

CHEN ZHANGYI

WATER

For SSA voices and piano

MUZIKSEA

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Thought that the sun
had swallowed you
till your rainy return on this soil

Was disturbed that
your flow into the sea
was a blemish
till you oozed as a spring
on the river bank

Assumed that you could only drop
till you grabbed the sky as steam

Sang in praise
of your creative spirit
till you exhibited the drowned
mounted on your back

Water,
I believed that
you could only wash my dirt
till you seeped as tears
to cleanse my soul !

[Translated from original by Elangovan]

Note: This choral setting is made with Mr. Iqbal's generous consent.

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Pure and unblemished ♩ = 60

SOPRANO 1
th - - - ought (t) thought that_ the

SOPRANO 2
th - - - at_ (t) that_ the

ALTO
th - - - e_ the

Piano
p flowing *pp* cresc.

4 **A** *f* *p* *mf* *p*

sun - - - (n) had_ swal-low'd you, swal - low'd

sun - - - (n) had_ swal - low'd you,

sun - - - (n) had swal - low - ed_ you

f *p* *mf* *p*

f *p* *mf*

p *mf* *p* cresc.

8 *mf* **B** *p*

the sun (nn) till

mf *p*

the sun swal - low'd till

mfp *p* *mp* *p*

you till

p *pp* *p* *mp* cold

pedal off gradually Ped.

12 **C**

your rain - y re - turn (nn) on this soil

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p *mf* *mp* *f*

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sfzmf *p* *sfzp*

Was dis - turb'd that (t) your flow in - to the sea

sfzmf *p* *sfzp*

Was dis - turb'd that (t) your flow in - to the sea

sfzmf *p* *mf*

Was dis - turb'd that (t) your flow in - to the sea

p *mf* *mp* *p* *dolcissimo*

(una corda)

poco rit. (Meno mosso)

pp distant

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was a ble - mish (sh)

p distant

was a ble - mish (sh)

ppp distant

ble - mish (sh)

poco rit. A tempo

ppp magical

p *f*

till you oozed as spring (ng)

mf *p* *mf*

till you oozed

mf *p* *mf*

till you oozed

ppp dolce *mf* *pp* *mp*

Ped.
(tre corde)

p serene **D** *mp*

on (n) As-sumed that you could

p serene *mp*

the ri - ver bank (k) As-sumed that you

p serene *mp*

ri - ver bank (k) As - sumed (m)

pp *p* serene *mp*

Ped.

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p cold

(t) till you ex - hi - bi - ted the drown - ed mount - ed on your back

p cold

(t) till you ex - hi - bi - ted the drown - ed mount - ed on your back

p cold

(t) till you ex - hi - bi - ted the drown - ed mount - ed on your back

mf p cold

Red.

G

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p sfzmf

Wa - ter, wa - ter, —

p sfzmf

Wa - ter, wa - ter, —

p sfzmf

Wa - ter, wa - ter,

p wave-like mf p dolce

mf

46 *p* *sfzp* *p*

I be-liev'd that you could on-ly wash my dirt till you seep'd as

p *sfzp* *p*

I be-liev'd that you could on-ly wash my dirt you seep'd as

p *mf* *p*

I be-liev'd that you could on-ly wash my dirt (t) seep'd as

p *pp cold*

(half ped.)

50 *mf* *mp* *rit.*

tears (s) to cleanse my soul

mf *mp*

tears (s) to cleanse my soul

mf *mp*

tears (s) to cleanse my soul

rit.

mp *ppp distant* *p* *pppp* (long)