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mad magnificent herald (Spring)

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$\text{♩} = \text{c. } 66$ **slightly rubato**
f declamatory

Soprano
And still the mad mag-nif-i-cent her-ald Spring

Alto
And still the mad mag-nif-i-cent her-ald Spring as -

Tenor
And still the mad mag-nif-i-cent her-ald Spring

Bass
And still the mad mag-nif-i-cent her-ald Spring

Keyboard (for rehearsal only)
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poco accel. $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 76$

5 *p* *mf* *p* *mp* *p*

as - sem - - bles beau - ty from for - get - ful - ness

-sem - bles, as - sem - bles, as - sem - - bles beau - ty from for - get - - - ful - ness

p *mf* *p* *mp* *p*

as - sem - bles, as - sem - bles, -sem - - bles beau - ty from for - get - - - ful - ness

p *mf* *p* *mp* *p*

as - sem - - bles beau - ty from for - get - ful - ness

poco accel. $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 76$

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10 *cresc.* **f** *mp sub. cresc.* **f**

mm, mm, mm, mm, with the wild trrr* - - ump of A - pril:___

cresc. **f** *mp sub. cresc.* **f**

with the wild trrr* - - ump of A - pril:___

cresc. **f** *mp sub. cresc.* **f**

with the wild trrr* - - ump of A - pril:___

cresc. **f** *mp sub. cresc.* **f**

mm, mm, mm, mm, with the wild trrr* - - ump of A - pril:___

*trill "r"

17 *p* *pp* $\text{♩} = c. 104$ (♩ constant) **pp**

(spoken) A sil - ver sud - den par - o - dy of snow, a

p *pp*

mm

p *pp*

(spoken) A sil - ver sud - den par - o - dy of snow,

pp (tutti) *pp*

(close to) "m" (spoken) A sil - ver sud - den par - o - dy of

$\text{♩} = c. 104$ (♩ constant)

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p

sil - ver sud - den par - o - dy of snow, _____ a sil - ver sud - den par - o - dy of

p

_____ a sil - ver sud - den par - o - dy of

p

_____ a

pp

snow, _____ a sil - ver sud - den par - o - dy of snow, _____ a

p

_____ a sil - ver sud - den par - o - dy of snow, _____ a

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mp

snow, _____ a sil - ver sud - den par - o - dy of snow, _____

mp

snow, _____ a sil - ver sud - den par - o - dy of snow, _____

mp

sil - ver sud - den par - o - dy of snow, a sil - - ver sud - den sud - den par - o - dy of

mp

sil - ver sud - den par - o - dy of snow, a sil - - ver sud - den sud - den par - o - dy of

_____ a sil - ver sud - den par - o - dy of snow, _____ a

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mf *f > mf*

tick - les, tick - les, tick - les, tick - les the air to gold, _____

mf *f > mf* *> p*

tick - les, tick - les, tick - les, tick - les the air to gold - en tears, _____ and

mf *f > mf* *> p*

snow _____ tick - les, tick - les the air to gold - en tears, and hark! and hark!_

mf *f > mf* *> p*

snow _____ tick - les, tick - les the air to gold - en tears, and hark! _____ and hark! _____

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p *cresc.* *mf*

and hark! and hark! _____ and hark! the flick - er's laugh - ing yet, _____ laugh - ing,

cresc. *mf*

hark! and hark! and hark! _____ and hark! the flick - er's laugh - ing yet, _____ laugh - ing,

cresc. *mf*

_____ and hark! _____ and hark! and hark! and hark! _____ the flick - er's laugh - ing yet,

cresc. *mf*

_____ and hark! _____ and hark! and hark! and hark! _____ the flick - er's laugh - ing yet,

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p < *mp* < *mf* *dim.* *p*

— laugh-ing, while on the hills— the pines— deep-en to whis(sss)-pers— pri-me-val,

— laugh-ing, while on the hills— the pines— deep-en to whis(sss)-pers— pri-me-val,

laugh-ing, while on the hills— the pines— deep-en to whis(sss)-pers— pri-me-val,

laugh-ing, laugh-ing yet, while on the hills— the pines— deep-en to whis(sss)-pers— pri-me-val,

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pp *p cresc.*

pri-me - (f + o = wind sound) _____ and throw back - ward,

pp *p* *cresc.*

pri-me - (f + o = wind sound) _____ and throw back - ward, _____ and throw

pp *p* *cresc.*

pri-me - (f + o = wind sound) _____ and throw _____ back - ward, _____ and throw

pp *cresc.*

prime (close to "m" immediately) _____ and throw back - ward, _____ and throw

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51 *mf* *dim.* *p* *cresc.*

back - - - - ward their fore - heads, their fore - heads, their fore - heads to the

mf *dim.* *p* *cresc.*

back - - - - ward their fore - heads, their fore - heads, their fore - heads to the

mf *dim.* *p* *cresc.*

back - - - - ward their fore - heads, their fore - heads, their fore - heads to the

mf *dim.* *p* *cresc.*

back - - - - ward their fore - heads, their fore - heads to the

58 *mf* *f* *dim.* *p*

bar - ba - rous bright sky,

mf *f* *dim.* *p*

bar - ba - rous bright sky,

mf *f* *dim.* *p*

bar - ba - rous bright sky,

mf *f* *dim.* *p*

bar - ba - bar - ba - rous bright sky, and sud - den - ly from the

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p and sud - den - ly, ah, ah,

p and sud - den - ly from the val - ley thrills ah,

p and sud - den - ly from the val - ley thrills ah,

val - ley thrills ah,

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ah, the un - im - ag - i - na - ble, un - im - ag - i - na - ble, *mp*

