      YOU'RE a  
 We who be- lieve in free- dom can- not rest.  
 We who be- lieve in free- dom can- not rest.  
 We who be- lieve in free- dom can- not rest.  
 We who be- lieve in free- dom can- not rest.-

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Voice      S.      A.      T.      B.      Pno

woman who speaks in a voice, and YOU must be heard;  
 Doo doo doo doo doo doo  
 Doo doo doo doo doo doo

Pno

FINALE : TUTTI A CAPELLA

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Voice      bow to uo man's word, We who be-lieve- itr=...

S.      doo doo doo doo doo doo.-

A.      doo doo doo doo doo doo.

T.      8 doo doo doo doo doo doo.-

B.      doo doo doo doo doo doo.

Pno

SONG SATB

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Voice

free- dom can- not rest,

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pno

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Voice

We who be-lieve- in free- dom can- -not- rest un- til it- comes.

S.

A.

T.

B.

Pno