

3. Eden

Voice and Piano or Chamber Ensemble

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from *Eden* (1992)*

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Andante moderato **Allegro marcato** ♩ = 112

Voice

Piano

espressivo *poco rit.* *mp* *ff*

mf

In lur - id car - toon col - ors, — the big ba - by

6

f *mp*

di - no-saur steps back - wards — un - der the shad - ow — of an ap -

11

poco allarg.

proach - ing — ty - ran - no - sau - rus rex. —

16 *poco allarg.*

mf

recitative mp

"His mom-my going to fix it," you re-mark, se-re-ne-ly an-xious, hop-ing for the

21 *mp*

rit.

a tempo

best. — Af-ter the big ex-plo-sion, af-ter the lights go

22 *f*

mf

piu f

down in - side the house and up the street, we rush out-doors_____ to

27

piu f

poco rit. *>*

find a squirrel_____ stopped in straws_____ of half - gnawed_____ ca - ble.

30

poco rit.

mp recitative *3* *simply, but intensely p* **Poco a tempo**

I ex - plain, try - ing to fit the facts, "The squirrel is dead."

33

p

mp

No, you ex - plain it — oth - er - wise to

35

poco rit. *recitative* *p*

me. "He's sleep - ing. And his mom - my going to come."

39

mf *p*

Lat - er, when the squirrel has been removed, "His mom - my fix him,"

41

a tempo
dolce ed espansivo

poco rit.

un - a-shamed Ad - am in this gar - den. You pre -

53 *poco rit.* *a tempo* *dolce ed espansivo*

mf

side, ap - pre - ci - ate, and judge our prop - er names.

58 *mf*

p

Like God, I brought you here. Like God, I

62 *p*

cresc.

seem to be om - nip - o - tent, most - ly help - ful,

67 *cresc.*

f *>* *mf*

some - times an - gry as hell. I fix what - ev - er

70

f *mp*

mp

mi - nor faults a - rise with band - aids, — bat - ter - ies, —

73

p

Slow lullaby

poco rit. *p semplice*

mask - ing tape, and pills. But I am pow - er - less, as

77

poco rit. *p*

you must know, to chase the ser - pent slid - ing in the grass, or the tall

cresc. 3

82 *simile*

an - gel — with the flam - ing sword who scares you — when he ris - es sud - den - ly —

mf *p espressivo* *cresc.* *f*

88 *mf* *colla voce* *p* *non arpeg.* *f*

— be - hind the gates of sun - set. —

mp *rit.* *poco a tempo*

94 *mp* *non arpeg.* *poco a tempo* *p* *pp*