ah, the un - im - ag - i - na - ble, un - im - ag - i - na - ble, *mp*

ah, the un - im - ag - i - na - ble, un - im - ag - i - na - ble, *mp*

ah, the un - im - ag - i - na - ble, un - im - ag - i - na - ble, *mp*

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74 *mf* *mp > p*

un - im - ag - i - na - ble up - ward lark _____ and _____ drowns _____ the earth and pass - es,

mf *mp > p*

un - im - ag - i - na - ble up - ward lark _____ and _____ drowns _____ the earth and pass - es,

mf *mp > p*

un - im - ag - i - na - ble up - ward lark _____ and _____ drowns _____ the earth and pass - es,

mf *mp > p*

un - im - ag - i - na - ble up - ward lark _____ and _____ drowns _____ the earth and pass - es,

80 *cresc. poco a poco* *mf* *dim. poco a poco*

pass - es, _____ pass - es in - to light _____

cresc. poco a poco *mf* *dim. poco a poco*

pass - es, _____ pass - es in - to light _____

cresc. poco a poco *mf* *dim. poco a poco*

pass - es, _____ pass - es in - to light _____

cresc. poco a poco *mf* *f*

pass - es, _____ pass - es in - to light _____ and _____

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87 *p* *pp* *p*

ah _____ Spring _____

p *mp* *p*

ah _____ mad mag - ni - fi - cent her - ald Spring _____

p *mp*

ah _____ mad mag - ni - fi - cent

still the mad mag - ni - fi - cent her - ald Spring. _____

95 *mp* *dim. poco a poco* *pp*

_____ as - sem - bles_ beau - - - ty... _____

mp *dim. poco a poco* *pp*

_____ as - sem - bles_ beau - - - ty... _____

p *mp* *dim. poco a poco* *pp*

her - ald_ Spring _____ as - sem - bles_ beau - - - ty... _____

p *mp* *dim. poco a poco* *pp*

Spring _____ as - sem - bles_ beau - - - ty... _____

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$\text{♩} = c. 72$ *sempre poco rubato*

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— O still mi - rac - u - lous May! —

— O still mi - rac - u - lous May! — O shin - ing girl of time, —

— O still mi - rac - u - lous May! — O shin - ing girl of time, —

— O still mi - rac - u - lous May! — O shin - ing girl of

$\text{♩} = c. 72$ *sempre poco rubato*

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p O shin - ing girl of time un - tar - - nished! O small, small, small

mp *p* time un - tar - - nished! O small in - ti - mate

mp *p* time un - tar - - nished! O small, small

mp *p* time, girl of time un - tar - - nished! O small in - ti - mate

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friv - o - lous feet di - vine!

gent - ly pri - me - val hands, friv - o - lous feet di - vine!

friv - o - lous feet di - vine!

gent - ly pri - me - val hands, friv - o - lous feet di - vine, friv - o - lous feet di -

120

pp O sin - gu - lar, sin - gu - lar and breath - - less pearl! *cresc.* *p*

pp O si - gu - lar, sin - gu - lar and breath - - less pearl! *cresc.* *p*

pp O sin - gu - lar, sin - gu - lar and breath - - less pearl! *cresc.* *p*

- vine! *pp* sin - gu - lar, sin - gu - lar and breath - - less, *cresc.* *p* breath - less

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mp *p*

O in - de - fin - a - ble frail ul - ti - mate pose!

mp *p* *pp*

O in - de - fin - a - ble frail ul - ti - mate pose! O, O, O, O,

mp *p* *pp*

Frail ul - ti - mate pose! O vis - i - ble,

pearl! Ah, ul - ti - mate pose! O vis - i - ble,

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pp *p* *pp*

O, vis - i - ble be - at - i - tude

pp *p* *pp*

O, O, O, O, vis - i - ble be - at - i - tude sweet

p *pp*

vis - i - ble be - at - i - tude, O, O sweet sweet sweet sweet

p *pp*

vis - i - ble be - at - i - tude, O, O, O

poco più mosso; ♩ = c. 74

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138 *cresc. poco a poco* *mp*

sweet___ sweet___ sweet___ sweet___ sweet___ in - tol - er - a - ble!___

cresc. poco a poco *mp*

sweet___ sweet___ sweet___ sweet___ sweet___ in - tol - er - a - ble!___

cresc. poco a poco *mp*

sweet___ sweet___ sweet___ sweet___ sweet___ in - tol - er - a - ble!___

p cresc. poco a poco *mp*

sweet___ sweet___ sweet___ in - tol - er - a - ble!___

* soft "s" sound

142 *p cresc. poco a poco*

ssssi - lence (ssss) im - mac - u - late,___ im - mac - u - late___ of

p cresc. poco a poco

ssssi - lence (ssss) im - mac - u - late,___ im - mac - u - late___ of

p cresc. poco a poco

ssssi - lence (ssss) im - mac - u - late,___ im - mac - u - late___ of

p cresc. poco a poco

ssssi - lence (ssss) im - mac - u - late,___ im - mac - u - late___ of

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148 *mp* *pp* *p* *cresc.*

god's e - va - sive, god's e - va - sive au - di - ble great

god's e - va - sive, god's e - va - sive au - di - ble great

god's e - va - sive, god's e - va - sive au - di - ble great,

mp *p* *cresc.*

god's au - di - ble great

poco meno ♩ = c. 72 *mp* *p*

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rose, rose!

rose, rose!

ah rose!

rose, rose!

poco meno ♩ = c. 72