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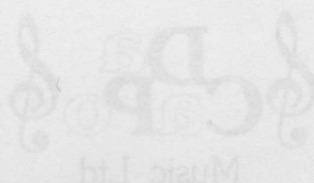

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Duration : Approx. 10 mins.

Margaret Wegener was born in 1920 at Hendon in north London. She studied at the Maria Grey College and has composed many hymns, anthems and larger choral works with orchestra as well as music for schools, solo songs and instrumental music. Among a number of posts held as a teacher of music were those of Director of Music at Barton Court School, Canterbury, and Ellington Girls School, Ramsgate. Now retired from teaching, she devotes her time to composition and training a number of local choirs in addition to that of St. Ffraid at Glyn Ceiriog, where she is organist.

Please feel free to use these biographical and programme notes in your concert programmes.



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1. When I Am Dead, My Dearest (Song)

♩ = 63-66

Soprano

1

p

When I am dead, my

Piano

p

5

dear - est, Sing no sad songs for me; Plant thou no ro - ses at my

8

ritardando *più vivo* *f*

head, nor sha - dy cy - press tree: Be the green grass a - bove me with

ritardando

tempo primo

p

mf

pp

12

show-ers and dew - drops wet:

And if thou wilt, re - mem-ber, And if thou

16

wilt, for - get.

20

I shall not see the sha - dows, I shall not

23

feel the rain; I shall not hear the night - in-gale sing on as if in pain: And

poco più vivo *poco rit.* *tempo primo*

27

dream-ing through the twi-light That doth not - rise nor set, Hap-ly I may re-

ritardando *allargando* *morendo*

32

mem-ber, And hap - ly may for - get.

2. Remember

♩ = 66

Soprano

1 *p*

Re - mem - ber me when I am

Piano

p
legato

5

gone a-way, Gone far a-way in-to the si - lent land; When you can no more hold me by the

3

10 *mf* *pp* *mp*

hand, Nor I half turn to go, — yet turn - ing stay. Re - mem - ber me when no

mf *pp* *mp*

15

more day by day you tell me— of the fu-ture that you planned; On-ly re-mem-ber me.

19 *p parlando* *mf*

You un-der-stand it will be late to coun-sel then or pray.— Yet if you should for-get me—

24 *allargando* *f*

— for a while, And af-ter-wards re-mem-ber, Do not grieve:—

a tempo

28

p

But if the dark-ness and cor-ruption leave a ves-tige of the thoughts that once I

allargando

32

f $\overbrace{\quad\quad\quad}^3$

had,

Bet-ter by far — you should for-get

and smile,

rit.

36

p

— Than that you should re - mem-ber and be sad. —

3. "Echo"

Dreamlike ♩ = 60

Soprano

1 *p*

Come to me in the si-lence of the night; ————— Come in the

Piano

p

5 *mp* *c-r-e-s-c*

speaking si-lence ————— of a dream; ————— Come with soft roun - ded cheeks and

legato *mp* *c-r-e-s-c*

9 *f*

eyes as bright As sun light on a

f

11

stream; *p*

Come back in tears, O mem - ory,

14

mf *pp* *teneramente*

hope, love of fin - ished years. ——— O dream, how sweet,

mp *poco più vivo*

19

too sweet, too bit - ter sweet, Whose wak - ing should have been in

a tempo

22

Pa - ra - dise, ——— Where souls brim - full of love a - bide and meet; Where thir - sty long - ing eyes — watch the

26

slow door That ope - ning, let - ting in, lets out no more.

31

Yet come to me in dreams, that I may live My ve - ry life a - gain ——— though

35 rit. len. a tempo p

cold in death. Come back to me in

39 cresc. 3 f pp p

dreams, — that I may give Pulse for pulse, breath for breath: Speak low,

43 rit. poco più vivo morendo

lean low, As long a-go, my love, how long a-go!



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