

For Capriccio Columbus, Columbus, OH
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OPEN THE WINDOW, NOAH

for S.S.A.A. voices, a cappella*

Inspired by a Traditional Spiritual
Words and Music by JAY ALTHOUSE

Brightly (♩ = ca. 88-92)

SOPRANO I
SOPRANO II

ALTO I
ALTO II

mf

O - pen the win - dow, No - ah. O - pen the win - dow,

O - pen the win - dow, No - ah. O - pen the win - dow,

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No - ah. Yes, o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow,

No - ah. Yes, o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow,

7

o - pen the win - dow, let the dove fly in. O - pen the win - dow,

o - pen the win - dow, let the dove fly in. O - pen the win - dow,

9 *p*

o - pen the win - dow, let the dove fly in. O - pen the win - dow,

o - pen the win - dow, let the dove fly in. O - pen the win - dow,

10

No ah. O - pen the win - dow, No - ah. Yes,

No - ah. O - pen the win - dow, No - ah. Yes,

* Also available for S.A.T.B. (47605) and 3-part mixed (47606).

PERFORMANCE NOTE:

The solos in this piece may be divided into four eight-bar features and may be performed by any voice.

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o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow, let the

o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow, let the

16 SOLO (any voice) *mf* 17

It rained and rained for for - ty days, *mf*

dove fly in. *Mm*

dove fly in. *Mm*

19

and No - ah's ark, it

O - pen the win - dow, No - ah. *Mm*

O - pen the win - dow, No - ah. *Mm*

22

float - ed a - way. On

O - pen the win - dow, No - ah.

O - pen the win - dow, No - ah.

25

Ar - a - rat Mount it ran a - ground.

Mm O - pen the win - dow,

Mm O - pen the win - dow

28 (end solo)

There's wa - ter, wa - ter all a - round.

No - ah. *Mm* O - pen the win - dow,

No - ah. *Mm* O - pen the win - dow,

32 33

No - ah. O - pen the win - dow, No - ah.

No - ah. O - pen the win - dow, No - ah.

35

O - pen the win - dow, No - ah. Yes, o - pen the win - dow,

O - pen the win - dow, No - ah. Yes, o - pen the win - dow,

38

o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow, let the dove fly in.

o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow, let the dove fly in.

41 SOLO (any voice)
mf

No - ah sent a dove to fly. _____

Mm _____ O - pen the win - dow, No - ah.

Mm _____ O - pen the win - dow, No - ah.

45

Came right back, by and by. _____ So,

Mm _____ O - pen the win - dow, No - ah.

Mm _____ O - pen the win - dow, No - ah.

49

No - ah sent that dove a - gain. _____ It

Mm _____ O - pen the win - dow, No - ah.

Mm _____ O - pen the win - dow, No - ah.

(end solo)

brought an ol - ive leaf, A - men!

Mm O - pen the win - dow, No - ah.

Mm O - pen the win - dow, No - ah.

57

O - pen the win - dow, No - ah. O - pen the win - dow, No - ah. Yes,

O - pen the win - dow, No - ah. O - pen the win - dow, No - ah. Yes,

61

o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow, let the

o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow, let the

64

molto rit.

dove fly in. O - pen the win - dow, let the dove fly in.

dove fly in. O - pen the win - dow, let the dove fly in.

67

Slowly, freely (♩ = ca. 72-76)

mp

Yes, that dove had found dry land. On sol - id ground

mp

Yes, that dove had found dry land. On sol - id ground

70 *mf*

No - ah could stand. May - be that land be free from sin.

mf

No - ah could stand. May - be that land be free from sin.

Tempo I (♩ = ca. 88-92)

73 *f*

O - pen the win - dow, let the dove fly in. O - pen the win - dow, let the

f

O - pen the win - dow, let the dove fly in. O - pen the win - dow, let the

76 TRIO *ff* 78

in. Old No - ah,

dove fly in, the dove fly in. O - pen the win - dow,

ff

dove fly in, the dove fly in. O - pen the win - dow,

79 (rejoin section)

old man No - ah. Yes,

No - ah. O - pen the win - dow, No - ah. Yes,

No - ah. O - pen the win - dow, No - ah. Yes,

82

o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow, let the
 o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow, let the

85

86

dove fly in. O - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow,
 dove fly in. O - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow.

88

sub. p

sub. ff

O - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow, O - pen the win - dow, let the
 O - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow. O - pen the win - dow, let the

91

dove fly, o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow.
 dove fly, o - pen the win - dow, o - pen the win - dow.

95

(no rit.)

O - pen the win - dow, let the dove fly in!
 O - pen the win - dow, let the dove fly in!