

LET BEAUTY AWAKE!

SSA, accompanied

Music by
L. FARRELL

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Accompaniment Track on BLCD0T22
Full Version Vocal Demo on BLCD0V22

Range:	Descant (opt.)	d - g'
	SI	c - e' (g')
	SII	b♭ - d'
	A	b♭ - d'

Language: English

Use: General, contest/festival

Time: Approx. 3:17

*Difficulty: Moderate

Performance Notes

Let Beauty Awake was written by Scottish poet Robert Louis Stevenson (1850-1894). This poem was published in 1896 in a collection of poems called *Songs of Travel and Other Verses*.

Let Beauty awake in the morn from beautiful dreams,
Beauty awake from rest!
Let Beauty awake
For Beauty's sake
In the hour when the birds awake in the brake
And the stars are bright in the west!

Let Beauty awake in the eve from the slumber of day,
Awake in the crimson eve!
In the day's dusk end
When the shades ascend,
Let her wake to the kiss of a tender friend
To render again and receive!

This piece should be performed with great energy and a lilting downbeat emphasis in each of the chorus sections. Contrast can be created by performing the verses more *legato*. A louder dynamic level and full tone from measure 88 to the end will add excitement to the ending.

*commissioned by the Willow Wood Junior High Varsity Treble Choir, Shery Miller, director,
for their February 2008 Texas Music Educator Association convention performance
and in honor of the life of Brian Busch and his contribution to the art of middle school choral music*

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*Based on a text by
ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON*

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The musical score consists of three staves: Soprano (S), Alto (A), and Bass (B). The vocal parts are in common time with a key signature of one flat. The piano accompaniment is in common time with a key signature of one flat. The vocal parts begin with a dynamic of *p*. The piano accompaniment features sustained notes and chords. The vocal parts sing "Let beauty awake, —" followed by "Let beauty awake to". The piano accompaniment includes a section where the bass and piano play eighth-note patterns.

morn from beau - ti - ful dreams!

Beau - ty a - wake in the morn from dreams! And

[20]

div. a 3

Let beau - ty wake for Beau - ty's sake, Let beau - ty a -

Let beau - ty wake for beau - ty's sake, Let beau - ty a -

A
let beau - ty wake for beau - ty's sake, Let beau - ty a -

[20]

(b)

(b)

(b)

wake _ to sing!

wake to sing!

wake to sing!

[28] *mp* When birds a - wake, and in their

mp When birds a - wake, and in their

mp When birds a - wake, and in their

[28] *mp*

[32]

sing - ing Sweet mu - sic re - sounds at the

sing - ing Sweet mu - sic re - sounds at the

sing - ing Sweet mu - sic re - sounds at the

[32]

[36]

dawn, Let beau - ty a - wake in the

dawn, at the dawn, Let beau - ty a - wake in the

dawn, at the dawn, Let beau - ty a - wake in the

[36]

[40]

co - lors of morn - ing, Let beau - ty a -

co - lors of morn - ing, Let beau - ty a -

co - lors of morn - ing, Let beau - ty a -

co - lors of morn - ing, Let beau - ty a -

[40]

wake ____ with a song!

wake with a song!

wake with a song! Oh, sing a

[44] *div. a 2* *mf*

Beau - ty a - wake at the dawn from glo - ri - ous
mf
song!

[44]

rest! Beau - ty a - wake in the
Beau - ty a - wake at the dawn from glo - ri - ous rest!

[48]

morn from beau - ti - ful dreams! Beau - ty a - wake in the morn from dreams!_ And

[52]

div. a 3

Let beau - ty wake for beau - ty's sake, Let beau - ty a - wake_ to

Let beau - ty wake_ for beau - ty's sake, Let beau - ty a - wake to___

let beau - ty wake for beau - ty's sake, Let beau - ty a - wake to

[56]

poco rit.

sing! _____

poco rit.

sing! _____

poco rit.

sing! _____

[56]

poco rit.

60 *slightly slower, more rubato*
mp *3*

At last at the dusk,
slightly slower, more rubato *mp*
And at the dusk, when sleeps the
slightly slower, more rubato *mp*
And at the dusk, when sleeps the
60 *mp slightly slower, more rubato* *3*

64 *3*

gold - den day, A - wake in the slum - b'ring crim - son
3
gold - en day, A - wake in the slum - b'ring crim - son
3
gold - en day, A - wake in the slum - b'ring crim - son
64 *3*

[68]

eve! In the day's dusk
eve, crim - son eve! In the day's dusk
eve, crim - son eve! In the day's dusk

p

end When the night de - scends,
end When the night de - scends,
end When the night de - scends,

72

cresc. *3* *accel. poco a poco*

Let beau - ty a - wake as to the kiss of a friend To

cresc. *3* *accel. poco a poco*

Let beau - ty a - wake as to the kiss of a friend To

cresc. *3* *accel. poco a poco*

Let beau - ty a - wake as to the kiss of a friend To

72

cresc. *3* *accel. poco a poco*

76

p *3* _____

ren - der a - gain and to re - ceive!

3 _____

ren - der a - gain and to re - ceive!

3 _____

ren - der a - gain and to re - ceive!

76

3 _____

Tempo I
[80] *f* (opt. descant)

Beau - ty a - wake at the dawn from glo - ri - ous

Tempo I
[80] *f*

wake at the dawn, and beau -

rest!

Beau - ty a - wake in the

Beau - ty a - wake at the dawn from glo - ri - ous rest!

(end opt. descant)

ty a - wake from dreams!

morn from beau - ti - ful dreams!

Beau - ty a - wake in the morn from dreams!_ And

[88]

Let beau - ty wake for beau - ty's sake,

Let beau - ty a -

Let beau - ty wake for beau - ty's sake,

Let beau - ty a -

let beau - ty wake for beau - ty's sake,

Let beau - ty a -

[89]

91

wake to sing! Beau - ty a -

wake to sing! Beau - ty a -

wake to sing! Beau - ty a -

91

wake! Beau - ty sing!

wake! Beau - ty sing!

wake! Beau - ty sing!

95

wake! Beau - ty sing!

wake! Beau - ty sing!

wake! Beau - ty sing!

95

sing!

