

Shall I compare thee to a summer's day

2417

from "O, Mistress mine"

Can also be performed
in Eb-minor.

Words: W. Shakespeare
Music & Arr: Nils Lindberg

Slowly

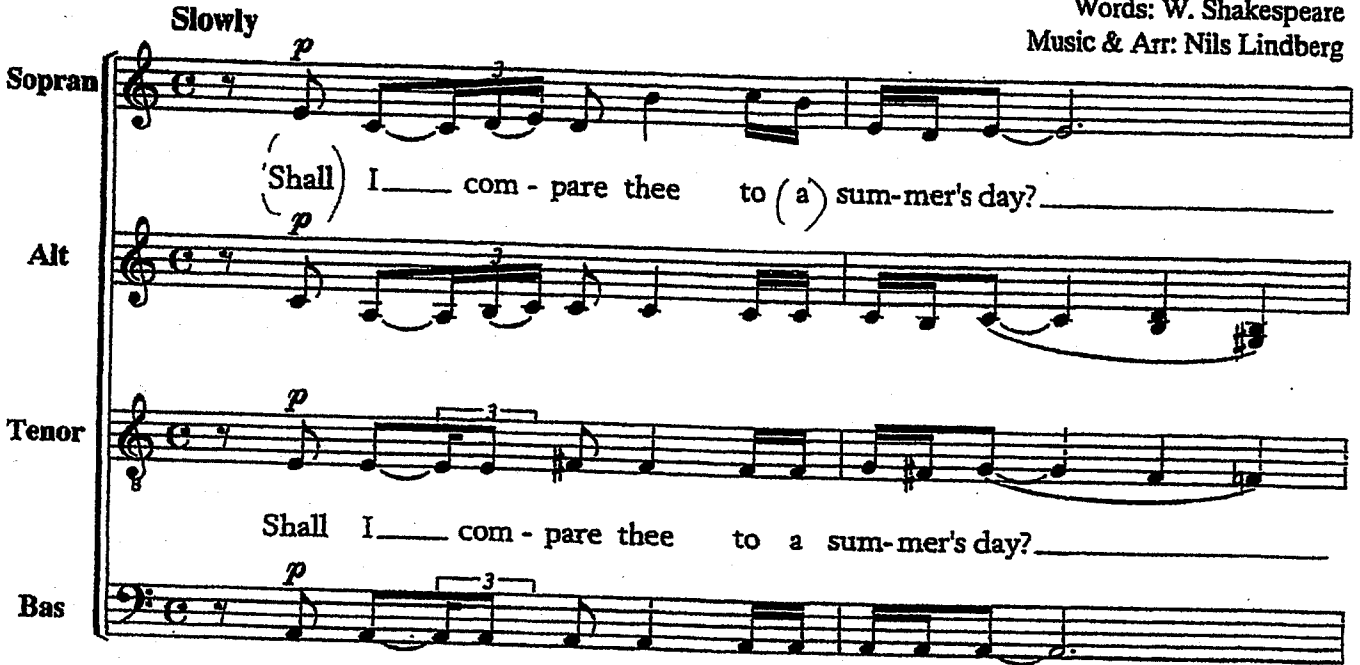
p

Sopran
(Shall) I ___ com - pare thee to (a) sum - mer's day? _____

Alt
p

Tenor
p

Bas
p



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S
mf

Thou art (more) love - ly (and more) tem - pe - rate: Rough winds do shake ___ the ___

