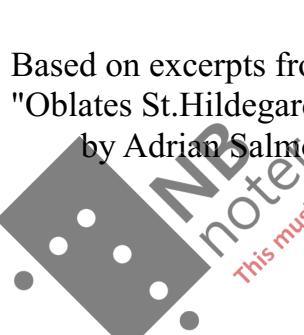


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THE OBLATE

For a cappella vocal ensemble SSAATTBB

Based on excerpts from the poem
"Oblates St.Hildegard of Bingen"
by Adrian Salmon



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OBLATES
(St. Hildegard of Bingen)

Motherless daughter
who could not sleep secure,
anxious one full of wonders,

child fierce in truth,
tiny strange one.
Enclosed, abandoned,

your visions
were of remembered greenness,
your absent mother summoned

in God's maternal power.
Reverend Mother,
we have seen the cosmos.

Mother, it is so much vaster
than you imagined:
a web so massive and delicate

we cannot see all that is made.
We have heard the star's songs,
space chanting its monotone,

and we send our lonely creations,
oblates to knowledge,
to die in the void.

Adrian Salmon

The oblate

1: CARILLON

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J = 80

Soprano 1

fp *mfp*

Ding ding

Soprano 2

fp *mfp* *mf* *p*

Ding dang da ge dang ge dang ding

Alto 1

fp *p*

dang ding ding

Alto 2

fp *p*

Ding ding

Tenor 1

fp *p*

ding ding

Tenor 2

fp *p*

Ding ding dang dang

Bass 1

-

Bass 2

-

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S.1 *fp* *mf*

Ding da ge dang da ge dang da ding - ing ding

S.2 *fp* *mf*

Ding da da dang ge dang ge dang

A.1 *p*

Da di dang

A.2 *fp* *mf* *p*

Ding Ding ding

T.1 *fp* *mf* *p*

Ding ding ding

T.2 *fp*

Ding

B.1 *fp*

Ding

B.2 *p*

Ding ding

12

S.1

S.2

A.1

A.2

T.1

T.2

B.1

B.2

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S.1 *mf* *f*
ding ing n

S.2 >*p* *p* *f* *pp*
ding ding ding n

A.1 *p* *f*
ding ding dang

A.2 *p* ding ding

T.1 *p* ding

T.2 8

B.1 *p* (very soft and distinct) *pp*
ding ding ding ding

B.2 *p* dang

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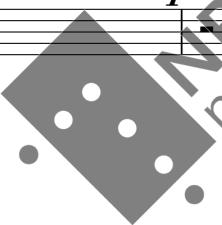
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S.1 *ppp* *p* *f* *p*

S.2 *p* *f* *p* *pp*
ding - *i* *ao* (like in "wow") *wow*

A.1 *f* *p* *i* *ao*

A.2 *f* *p* *p* *mf* *p*
i *ao* *i* - *ao*

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T.1 *8*

T.2 *8*

B.1 *ding, ding ding ding* *ding, ding ding ding ding, ding ding ding ding*

B.2 *pp*
ding, ding ding ding ding, ding ding ding ding ding, ding ding

26

S.1

S.2

p < **mf**

A.1

pp **mf** **p** **pp**

A.2

p **mf** **p**

T.1

8

T.2

pp **p** **pp**

B.1

Bass: # ♪ ♪ -

B.2

Bass: # ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ -

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S.1

S.2 (Breathy) **pp** n →

A.1

A.2 pp n n

T.1 8 ding ding ding

T.2 8

B.1 ding, ding

B.2 ding, ding ding ding ding, ding

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 $\text{♩} = 100$

34

S.1 ***pp***
 'n - xious an (n)

S.2 (Breathy) ***pp***
 n

A.1 ***pp***
 'n - xious 'n - - xious an

A.2 (Breathy. In the voice break
 between head and breast sound)
 n

T.1 ***p***
 m

T.2 ***pp***
 Ah
 (breath)

B.1

B.2

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41 (open mouth gradually) **p**

S.1 - - - - - - - - - -

Breathy **pp**

S.2 - - - - - - - - - -

A.1 - - - - - - - - - -

A.2 - - - - - - - - - -

T.1 - - - - - - - - - -

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T.2 (open mouth gradually) **p**
8 an - - - - - - - - - - xious

B.1 (open mouth gradually) **p**
an - - - - - - - - - - xious

B.2 - - - - - - - - - - n

47 *pp* (soft) \downarrow = ca 80
Tempo ad lib.

S.1 - o ne (n)

S.2 →

(Tempo and dynamics ad lib.)

A.1 Daug ther, daug -

A.2

T.1 8

T.2 8

B.1

B.2

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S.1

S.2

A.1

ther mo-ther-less child full of won-ders ma

p

A.2

T.1

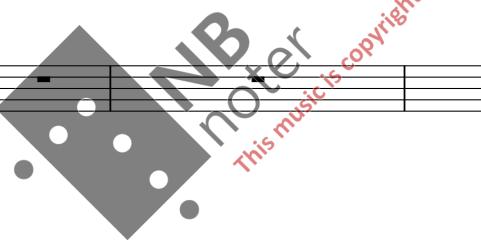
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T.2

