

ANCESTORS OF THE SUN

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FOR

THE HILLIARD ENSEMBLE - MANFRED EICHER [vb]¹
AND TERJE RYPDAL [el. guitar]²

THIS COMPOSITION MAY BE PERFORMED BY THE HILLIARD
ENSEMBLE ALONE

^{1,2} OVERDUBBED AT THE RAINBOW STUDIO

TEXT:

[FROM THE SAMI EPIC: "THE SON OF THE SUN'S COURTING
IN THE LAND OF THE GIANTS"]

Beyond the eastern star
To the west of moon and sun

Soon the moon and the sun
will be as small as the northern star

One blue, one red, one white
The sunrise draws near
Sea mirrors the mountain's image
The suns, the moons, the stars
Smile

By THE COMPOSER:

Mountains, Eagles, Ravens and I
Soar towards the Sky - Catching Infinite Music
that Angels left behind.

They were very kind - but an explanation
is there for me to find

Meanwhile - among the dancing stars
an inexplicable drone thundered ghostly
while gods played among the universes
Most peculiar

To be reminded of the future
an ancient spirit touched my soul
or was it the other way?



[A] ~

[1]

ca 30"

7' INTRODUCTION MANNERED AD LIB ARCO
[vb]

[2]

ca 25"

stt f

st I f

st II f

bar 9 r

19 CONTINUE THEN FADE

Be-

Be-

Be-

r

r

r

[3]

ca 20"

stt f

st I f

st II f

bar 9:8 - young ?

- young ?

- young mp

- young mp

mp

mp

[4]

the

ca 20"

stt f

st I f

st II f

bar 9:8 the mf

the mf

the mf

mf

[5]

ca 25"

engrd f

A D LIB Am / Dm b

the

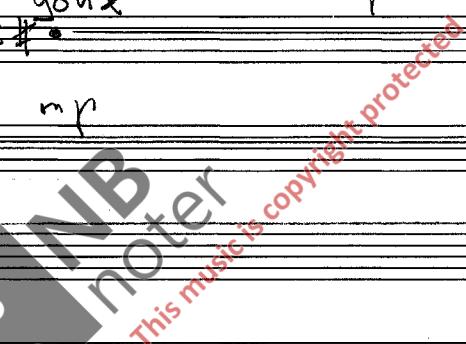
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2' min



eas - ter [10] star -3- ANCESTORS
HILLIARD: AD LIB Am c
Diatonic

c.t. ♫ b. b. star
eas - ter star
t.I. ♫ b. star
eas - ter star
bar ♫ star

[11] ca 20"

el. guitar ♪ AD LIB Am
A.t. ♫ continue sta-
t.I. ♫ continue sta-
bar ♫ continue sta-
vb ♫ m. 33 THEN ALL FLAGLETS ARE GASS LINES

[12] ca 20"
the west of
the west of
the west of
the west of
the west of

c.t. ♫ r. r. r. r.
t.I. ♫ r. r. r. r. mf r. r.
t.II. ♫ r. r. r. r. r. r.
bar ♫ r. r. r. r. r. r.

[13] ca 20"
moon and sun
cresc --- f and ff sun

c.t. ♫ moon cresc --- f and ff sun
t.I. ♫ moon cresc --- f and ff sun
t.II. ♫ moon cresc --- f and ff sun
bar ♫ cresc --- f and ff sun

4' 30"

16

be as small as the north- - ern star ca 20"

d. t. f. |

t. f. f.

t. f. f.

t. f. f.

bass 2:

e.guit | **PFT** | **ca 25'**

(18) sounds / echo lines -

(18) AD H-18 FLAGOOLET SOUNDS etc [AS IN THE IMPRO]

e.guit | **continuit**

(18) 15"

N.B. notes
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el. guitar & continue

in- fi- nite Mu- sic
 bar 9: continue

[21] 15"

el. guitar & continue
 - hind
 they were ve-ry kind but an expla- na- tion
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 - hind
 bar 9: continue

[22] 20"

el. guitar & continue
 is there for me to find
 bar 9: 3 continue

[23] 20" [24] 15"

el. guitar & continue FADE
 2.4
 2.5
 2.6
 bar 9: continue FADE

25 5" C -6- 26 ANCESTORS
 - white - mong the dan- 10"
 c.t. G P Mean mp a- dan-
 t.II b- Mean a- cing
 bar. b- Mean a- star
 mp
 27
 an in-ex-plic-able drone thundered ghost- ly
 28
 - mong the u- 15"
 a- un-i-
 played ver-
 white gods ses
 29
 most pe-cu-li-ar a- 15"
 most pe-cu-li-ar a-
 most pe-cu-li-ar a-
 most pe-cu-li-ar a-
 arco
 FRAGILE "GLASS-SOUNDS"
 mp + 8' 25"

~ [30] 4" -7- [31] ANCESTORS 10" [32] 6"

ex guitar FLAGOLETS

dt fl Most

fl M^f Most

t fl M^f Most

t fl M^f

bar 2/4

pe- cu- li- ar
de- cu- li- ar
pe- cu- li- ar
pe- cu- li- ar

[possible ?]

CONTINUE

el. guitar 6 | [33] 15" | [34] 5" | [35] 10" |
 c.t. | [ECHO REMAINS] |
 t.I | G.P. |
 t.II | be- |
 bar 9: | go - mp |
 jb 9: | - mp |

el. guitar gliss [bottleneck] 129 8" 140 12" q'50"
 z.t. gliss + dim - - - - - p
 t.t. gliss + dim - - - - - p
 t.t. gliss + dim - - - - - p
 bar 9: sul t gliss + dim - - - - - p
 vb 9: gliss + dim - - - - - p

▷ ~

(41)

-8-

one white

ANCESTORS

25"

the sun-rise draws near

c.t. ♫ one red *mp* + one white
 15 ♫ one blue *mp* ! one red one white
 20 ♫ *mp* + one white one white
 bar 9: *mp*

the sun-rise draws near
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(42) 5" Sea (43) mir-rors the moun-tains i- mage 15" (44) 5"
 c.t. ♫ Sea mir-rors the moun-tains i- mage the sun
 25 ♫ G.P. mir-rors the moun-tains i- mage the sun
 20 ♫ Sea mir-rors the moun-tains i- mage the sun
 bar 9:

(45) 5" (46) 10" (47) 5" (48) 5"
 el. guitar ♪
 c.t. ♫ the moons the stars smile
 25 ♫ the moons the stars smile
 20 ♫ the moons the stars smile
 15 ♫ the moons the stars smile
 bar 9: 3: 3:
 vb 9: mp +

(49) 15" (50) 20"
 el. guitar ♪ cont.
 c.t. An-ces-tors of the sun
 25 An-ces-tors of the sun
 20 An-ces-tors of the sun
 15 An-ces-tors of the sun
 bar 9: +
 vb 9: +

RETURNING TO SPACE
 SOUNDS AS IF WE'RE
 RETURNING TO SPACE

DURATION: ca 12 minutes

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