

# Aria: "Love that is perfected by Death"

Words by Oscar Wilde  
(from *The nightingale and the rose*)

Brian Collins

$\bullet = 54$  as required; otherwise in free time and expansively throughout

Voice

Piano

*pp* *ppp* *p*

*con ped.*

*8va*

this figure to be played as fast as you can manage!

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*poco*

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Voice

Piano

*pp* *p* *pp*

*loco*

Then she gave one last burst of

Voice

Piano

*poco*

mu-sic. The white Moon heard it, and she for-got the dawn,

*p* and lin-gered, lin-gered, lin-gered in the sky. *pp* The red rose

*mp* *p* *ppp*

*una corda*

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heard it, and it trem- bled, trem- bled, *8va*

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*cresc* *en* *do* *poco* *a* *poco* *mf* *pps (quasi ritto)*

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*f*

trem- bled all over with ec- sta-sy, *mp* and

*mf* *8va*

*tre corde*

op-ened its pet-als to the cold morn-ing air. *mp* Ec-ho bore it to her

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pur-ple cav-ern, *p* bore it to her pur-ple cav-ern, *mp* in the hills, and

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woke the sleep-ing shep-herds from their

*f* *slower*

dreams.  
(8<sup>va</sup>)-----

*f* *p*

*p* *molto legato*

It float - ed through the reeds of the riv - er, the reeds of the riv - er,

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and they car - ried its mes - sage, car - ried its mes - sage, to the sea. It

*tr*

float - ed through the reeds\_ of the riv - er, and they car-ried\_ its mes-sage\_ to the sea.

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*mf* One last burst of

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*pp*

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*una corda*  
8<sup>vb</sup>-----

*loco*  
*tre corde*

mu-sic ling-ered, ling-ered, ling-ered, trem - bled, trem - bled, trem - bled with ec-sta-sy,

*p*

*una corda*  
8<sup>vb</sup>-----

*loco*  
*tre corde*

op-ened to the cold morn - ing air her pur - ple cav - ern, woke dreams,

*p*

*pp*

woke, float - ed, float - ed, float - ed to the sea.

*pp*

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*senza rit.*

float - ed to the sea.

*ppp*

*loco*

Duration: 4'00" approx.