

sleep

Music by Katie Kring

Text by Steven Smallwood

ABOUT THIS PIECE

“sleep” started out as an impressionistic, stream of consciousness poem by my friend Steven that he wrote on Facebook. (Weirdly, not my first piece setting a friend’s Facebook status.) Steven’s poem has a gorgeous, pastoral and lyrical quality that I have tried to capture in the musical setting.

the mountain air and the lake and the smoke and the crackling forest and the clean sleep and the crisp cover and brisk slumber and the moon and the quieting and the long one and the long two and the silence and the shifting leaves and the owl and the final scramble hoot and the first chirp and the two and reluctant three and the chorus and the dream and sun and dream and sun and dream and sun and dream and flight and becoming alive.

-- “sleep” by Steven Smallwood

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SATB *divisi*

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♩ = 72 *mp*

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Piano (rehearsal only)

the moun - tain air and the lake and the smoke and the

p sleep sleep — sleep sleep

p sleep sleep — sleep sleep

p sleep sleep — sleep sleep

♩ = 72

5

S

A

T

B

Pno.

crack-ling for-est and the clean sleep — sleep — and

sleep — sleep the moun-tain air sleep — and

sleep — sleep — the lake the — smoke and the crack-ling for-est and

sleep — sleep — sleep — and

5

2
10

S
clean sleep hoo - oo hoo - oo Ah

A
clean sleep sleep sleep the moun - tain air and the

T
clean sleep sleep sleep the moun - tain air and the

B
clean sleep sleep the sleep

Pno.

sleep

p *mp* *p*

15

S
Ah
for - est clean sleep and the crisp cov - er and the

A
lake and the smoke and the crack - ling for - est and the clean sleep and the crisp cov - er and the

T
lake and the smoke and the crack - ling for - est and the clean sleep crisp cov - er and the

B
sleep sleep sleep crisp cov - er and the

Pno.

15

19

S
A
T
B

brisk slum-ber and the moon the moon the moon and the

brisk slum-ber and the moon the moon the moon and the

brisk slum-ber and the moon the moon the moon and the

brisk slum-ber and the moon the moon the moon and the

Pno.

23

S
A
T
B

qui-et-ing and the long one and the long two and the si - -

qui-et-ing and the long one long two and the si

qui-et-ing long one long two si

qui-et-ing long one long two si

Pno.

4 sleep

28

S
lence hoo hoo

A
and the owl and the

T
and the owl and the

B
and the stir - ring leaves and the fin - al scam - ble hoot

Pno.

32

S
ah! ah ah! ah ah

A
first chirp sleep Sleep

T
first chirp Sleep

B
sleep sleep

Pno.

36

S Ah Ah

A sleep *mp* and the stir-ring leaves and the stir-ring leaves *mf* and the fin-al scram-ble hoot and the

T *mp* hoo oo oo and the fin-al scram-ble hoot and the

B sleep sleep

Pno. *mp* *mf*

40

S ah ah and the two and the re-luc-tant-three

A first chirp and the two and the

T first chirp and the two and the

B ah ah and the two and the

Pno. *mp* *p*

6
43

S
A
T
B

mf *accl. poco a poco* *sleep*

and the chor - us and the dream and sun and dream and sun and
 three and the chor - us and the dream and sun dream and sun
 three chor - us and the dream and sun dream and sun
 three and the dream and sun and

Pno.

43 *accl. poco a poco*

S
A
T
B

Lento
p

dream and sun and dream and flight and be - com - ing a - live.
 dream and sun dream and flight and be - com - ing a - live.
 dream and sun dream and flight and be - com - ing a - live.
 dream and sun and dream and flight and be - com - ing a - live.

Pno.

47 *Lento*