

Snorri Sigfús Birgisson:
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To Magdalena Maria Kronenberg-Seweryn

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1. Engar vorsins óskir duga

1. A Wish in Vain

Íslenskar stemmur / Icelandic folk songs.

Útsetning / Arrangement: Snorri Sigfús Birgisson (2018)

Heimildarmaður / Source: Þorbjörn Kristinsson (1921-2001);

uppruni / origin: Miðsitja, Blönduhlíð, Skagafjarðarsýsla; heimili / home: Akureyri.

$\text{♩} = \text{c. } 60$

The first system of music is in 3/2 time, key of D major. It features a piano introduction with the marking *p dolce*. The melody is simple and folk-like, consisting of a series of chords and single notes.

The second system begins at measure 7. The tempo marking changes to *poco Cantabile*. The melody becomes more melodic with slurs. The time signature changes to 6/4 at the end of the system.

The third system begins at measure 11. The melody continues with slurs and grace notes. The time signature changes to 3/4, then 2/4, and finally 6/4.

The fourth system begins at measure 15. The melody concludes with a final flourish. The time signature changes to 6/4, then 3/4, and finally 2/4.

19

20

21

22

(pochiss. ten.)

23

24

26

27

28

29

30

(pochiss. ten.)

31

32

33

34

pp

35

36

37

2. Þig ég unga þekkti best

2. I Knew You Then

Íslenskt þjóðlag / Icelandic folk song.

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Heimildarmenn / Sources:

Jónbjörn Gíslason (1879-1969);

uppruni / origin: Strjúgssel, A-Hún; heimili / home: Winnipeg.

Júdítt Jónbjörnsdóttir (1906-1995);

uppruni / origin: Kaldakinn, A-Hún; heimili / home: Akureyri (1945-1995).

Un poco sostenuto

♩ = c.66

15 (pochiss. ten.) poco rall.

f

18 A tempo rit. (ten.)

p *pp*

21 A tempo

p cantabile

24 (pochiss. ten.) poco rall.

f

27 A tempo

p *pp*

3. Oddur horfir í ljós

3. Gazing into Light

Íslensk barnagæla / Icelandic Nursery Rhyme
 Útsetning / Arrangement: Snorri Sigfús Birgisson (2018).

Heimildarmaður / Source: Kristján Árnason (1880-1970);
 uppruni / origin: Lón í Kelduhverfi; heimili / home: Akureyri.

♩ = c.60

Cantabile

pp

p

(Con Ped.)

6

12

17

pp

23 *Cantabile*

29

34 *pochiss. rit.*

38 *A tempo* *poco rit.*

42 (ten.) *pp*

4. Lítil

4. *Petite* as Always

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Liberamente, quasi improvvisando

♩ = c. 92

rall.

A tempo

esitante

4

7

9

rall.

A tempo

rall. . . .

12

A tempo

esitante

15

(pochiss. rall.)

(A tempo)

18

(pochiss. rall.)

(A tempo)

21

(pochiss. rall.)

(A tempo)

24

28 *rall.* *A tempo*

in rilievo

32 *(cantabile)*

poco cresc. *mf*

36

mp in rilievo

40 *(cantabile)*

poco cresc. *mf*

45

48

poco
sim.

poco rall. (ten.) *rall.* *A tempo*

52

pp

56

poco cresc.
(molto espressivo)

60

poco rall. *Calmo*

64