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— GABRIEL JACKSON —

Our flags are wafting in hope and grief

# Our flags are wafting in hope and grief

Doris Kareva (b.1958), trans. Miriam McIlpatrick

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Slow  $\text{♩} = c. 60$

The musical score consists of four staves: Soprano (G clef), Alto (C clef), Tenor (F clef), and Bass (Bass clef). The key signature is A major (three sharps). The time signature is common time (indicated by a '4'). The vocal parts enter one by one in quick succession, as indicated by the instruction "Enter one by one, in quick succession, and repeat *ad lib.*, independently of the conductor and each other". The vocal parts sing the lyrics "Flags waft - ing," followed by "our flags are". The Alto part has a dynamic marking of *p* (piano) and includes a sixteenth-note run. The Tenor and Bass parts also have *p* markings and sustained notes. The vocal parts are written in a mix of short note values (eighth and sixteenth notes) and longer note values (quarter and half notes).

The continuation of the musical score begins with a repeat sign and measure number 4. The vocal parts sing the lyrics "Flags are waft - ing," followed by "our flags are". The Alto part has a dynamic marking of *mp* (mezzo-forte) and includes a sixteenth-note run. The Tenor and Bass parts also have *mp* markings and sustained notes. The vocal parts are written in a mix of short note values (eighth and sixteenth notes) and longer note values (quarter and half notes). The vocal parts enter one by one in quick succession, as indicated by the instruction "Enter one by one, in quick succession, and repeat *ad lib.*, independently of the conductor and each other". The Alto part has a dynamic marking of *p* (piano) and includes a sixteenth-note run. The Tenor and Bass parts also have *p* markings and sustained notes. The vocal parts are written in a mix of short note values (eighth and sixteenth notes) and longer note values (quarter and half notes).

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Duration: 5'

8

waft - - ing, are waft - - ing in hope, in

waft - - ing, our flags are waft - - ing, our flags are

waft - - ing, our flags are waft - - ing, our flags are

12

hope and grief,

At the conductor's signal, finish the bar you are singing and hold the last note to the barline

(-ing,) through tur-moil we are si - - lent

waft - - ing, through tur-moil we are si - - lent

waft - - ing, through tur-moil we are si - - lent

17

A

Enter together, and repeat *ad lib.*, independently of the conductor and each other

and stern.

Flags waft - - ing,

and stern.

Our flags are

Wa - ftинг.

A

21

mo - - - ment has come, a mo - - - ment has come -

wuft - ing, our flags are waft - ing, our flags are

mo - - - ment has come, a mo - - - ment has come -

wuft - ing, our flags are waft - ing, our flags are

25

a mo - - - ment, a mo - - - ment so brief,

At the conductor's signal, finish the bar you are singing and hold the last note to the barline



a mo - - - ment, a mo - - - ment so brief,

29

per-haps a point of no re - turn.

per-haps a point of no re - turn.

per-haps a point of no re - turn.

35

*mp*

We live with re -

*mp*

We live, we live with re -

*mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

We live with re - gret, we live

*mp*

We live with re - gret,

40

-gret, we live with doubt,

-gret, we live with doubt,

with doubt,

our roots are tang - led and an -

our roots are tang - led and an -

45

*pp* *p*

an - cien - t.

*mp*

The

*p*

cient.

*mp* *mf* *mp*

The ti - mid-est

*p*

cient.

*mp*

50

The ti-mid - est heart that ne - ver spoke out now breaks in - to  
ti-mid - est, the ti-mid - est heart that ne - ver spoke out now breaks in - to  
heart that ne - ver spoke out now breaks in - to  
— doubt, ne - ver spoke, now breaks in - to

55

song, in - to song,  
song, in - to song,  
song, in - to song,  
song, in - to song,

60

im - pa - tient. gliss.  
im - pa - tient. gliss.  
im - pa - tient. gliss.  
im - pa - tient. gliss.

65 **p**

What - ev - er we had, what - ev - er we lost, what - ev - er we had,

**pp**

voic - ing, voic - ing, voic - ing, voic - ing,

**pp**

voic - ing, voic - ing, voic - ing, voic - ing,

**pp**

voic - ing, voic - ing, voic - ing, voic - ing,

69

— what - ev - er we lost, what - ev - er we had, what - ev - er we lost,

voic - ing, voic - ing, voic - ing free - dom

voic - ing, voic - ing, voic - ing free - dom

voic - ing, voic - ing, voic - ing free - dom

73 **ff**

whe - ther va - - - lued or ta - - ken for grant - - ed, a

can - not be re - cant - ed, a

can - not be re - cant - ed, a

can - not be re - cant - ed, a

77

voic - ing of free - dom, — a voic - ing of free -

voic - ing of free - dom, — a voic - ing of free -

voic - ing of free - dom, — a voic - ing of free -

**Bass Clef**

80

- dom, — a voic - ing of free - dom at —

- dom, — a voic - ing of free - dom at —

- dom, — a voic - ing of free - dom at —

**Bass Clef**

83

what - ev - er cost can-not now be re - cant - ed,

what - ev - er cost can-not now be re - cant - ed,

what - ev - er cost can-not now be re - cant - ed,

**Bass Clef**

can - not now be

rall.

87

S. *mf*

A. *mf*

T. *mf*

B. *mf*

can - - not be re - cant - - - ed.

can - - not be re - cant - - - ed.

can - - not be re - cant - - - ed.

can - - not be re - cant - - - ed.

can - - not be re - cant - - - ed.

re - cant - ed, be re - cant - - - ed.

*a tempo*

## SOPRANO SOLO

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SOP. SOLO *p*

S. *mp*

A. *mp*

T. *mp*

B. *mp*

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S. *pp*

A. *pp*

T. *pp*

B. *pp*

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