

Daniel Elder

Ballade to the Moon

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Text by composer

Daniel Elder

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Piano

Adagio Misterioso

On moon-lit night I wan-der free,

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On moon-lit night I wan-der free,

On moon-lit night I wan-der free,

p

pp

pp

p

Ped.

7

On moon-lit night I wan - der free, my mind to

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Pno.

p

pp

Ped.

11 *mf* *p* *poco allargando* *mp*

roam - on thoughts of With mid-night dark-ness bec-kon ing_ my *mp*

mf *p* *mp*

my mind to roam on thoughts of With mid-night dark-ness bec-kon ing_ my

my mind to roam on thoughts of

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Pno. *mp* *pp*



15 *a tempo* *Meno Mosso, Estinto* *pp*

heart, my heart toward mys-tic fan-ta sy_ Come_ and dream_

mp

heart, my heart toward mys-tic fan-ta sy_ Come_ and dream, Come_ and dream_ in

pp

Come_ and dream!

pp

Come *Meno Mosso, Estinto* and dream!_

Pno. *A tempo* *mp* *pp* *p* *ppp*

ped. *sim.*

21 *Tempo I^o* *mf* *f*

How beau— ti-ful, this night in June, And here, u-pon the

pp *mf* *f*

me How beau-ti-ful, this night in June, And here— u-pon the

mf *f*

How beau-ti-ful, this June And here u-pon this

mf *f*

How beau-ti-ful, this June And here u-pon this

Pno. *Tempo I^o* *p* *mf* *f* 3



26 *mp* *poco ritenuto*

vel-vet dune; I weep with joy be-neath the moon.

mp

vel-vet dune; I weep with joy be-neath the moon.

p *mp* *A tempo*

dune

dune

Pno. *poco ritenuto* *A tempo* *mp* *Red.* 3

31

And yet my feet trod

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The path lies dark before my sight And yet my feet with pure delight

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Pno.

36

on-ward through the black-ened vale be-neath the

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be - neath the star-ry sky so

be - neath the star-ry sky so

Pno.

40 *Meno Mosso Estinto*

pp sky O, share the light! *mp* These

pp sky O, share the light! *mp* These

mp bright. O share O, share thy light *mp* These

pp bright. O, share thy light *mp* These

Meno Mosso Estinto

Pno.

p *Ped.* ^



47

p woods their wea - ry wan - derer soon in awe_ and fear - ful won - der swoon *pp* I

p woods, their wea_ ry wan - derer soon in awe and fear - ful won - der swoon_ *pp* I

p woods_ their wea - ry wan-derer soon in awe and fear_ ful won - der swoon *pp* I

p woods their wea - ry wan-derer soon in awe_ and fear ful won-der swoon *pp* I

Pno.

55

weep with joy be - neath the moon

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weep with joy be - neath the moon

weep with joy be - neath the moon

Pno.

p

mp

Ped.



61

And as the dark-ened hours flee my heart beats e-ver ra-pid ly_Though hea - vy hang my eyes with

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Pno.

mp

mp

p

Poco allargando

p

Ped.

66 *poco accel.* *mf* *ff* **a tempo**

sleep my soul, my sing - ing soul

sleep my soul my sing - ing soul

sleep, my soul my sing - ing soul it

sleep, my soul my sing - ing soul

Pno. *sfz* *mp* *sfz* **Ped.** **a tempo**



70 *f* *mp*

my sing - ing soul my sing - ing soul, it cries to

my sing - ing soul, it cries to thee

sfz *f* *mp*

cries to thee it cries to thee ooh,

it cries to thee ooh,

Pno. *mp*

Meno mosso, Dolcissimo

74

p Come sing with me! Come, and sing — Come and

pp Come sing with me! (hum)

pp Come, sing with me come (hum)

pp Come, sing with me (Hum)

loco

p *pp*

Ped. — *sim...*



80

p sing — with me *pp* O, must I leave thy charms so

pp O, must I leave thy charms so

pp The twink-ling sky casts forth its tune

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pp *pp*

Pno.

84

soon? I weep with joy be - neath the

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— I weep with joy be - neath the

— I weep with joy be - neath the

Pno.



87

moon

moon

moon

moon

Pno.

pp rall e dim. al fine