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The Deepness of the Blue

for SATB Chorus and Piano Four-hands

Langston Hughes
(1902-1967)

William Averitt

2. My Loves

Broadly, warmly ♩ = 60

p *mp* *mp*

Soprano Alto

I love to see the big white moon,

Tenor Bass

p *mp* *mp*

Broadly, warmly ♩ = 60

Note the clef!

mp

Piano 1

Broadly, warmly ♩ = 60

p *mp* *p* *mp*

Piano 2

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SA 17 *p* by. I love the rain *p unis.*

TB *p* *p unis.*

Pno. 1 17 8 *p* *mp* *mf*

Pno. 2 17 *p* *mp* *mf*

SA 22 *mp* *mp* *mp div.* *mf* drops fall - ing On my roof - top in the

TB *mp* *mp* *mp div.* *mf*

Pno. 1 22 8 *p* *mp* *p* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Pno. 2 22 *p* *mp* *p* *mf*

The musical score is for a piece titled '2. My Loves' on page 13. It features four staves: SA (Soprano Alto), TB (Tenor Bass), Pno. 1 (Piano 1), and Pno. 2 (Piano 2). The key signature has one sharp (F#). The score is divided into two systems. The first system starts at measure 17. The SA and TB staves have vocal lines with lyrics: 'by. I love the rain'. The piano accompaniment (Pno. 1 and Pno. 2) features arpeggiated chords and moving lines. Dynamics include *p* (piano), *mp* (mezzo-piano), and *mf* (mezzo-forte). The second system starts at measure 22. The SA and TB staves have lyrics: 'drops fall - ing On my roof - top in the'. The piano accompaniment continues with similar textures. Dynamics include *mp*, *mp div.* (diviso), *p*, and *mf*. A large 'Copyrighted material' watermark is overlaid diagonally across the page.

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SA

TB

Pno. 1

Pno. 2

mf

f

I love the deep

38

42

SA

TB

Pno. 1

Pno. 2

mf

mp

ff

ness of the blue

In my Lord's

div.

unis.

mf

mp

ff

mf

mp

ff

SA 56 *p* *unis.* *mp* *mf*
— think, I love, — I love, — I love — my la — — — dy

TB 56 *p* *mp* *mf*

Pno. 1 56 *p* *mf*

Pno. 2 56 *p* *mp* *mf*

SA 61 *f* *div.* *rit.* *a tempo* *p* *unis.* *rit.* *pp*
love. —

TB 61 *f* *rit.* *a tempo* *rit.* *pp*

Pno. 1 61 *f* *rit.* *a tempo* *rit.* *pp*

Pno. 2 61 *f* *rit.* *a tempo* *rit.* *pp*