

The TTBB version of this piece was commissioned by Cantabile Men's Chorus, Kingston, Ontario, Mark Sirett, Director

I am not yours

for SSAA Chorus unaccompanied

Sara Teasdale (1884–1933)

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Freely ♩ = 88

Soprano 1
Soprano 2

I am not yours, not lost in you, Not lost, al- tho' I long to be _____

Alto 1
Alto 2

Lost as a can- dle lit at noon, Lost as a snow - flake in the sea, _ in ___ the sea.

Faster ♩ = 92

You ___ love me, and I find you still A spir - it beau - ti - ful and bright, ___ Yet I am

p *cresc.* *mp* *pp* **** *cresc.* *mp* *pp*

p *cresc.* *poco mf* *p* *cresc.* *mp* *poco rit.* *p* *Slower* ♩ = 80

p *cresc.* *poco mf* *p* *cresc.* *mp* *p*

mp *cresc.* **** *mf* *sonorous* *stagger breathing* *p* *cresc.*

mp *cresc.* *mf* *sonorous* *stagger breathing* *p* *cresc.*

* Conductor: Use chant conducting technique.

♩ = no meter.

** Caesura; no breath.

*** Alto 2: *Ossia* C# if necessary, or *divisi*.

mp * *p cresc.* *mp* *poco rit.* *p* **Slower** ♩ = 80 *pp* *poco rit.*

I, who long to be Lost as a light is lost in light, lost _ in light, lost _ in light.

mp *p cresc.* *mp* *p* *pp*

Faster ♩ = 88 *mp* *p cresc.* *mp* *pp* *p cresc.*

Oh plunge me deep in love— put out My senses, leave me deaf and blind, — Swept by the

mp *p cresc.* *mp* *pp* *p cresc.*

poco mf *p cresc.* *mp* *poco rit.* *p* **Slower** ♩ = 80

tem-pest of your love, A ta-per in a rush-ing wind. I am not yours,

poco mf *p cresc.* *mp* *p*

Slower ♩ = 72 *pp* *poco p* *pp* *rit.*

not lost in you, I am not yours, I am not yours.

pp *poco p* *pp*

* Soprano 1: High A may be omitted if necessary.

** Alto 2: *Ossia* C# if necessary, or *divisi*.

*** Caesura; no breath.

**** Alto 2: Optional low E, *divisi*.