

# Sure On This Shining Night

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Flowing, tempo rubato (♩ = ca. 72) *poco rit.* *a tempo*

Piano *p espressivo*

4 *rit.* *a tempo mp*

T Sure on this shin - ing *mp*

B *A* Sure on this shin - ing *a tempo*

7 *poco rit.* \*

night of star-made shad-ows round, kind-ness must watch for me this side—the ground, on this

night of star-made shad-ows round, kind-ness must watch for me this side—the ground, on this *poco rit.*

\*Omit if the low As are out of range.

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10 *a tempo* *rit.* *a tempo*

shin - - - ing night, this shin - - -

shin - - - ing night, this shin - - -

*Ped.* *Ped.* *Ped.* *Ped.* *Ped.*

13 *rit.* *a tempo* *rit.*

- ing night.

- ing night.

*rit.* *a tempo* *rit.*

*Ped.* *Ped.* *Ped.* *Ped.* *Ped.*

16 **B** *a tempo* *mp*

S *mp* Sure on this shin-ing night of star-made shad-ows round, kind-ness must watch for me this

A *mp* Sure on this shin-ing night of star-made shad-ows round, kind-ness must watch for me this

T *mp* Sure on this shin-ing night, sure on this shin - - - ing

B *mp* Sure on this shin-ing

**B** *a tempo*

*Ped.* *Ped.* *Ped.* *Ped.* *Ped.*

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side the ground, on this shin-ing night, this  
 side the ground, on this shin-ing night, this  
 night, sure on this shin-ing night, this  
 night, sure on this shin-ing night, this

*rit.*

Ped. Ped. Ped.

22

shin-ing night. shin-ing night. shin-ing night. shin-ing night.

*a tempo* *molto rit.* **C** *a tempo*

*mp*

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

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25

T *mp* The late year lies —

B *mp* The late year lies —

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

28

(no breath)

down the north, All is healed, all is health. High

down the north, All is healed, all is health. High

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

31

S *mp* The late year lies — down the north, All is

A *mp* The late year lies — down the north, All is

T sum-mer holds the earth. Hearts all whole. All is healed, —

B sum-mer holds the earth. Hearts all whole. All is healed, —

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

34

(no breath)

*mf*

healed, \_\_\_\_\_ all is health. High sum-mer holds the earth. Hearts all

healed, \_\_\_\_\_ all is health. High sum-mer holds the earth. Hearts all

\_\_\_\_\_ all is health, all is health. High sum-mer holds the earth. Hearts all

\_\_\_\_\_ all is health, all is health. High sum-mer holds the earth. Hearts all

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

37

*meno mosso*

*rit.*

**D** *a tempo*

*f*

whole. \_\_\_\_\_ Sure on this shin - ing night, sure on this shin - ing,

whole. \_\_\_\_\_ Sure on this shin - ing night, sure on this

whole. \_\_\_\_\_ Sure on this shin - ing night, sure on this

whole. \_\_\_\_\_ Sure on this shin - ing night, sure on this

*meno mosso* *rit.* **D** *a tempo*

Ped. Ped.

40

*rit.* *ff* *a tempo*

shin - - ing night, — sure on this shin - - -

shin - - - ing night, sure on this shin - - -

shin - - - ing night, sure on this shin - - -

shin - - - ing night, sure on this shin - - -

*rit.* *ff* *a tempo*

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

43

*rit.* *mp* *a tempo* *p*

- ing night. I weep for won-der wan-d'ring far a - lone of

- ing night. I weep a - lone of

- ing night. I weep for won-der wan-d'ring far a - lone of

- ing night. I weep a - lone of

*rit.* *a tempo* *mp* *p*

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

meno mosso rit.

molto rit.

**E** Molto meno mosso,  
with a sense of wonder

molto lunga

*ppp* hushed

46

shad - ows on the stars. Sure on this

shad - ows on the stars.

shad - ows on the stars.

shad - ows on the stars. Sure on this shin-ing

meno mosso rit.

molto rit.

**E** Molto meno mosso,  
with a sense of wonder

molto lunga  
(no break)

*ppp* hushed

*ppp*

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

49

shin-ing night, this shin - ing night, on this

*ppp* hushed

Sure on this shin - ing night, on this

*ppp* hushed

Sure on this shin-ing night, on this

night of star-made shadows round, kind-ness must watch for me this side the ground, on this

Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped. Ped.

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shin - - - ing night, this shin - -

shin - - - ing night, this shin - -

shin - - - ing night, this shin - -

shin - - - ing night, this shin - -

56

*rit.*

**F** *Meno mosso*

ing night,

ing night,

ing night,

ing night,

*p*

*Ped.* *Ped.*



59 *meno mosso* *rit.* *molto meno mosso*  
*p*  
 sure on this shin - ing  
*p*  
 sure on this shin - ing  
*p*  
 sure on this shin - ing  
*p*  
 sure on this shin - ing

*meno mosso* *rit.* *molto meno mosso*  
 Ped.

62 *Tempo I* *rit.* *molto rit.* *lunga*  
 night.  
 night.  
 night.  
 night.

*Tempo I* *rit.* *molto rit.* *lunga*  
*mp* *p*  
 Ped. Ped. Ped.

(for Jama)  
 (ca. 4'45")