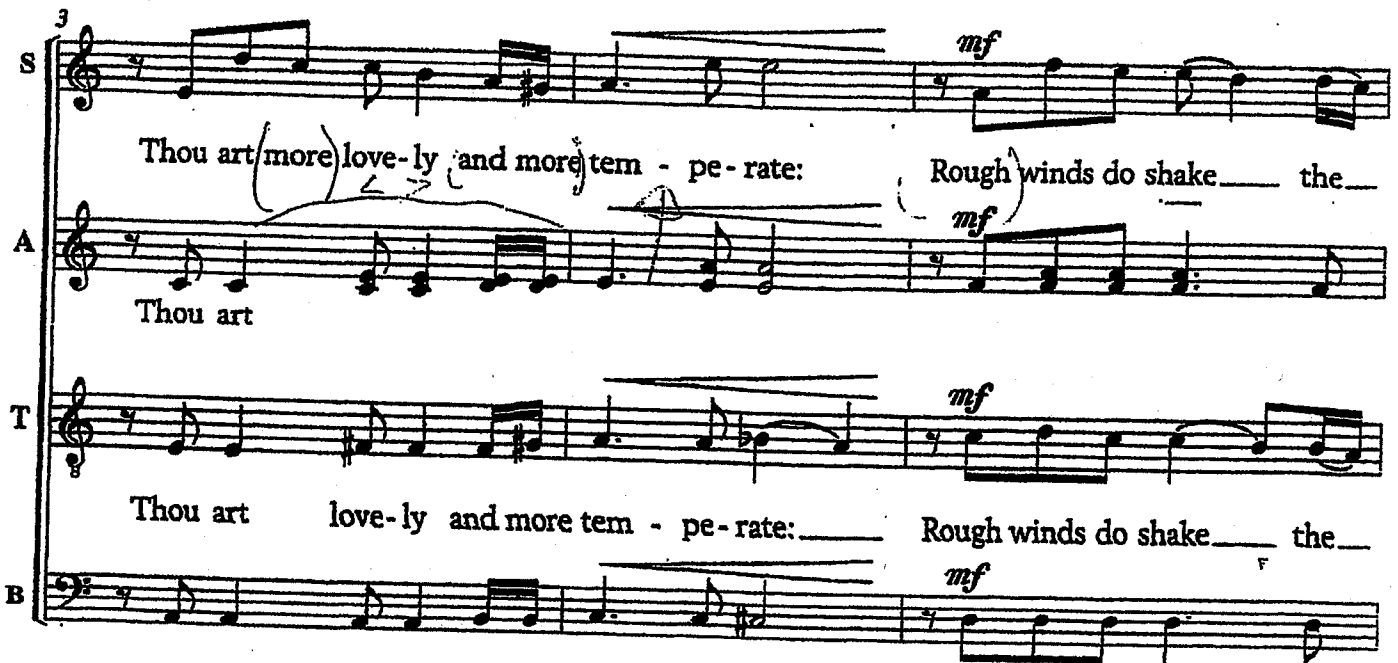
A
mf

Thou art

T
mf

Thou art love - ly and more tem - pe - rate: ___ Rough winds do shake ___ the ___

B
mf



6

S dar-ling buds of May, And sum - mer's lease hath all too short a date:

A

T dar-ling buds of May, And sum - mer's lease hath all too short a date:

B

9

S *p* Some-times too hot the eye of heav-en shines, *mf* And of-ten is his gold com-

A *p* *a* *mf* *z*

T *p* *mf*

B *p* *mf*

Some-times too hot the eye of heav-en shines, And of-ten is his gold com-
and of-ten

3

12

S
-plex - ion dimm'd And eve - ry fair _____ from fair some-time de-clines, By _____

A

T
-plex - ion dimm'd _____ And eve - ry fair _____ from fair some-time de-clines, By _____

B

15

S
chance _____ or na - ture's chang-ing course un-trimm'd: _____ But thy e - ter-nal *mf*

A
mf

T
chance or na - ture's chang-ing course un-trimm'd: _____ But thy e - ter-nal *mf*

B
mf

4

18

S
A
T
B

sum-mer shall not fade Nor lose pos-ses-sion of that fair thou owe'st, *pp*

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21

S
A
T
B

Nor shall Death brag thou wan-ders't in his shade, When in e-ter-nal lines to

Nor shall Death brag thou wan-ders't in his shade, When in e-ter-nal lines to

5

4

24 *cresc.* *ff*

S time thou grow'st; So long as men can breathe or eyes can see, So

A *cresc.* *ff*

T *cresc.* *ff*

B *cresc.* *ff*

time thou grow'st; So long as men can breathe or eyes can see, So

27 *rit.* *p*

S long lives this and this gives life to thee. Life to thee.

A *rit.* *p*

T *rit.* *p*

B *rit.* *p*

long lives this and this gives life to thee. Life to thee.