B.1

B.2

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S.1

S.2

A.1

A.2

T.1

T.2

B.1

B.2

ther-less daug ther 0

8

3

8

58

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S.1

S.2

A.1

A.2

T.1

T.2

B.1

B.2

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poco più mosso

♩ = 90-100

mp

68

S.1

mo - ther

mo - ther

mo - ther

ther - less

daug -

S.2

A.1

A.2

T.1

T.2

B.1

B.2

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S.1 *ther less* *n* *ppp*

S.2 *less - daug - ther daug - ther*

A.1 *less mo - ther - less daug-ther*

A.2 *less daug mo-ther-less daug - ther*

T.1 *n* *ppp*

T.2

B.1 *n* *ppp*

B.2

78

S.1

S.2

A.1

A.2

T.1

meno mosso

p 3

mo

mp

mo

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meno mosso

p 3

mo-ther-less daug-ther who could

T.2

meno mosso

p 3

mo-ther-less daug-ther who could not sleep

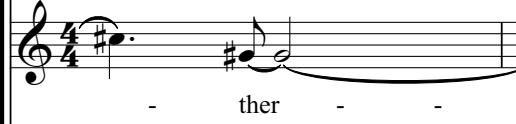
B.1

B.2

poco più mosso

83

S.1 

S.2 

A.1 

A.2 

T.1 

T.2 

B.1 

B.2 

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86

S.1

mf

S.2

p (ch)i *mp*

A.1

mf

se-cure yuo

A.2

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T.1

yuo

T.2

se-cure

B.1

sleep

B.2

sleep se - cure

90

S.1 *p* < *mf* = *mp* > *p*
o

S.2 = *p* *mp* *mf* *p* *p*
-ld an - xious one_n who

A.1 - - - - | 2 - 4

A.2 *p* < *mp* > *p*
o

T.1 - - - - | 2 - 4

T.2 - - - - | 2 - 4

B.1 - - - - | 2 - 4

B.2 - - - - | 2 - 4

poco accel.....

95

S.1 *p* *p* wa wa

S.2 *mp* *p* *mp* could not sleep ma -

A.1 *p* could_ not sleep

A.2 *mp* who could not sleep se - cure, se - cure

T.1 *mp* who could not sleep

T.2 -

B.1 *mp* who could not

B.2 *mp* who could not sleep

più mosso

98

S.1 *mp* mo - ther - less child

S.2 *mf* child

A.1 *mp* mo - ther child

A.2 *=mf* *mp* mo - ther - less daug - ther, daug - ther. chil -

T.1 *mf* less (s)

T.2 *mp* sleep mo - ther-less daug - ther, daug - ther,

B.1 *mf* 3 sleep se - cure

B.2 *mp* *mf* who could not sleep who could not sleep se - cure, anxi - ous

*A tempo +
piccolino più mosso*

101 ***pp*** *poco rit.....* ***mp***

S.1 child mo

S.2 (close mouth gradually on the diphthong) ***pp***

A.1

A.2 (close mouth gradually on the diphthong) ***pp*** ***d***

T.1 ***pp*** m

T.2 ***mp*** ***pp*** ***d***

B.1

B.2 child, child ***p***

105

S.1

S.2 *mf*
mo - ther-less

A.1 *mf* 3
mo - ther - less child, mo - ther-less, mo-ther-less child mo-ther,

A.2 -
mo ther
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T.1 8 *mf*
mo-ther-less daug ther

T.2 8 *mf* 3
* ma ma, ma, ma, ma, ma, ma, (m)

B.1 *mf*
mo-ther-less daug - ther mo-ther mo-

B.2 *mf*
mo - ther - less mo-ther-less child

*(The consonant "m" should be pronounced explosively by pressing the lips quickly together. A kind of watery sound)

A tempo

S.1

107

mf

child, child

S.2

* ma ma ma sim.....

A.1

mp > p

mo-ther child

A.2

mp child fierce in truth in truth

T.1

mf *f* *p*

child fierce in truth

T.2

mp *mf* *f* *p*

child fierce in truth

B.1

mf *p*

ther child child in truth

B.2

mp *p*

mo - ther child in truth

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S.1 *pp*
strange one child

S.2 *pp*
ti - ny

A.1 *p < mf > p*
strange one

A.2 *pp*
ti - ny

T.1 *pp* *mp*
strange one a -

T.2 *mp*
strange, strange one

B.1 *mp*
a strange one n n n n

B.2 *pp* *mp*
ti - ny a strange

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118

S.1 a-ban ded an won -

S.2 a ban - doned an-xious one full of won -

A.1 a ban- don (n) a (gradually change to "æ") tr~~~

A.2 a ban - doned ti - ny a n-xious

T.1 an-xious one full of won-ders a

T.2 a

B.1

B.2 a ban - doned

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122

S.1 *f*
ders won - ders

S.2 *mp* *mf* o o

A.1 (trillo) *f* *mp* *mf* *f* won - ders won -

A.2 *mf* one

T.1 *pp* your

T.2 *pp* your sions

B.1 *pp* vis - were
(pronounced: "vizhn")

B.2 *pp* your were

127

S.1 *p*

S.2 your vi-sions

A.1 *p*

A.2 *p*

T.1 *p*
of re - - mem - - bered

T.2 *p*
of re - - mem - - bered

B.1 *p*
of re - - mem - - bered

B.2 *p*
of mem - - bered

132

S.1

S.2 your vi-sions

A.1

A.2

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T.1 green - - ness your

T.2 green - - ness your

B.1 green - - ness your

B.2 green - - ness your

139

S.1

S.2

A.1

A.2

T.1

8 ab-sent mo-ther sum-mon - ed in God's

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T.2

8 ab-sent mo-ther sum-mon - ed in God's

B.1

ab-sent mo-ther sum-mon - ed in God's

B.2

ab-sent mo-ther sum-mon - ed in God's

145

S.1

S.2

A.1

A.2

T.1

T.2

B.1

B.2

ma - ter - nal ter - nal

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149 (Breath)

S.1

S.2

A.1

A.2

T.1
8 po - wer (breathy with some pitch) Morendo **ppp**

T.2
8 po - wer (breathy with some pitch) Morendo **ppp**

B.1
po - wer (breathy with some pitch) Morendo **ppp**

B.2
po - wer (breathy with some pitch) Morendo **ppp**