

*For Giselle Wyers*

# The Rose Led Us to Our Eyes

*for SATB Chorus unaccompanied*

Mirza Ghalib (1797–1869)

Adapted by Robert Kyr

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Flowing       $\text{♩} = 60$

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Keyboard  
(for rehearsal only)

*p dolce e semplice*

The drop dies in the riv - - er

vocalise: *pp dolcissimo*

Ah

vocalise: *pp dolcissimo*

Ah

Flowing       $\text{♩} = 60$

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A *mp*

Pain goes so far, it cures it-

of its joy,

vocalise: *pp dolcissimo*

Ah

vocalise: *pp dolcissimo*

Ah

A

14

B *mp*

self. In the spring,

In the spring, af - ter the

*mp*

*mp*

Ah In the spring, af

*mp*

af -

B

20

C

heav - - y rain, \_\_\_\_\_ the cloud dis - -  
- - ter the heav - y rain, \_\_\_\_\_ the cloud  
- - ter the heav - y rain, \_\_\_\_\_ the cloud

C

26

D

*vocalise: pp dolcissimo*

Ah

ap - pears.

dis - - ap-pears: That was noth - - ing but \_\_\_\_\_

dis - - ap - pears: That was noth - - ing

D

32

**E** *dolce e semplice*  
**p** — **mp**

In \_\_ the spring, the mir - ror turns \_\_\_\_\_

*dolce e semplice*  
**p** — **mp**

In \_\_ the spring, the mir - ror turns \_\_\_\_\_

*dolce e semplice*  
**p** — **mp**

In \_\_ the spring, the

tears. \_\_\_\_\_

*dolce e semplice*  
**p** — **mp**

In \_\_ the spring, the

but \_\_\_\_ tears. \_\_\_\_\_

**E**

38

**F** *mf* —

green. \_\_\_\_\_

*mf* —

Change, \_\_\_\_ the

green, Hold ing a mir - a - cle. Change, \_\_\_\_ the

*mf* —

green, Hold-ing a mir - a - cle. Change, \_\_\_\_

*mf* —

mir - ror turns \_\_\_\_ green, \_\_\_\_ Hold - ing a mir - a - cle. Change, \_\_\_\_

**F**

44 *f* — *mf* shin - ing wind. *G* *mp* — *mf* — *mp* — Change, the

*f* — *mf* shin - ing wind. *mp* — Change,

*f* — *mp* the shin - ing wind. *mp* —

*f* — *mp* the shin - ing wind. *mp* — Change, —

50 — *p* shin - ing wind. *H* *mp* — *mf* The — rose —

*mf* — *mp* — *p* — *mp* — *mf* — The — rose —

*mf* — *mp* — *p* — The —

*mf* — *mp* — *p* — the shin - ing wind. *H*

56

led us to our eyes, —  
led us to our eyes, —  
rose led us to our eyes,  
Led us to our eyes, —

**I** 62 sub. **pp** cresc. — (p) — (mp) — **mf** dim. — (mp) — (p) — *molto rit.*

Let what - ev - er is  
Let what - ev - er is  
Let what - ev - er is  
Let what - ev - er is

Let what - ev - er is  
**I** Let what - ev - er is *molto rit.*

(rit.)

**68** **pp** **Nearly motionless**  $\text{dolcissimo}$   $\text{J} \text{ ppp}$   $\text{molto lunga}$  **(Hold the silence for at least 8")** **c. 8"**

be O \_\_\_\_\_

be o - pen - (n).  $\text{molto lunga}$  **c. 8"**

be o - - pen - (n).  $\text{molto lunga}$  **c. 8"**

be o - - pen.  $\text{molto lunga}$  **c. 8"**

**(rit.)** **J** **Nearly motionless**  $\text{c. 38}$   $\text{molto lunga}$  **c. 8"**

be o - - pen.  $\text{molto lunga}$  **c. 8"**

be o - - pen.  $\text{molto lunga}$  **c. 8"**

\* Conductor moves his or her left hand very gradually in front of the tenors and then altos. When the hand passes in front of each singer, he or she should sing for 3–5 seconds more, as he or she fades to *niente*, and then remains motionless in silence.

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### TEXT

The drop dies in the river of its joy.

Pain goes so far, it cures itself.

In the spring, after the heavy rain,

The cloud disappears:

That was nothing but tears.

In the spring, the mirror turns green,

Holding a miracle.

Change, the shining wind.

The rose led us to our eyes,

Let whatever is be open.

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