



Hymn to Cynthia

Berthold Tours
(1838-1897)

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B. Tours

Lento, ma non troppo $\text{♩} = 63$

Soprano (S): Queen and hunt - ress, chaste and fair, Now the sun is laid to
 Alto (A): Queen and hunt - ress, chaste and fair, Now the sun is laid to
 Tenor (T): Queen and hunt - ress, chaste and fair, Now the sun is laid to
 Bass (B): Queen and hunt - ress, chaste and fair, Now the sun is laid to

Soprano (S): sleep, Seat - ed in thy sil - ver chair
 Alto (A): sleep, Seat - ed in thy sil - ver chair
 Tenor (T): sleep, Seat - ed in thy sil - ver chair
 Bass (B): sleep, Seat - ed in thy sil - ver chair

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Soprano (S): State in wont-ed man-ner keep: Hes-per-us en-
Alto (A): State in wont-ed man-ner keep: Hes-per-us en-
Tenor (T): State in wont-ed man-ner keep: Hes-per-us en-
Bass (B): State in wont-ed man-ner keep: Hes-per-us en-treats ____
Bass (B) continues: thy light, en-

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S ex - cel-lent - ly bright! ex - cel-lent - ly bright!

A ex - cel-lent - ly bright! ex - cel-lent - ly bright!

T ex - cel-lent - ly bright! ex - cel-lent - ly bright!

B ex - cel-lent - ly bright! ex - cel-lent - ly bright!

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Poco più animato

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Soprano (S): Earth, let not thy en - vious shade
Alto (A): Earth, let not thy en - vious shade
Tenor (T): Earth, let not thy shade
Bass (B): Earth, let not thy en - vious shade — Dare it - self to in - ter -

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Soprano (S): pose;——— Cyn - thia's shin - ing
Alto (A): in - ter - pose;——— Cyn - thia's shin - ing, shin - ing orb was made, was made
Tenor (T): pose;——— Cyn - - thia's shin - ing orb was made, was made
Bass (B): Cyn - - thia's shin - ing orb was made

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Soprano (S): Heav'n to cheer, when day did close:
Alto (A): Bless us, then, with wish - ed
Tenor (T): Heav'n to cheer, when day did close:
Bass (B): Bless us, then, with wish - ed

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S sight, God - - - dess, God - - dess

A sight, bless us, then, with sight, bless us, God - - dess

T sight, God - - - dess, God - - dess

B sight, bless us, then, with sight, bless us, God - - dess

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Soprano (S): ex - cel-lent - ly bright! Lay thy bow, thy bow of pearl a-part,
 Alto (A): ex - cel-lent - ly bright! Lay thy bow of pearl a-part,
 Tenor (T): ex - cel-lent - ly bright! rit.
 Bass (B): ex - cel-lent - ly bright! thy bow of
 rit.

Tempo 1

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Soprano (S) vocal line:

A (Alto) vocal line:

Tenor (T) vocal line:

Bass (B) vocal line:

Lay thy bow of pearl a - part And thy crys - tal shin - ing

Lay thy bow of pearl a - part And thy crys - tal shin - ing

pearl, thy bow of pearl a - part And thy crys - tal shin - ing

Lay thy bow of pearl a - part _____ And thy crys - tal shin - ing

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S quiv - er; Give un - to thy fly - ing hart

A quiv - er; Give un - to thy fly - ing hart

T quiv - er; Give un - to thy fly - ing hart

B quiv - er; Give un - to thy fly - ing hart

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S Space to breathe, how short so - ev - er: Thou that mak'st a

A Space to breathe, how short so - ev - er: Thou that

T Space to breathe, how short so - ev - er: Thou that mak'st a day

B Space to breathe, how short so - ev - er: Thou that mak'st a day of night, a

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S day of night, God - dess ex - cel - lent - ly bright!

A mak'st a day of night, God - dess ex - cel - lent - ly bright!

T of night, God - dess ex - cel - lent - ly bright!

B day of night, God - dess ex - cel - lent - ly bright!

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Soprano (S) Alto (A) Tenor (T) Bass (B)

ex - cel-lent - ly bright! ex - cel-lent - ly bright!

cresc.

f rit.

pp

ex - cel-lent - ly bright! ex - cel-lent - ly bright!

cresc.

f rit.

pp

ex - cel-lent - ly bright! ex - cel-lent - ly bright!

cresc.

f rit.

pp

ex - cel-lent - ly bright! ex - cel-lent - ly bright!

cresc.

f rit.

pp

ex - cel-lent - ly bright! ex - cel-lent - ly bright!

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Berthold Tours (1838-1897) was born in Rotterdam, the Netherlands, son of organist Barthélemy Tours. He studied under his father, then at the Conservatoires of Brussels and Leipzig. He accompanied Prince George Galitzin to Russia and remained there for two years. He moved to London where he composed, taught violin and played with various orchestras including the Royal Italian Opera. He was organist of the Swiss Church, Holborn and in 1878 he became a musical adviser and editor with Novello and Company. With Novello, he arranged several works from the orchestral scores, including Beethoven's Mass in C, four of Schubert's Masses, Mendelssohn's Elijah, and Gounod's Redemption. His compositions include works for the piano and other instruments, and a large number of songs and part-songs. He also composed hymn tunes, anthems and services for the Anglican Church. He died in London.

Queen and huntress, chaste and fair,
Now the sun is laid to sleep,
Seated in thy silver chair
State in wonted manner keep:
Hesperus entreats thy light,
Goddess excellently bright!

Earth, let not thy envious shade
Dare itself to interpose;
Cynthia's shining orb was made
Heaven to cheer, when day did close:
Bless us, then, with wished sight,
Goddess, excellently bright!

Lay thy bow of pearl apart
And thy crystal shining quiver;
Give unto thy flying hart
Space to breathe, how short so-ever:
Thou that mak'st a day of night,
Goddess, excellently bright!

Ben Jonson (1572-1637)

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