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for Solo Singers

10 Exceptional Vocal Solos for Recitals, Concerts, and Contests

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Cover Art: Vincent van Gogh (Dutch, 1853-1890).
Blühender Obstgarten, circa 1880-1890
Oil on canvas; 72 x 58 cm.
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About the artist: During his brief career, Vincent van Gogh completed several hundred paintings as well as numerous drawings and sketches. He suffered severe bouts of depression throughout his life, and created his most important works in the four years prior to his death. Although van Gogh is often considered an Impressionist painter, he had no connection to the French Impressionists, and his work remains highly individualistic in style.

1. AND THIS SHALL BE FOR MUSIC

Words by
ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON (1850-1894)

Music and additional Words by
VICTOR C. JOHNSON

Expressively (♩ = ca. 96) *poco rit.*

mp *poco rit.*

5 *a tempo*
mp

I will make you brooch - es* and toys for your de -

a tempo

8

light of bird - song at morn - ing and

* Brooches (*broh-chehz*) - pieces of jewelry, usually fastened to clothing with a hinged pin and catch.

5. I WILL SING YOU THE STARS

Words and Music by
MARK BURROWS

Expressively, shimmering (♩ = ca. 92)

Measures 1-4 of the musical score. The vocal line consists of four measures of rests. The piano accompaniment features a shimmering eighth-note pattern in the right hand and a simple bass line in the left hand. The piano part starts with a *p* dynamic marking.

5

Measures 5-9 of the musical score. The vocal line begins with the lyrics "There are oceans" starting at measure 9. The piano accompaniment continues with the shimmering eighth-note pattern. A *p* dynamic marking and a circled number 9 are present above the vocal line.

10

Measures 10-14 of the musical score. The vocal line continues with the lyrics "you must cross. There are races you must". The piano accompaniment continues with the shimmering eighth-note pattern.