

S (A) (T) (B)
(Piano)34. The Gartan Mother's
LullabySeosamh MacCathmhaoil
(1879–1944)Trad. Irish
arr. ALAN BULLARD (b. 1947)

SOPRANO (SOLO or TUTTI)

Sleep, O babe, for the

Always calm $\text{♩} = c.60$ SOPRANO
ALTO

pp *poco* *pp* *poco* *p*

ah ah ah

TENOR
BASS

pp *poco* *pp* *poco* *p*

PIANO

pp *poco* *pp* *poco* *p*

una corda sempre

red bee hums The si - lent twi - light's fall._____

Ee - val* from the

mp *mp* *mp*

ah

* *Eeval* (*Aoibheall*) = the Queen of the Northern Fairies

Unison: sing Soprano at any octave, with piano

Two-part: SA, with piano

Mixed voices: SAT, with piano (but optionally omitting piano where marked), or SATB, with or without piano

Gartan is a village in County Donegal, Ireland. The text was written by the poet Joseph Campbell under his pen-name Seosamh MacCathmhaoil.

10 Grey Rock comes To wrap the world in thrall._____

(TUTTI)

A lyan van*o, my
mf gently

mf gently
ah
ah
mf gently

mf gently
ah

mf gently

14 child, my joy, My love and heart's de - sire,_____ The cric - kets sing you lul-la - by Be-

mp
mp
ah

ah mp ah

mp
ah

mp

* lyan van (leanbhan) = baby

19 *p* -side the dy - ing fire. *rit.*

pp

ah *ah*

p *pp*

pp *rit.*

24 *a tempo* *p*

Dusk is drawn, and the Green Man's thorn is wreathed in rings of fog;

rings, is wreathed in rings of

p rings, is wreathed in rings of

a tempo **p*

* For SAT or SATB performance, the accompaniment may be omitted until bar 32.

28

star - ry bog. *mp*

Shee - vra* sails_ his boat till morn Up - on the star - ry, star - ry bog. *A*

fog; Shee - vra* sails_ his boat Up - on the star - ry bog. *mp*

32

lyan van o, the pa - ly moon Hath brimmed her cusp in dew, And
dew, And weeps, and

dew, And

p

36

p

weeps to hear the sad sleep-tune I sing, O love, to you.

p

* Sheevra (Siab(h)ra) = an elf

SOPRANO (SOLO or TUTTI)

Sleep, O babe, for the red bee hums The si - lent twi-light's

41

pp *poco* *p*

pp *poco* *p*

pp *poco* *p*

fall. _____ Ee - val from the Grey Rock comes To wrap the world in

46

mp

mp

mp

50 thrall. **(TUTTI)** *mf richly*

A lyan van o, — my child, my joy, — My love_ and heart's de-

mf richly

mf richly

54 *p*

-sire, The cric - kets sing_ you lul - la - by — Be -

p

dim. *p*

57 *pp* *rit.* *ppp*

-side the dy - ing fire. ah mm

pp *rit.* *ppp*

pp *ppp*