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# GOLDEN SLUMBERS

*for SATTBB Chorus*



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*Golden slumbers kiss your eyes;  
Smiles awake you when you rise.  
Sleep, pretty wanton, do not cry,  
And I will sing a lullaby:  
Rock Him, rock Him, lullaby.*

*Care is heavy, therefore sleep you;  
You are care, and care must keep you.  
Sleep, pretty wanton, do not cry,  
And I will sing a lullaby:  
Rock Him, rock Him, lullaby.*

after Thomas Dekker (1572-1632)

duration: c. 2:30

*Golden Slumbers* was written in 1994, during my tenure as composer in residence for the Dale Warland Singers.

Close quickly to “m” when singing the word “slumbers.”

# Golden Slumbers

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**sempre molto legato ( $\text{♩} = \text{c. 72}$ )**

Soprano      Alto      Tenor      Bass      Piano (for rehearsal only)

*Gold - en slum - bers kiss your eyes;*

*Lu lu la lu lu la lu lu la lu lu lu lu*

*Lu lu la lu lu la lu lu la lu lu lu lu*

**sempre molto legato ( $\text{♩} = \text{c. 72}$ )**

S      A      T      B      Pno.

*gold - en slum - bers, ah Smiles a - wake you when you* *cresc.*

*Gold - en slum - bers, ah lu lu lu lu* *cresc.*

*lu lu lu lu*

*lu gold - en slum - bers, ah lu lu lu lu* *cresc.*

*lu lu lu lu*

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S: *mf*      *cresc.*      *f*      *dim.*  
 rise. Sleep, pret - ty wan - ton, do not

A: *mf*      *cresc.*      *f*      *dim.*  
 lu lu la lu

T: *mf*      *cresc.*      *f*      *dim.*  
 lu lu la lu lu

B: *mf*      *cresc.*      *f*      *dim.*  
 lu lu lu la lu lu lu

Pno. (piano) (harpsichord)

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S: *mp*      *poco rit.*      *poco meno mosso*      *dim.*      *poco rit.*      *a tempo*  
 cry, And I will sing a lul la by:

A: *mp*      *lu*      *lu*      *Rock Him, rock,*

T: *mp*      *lu*      *lu*      *dim.*      *lu*      *la*      *Rock Him, rock Him,*

B: *mp*      *lu*      *lu*      *dim.*      *lu*      *lu*      *la*      *lu*      *lu*

Pno. (piano) (harpsichord)

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S: Rock Him. Care is heavy, there - fore sleep you;—  
A: rock Him, rock. Care is heavy, there - fore sleep you;—  
T: 8 rock, rock—Him. Care is heavy, there - fore sleep you;—  
B: rock — Him. ah ...sleep you;—

Pno.

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S: You are care, and care must keep you. Sleep, —  
A: You are care, and care must keep you. Sleep, —  
T: 8 You are care, and care must keep you. Sleep, —  
B: You are care, and care must keep you. Sleep, —

Pno.

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S — sleep, pret - ty wan - ton, \_\_\_\_\_

A — sleep, pret - ty wan - ton, \_\_\_\_\_ do not cry,

T — sleep, pret - ty wan - ton, \_\_\_\_\_ do not cry, \_\_\_\_\_

B — sleep, \_\_\_\_\_ wan - ton, \_\_\_\_\_ do \_\_\_\_\_ not cry, \_\_\_\_\_

Pno.

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S —————— *mf* And I will sing a lul la - by: \_\_\_\_\_

A lu —————— *mf* lu lu lu lu —————— *poco rit.* Rock, \_\_\_\_\_

T lu —————— *mf* lu lu lu lu —————— *p* Rock, rock Him, \_\_\_\_\_

B lu —————— *mf* lu lu lu lu la lu Rock — HIm, \_\_\_\_\_

Pno.

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————— *poco rit.* a tempo

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Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: And I will sing you a lul-la. Dynamics: *poco rit.*, *pp*, *poco rit.*

Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics: rock, ah sing you... ah lu la. Dynamics: *pp*.

Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics: rock, rock Him. ah sing you... ah lu la. Dynamics: *pp*.

Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics: rock Him. ah lu lu la. Dynamics: *pp*.

Piano (Pno.) harmonic support with bass line.

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Soprano (S) vocal line with lyrics: by. Dynamics: *poco meno mosso*.

Alto (A) vocal line with lyrics: lu lu lu. Dynamics: *poco meno mosso*.

Tenor (T) vocal line with lyrics: lu lu lu. Dynamics: *poco meno mosso*.

Bass (B) vocal line with lyrics: lu lu lu lu. Dynamics: *poco meno mosso*.

Piano (Pno.) harmonic support with bass line.