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Counting Up My Toes

Music: David Cullen Text: Unknown

Written for Cantabile

Published by: Oxford University Press (available in **Encores**

for Choirs 2 compiled by Peter Gritton (ISBN / ISMN: 0-19-343632-9)

Any night that I can't sleep
And have no time for counting sheep
I know that I can always doze
If I start counting up my toes.
I know that when I get to ten
My eyes begin to close;
Those magic numbers bring me slumbers
When I'm counting up my toes.

One for Daddy; one for me; And one for Teddy; that makes three; And dear old Santa, one for him; Because he's stuck there up the chim-ney; One for Nanny, though she's flat-chested; And one for the cat; And both my Grannies — such old dears — Though they have both been dead for years.

To complete the family group A couple for Mummy ('cos she's super). Now I've counted up to ten, And I can start to doze again.

But peaceful sleep would not be mine If I could only number nine; 'Cos I would wonder with a shock If I had left one in my sock.

When I've counted up my toes And got to ten I start to doze; And so the question's never put: How many I've got on the other foot?

LULLABYES AND GOODBYES

Lullabyes and Goodbyes is a project close to our hearts and one we have been discussing amongst ourselves for some time; we are therefore very pleased that it should come to realisation as our first CD for Signum Records, especially with Adrian Peacock at the helm. It is our first full studio album since On the Tracks of the Comedian Harmonists, on which we were accompanied by our old friend Malcolm Martineau, and we were delighted that Malcolm could again find time in his extraordinary schedule to join us. We can't recall ever spending so much time in narrowing down the available choice of repertoire for a CD. In the case of Bilbo's Last Song, set so beautifully both by Stephen Oliver and by Donald Swann, we decided the only thing for it was to include both versions. Each has its own special resonance for us; Stephen's incidental music to the BBC's Lord of the Rings was what brought him to prominence just before we appeared in the West End musical Blondel, which he wrote with Tim Rice; and around the same time we sang Bilbo's Last Song with Donald in a concert in London – the four-part scoring of the final bars is his own.

The music of other old friends appears on this album. We've known Guy Turner since college days; My Lagan Love is another in a canon of superlative arrangements with which he has been regaling us for more than twenty years. Should the listener remain awake to the end of the disc, they will hear in Counting Up My Toes one of the several real gems David Cullen has written for us. David — best known for his orchestrations for Andrew Lloyd Webber — produced and arranged all the titles on our album Music of the Night.

This CD has offered us the opportunity to do what we love most: to arrange and to sing repertoire from as wide a range of sources as possible. Thus we have chosen folk-song, jazz, musical, opera, *Lied*—and even snuck in one of our own lullabies. All four of us have, after all, paced the floor, babe in arms, singing all our various children (and often ourselves) to sleep...

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Lullabye (Goodnight, My Angel)

Words and music: Billy Joel (b. 1949)

Arranged by: Cantabile

Published by: Impulsive Music (EMI April Music)

Goodnight my angel, Time to close your eyes,

And save these questions for another day. I think I know what you've been asking me; I think you know what I've been trying to say. I promised I would never leave you, And you should always know: Wherever you may go,

No matter where you are, I never will be far away.

Goodnight, my angel, Now it's time to sleep; And still so many things I want to say. Remember all the songs you sang for me When we went sailing on an emerald bay.

And like a boat out on the ocean I'm rocking you to sleep. The water's dark and deep; Inside this ancient heart

You'll always be a part of me. Goodnight, my angel, Now it's time to dream,

And dream how wonderful your life will be. Someday your child may cry, And if you sing this lullabye,

Then in your heart

There will always be a part of me.

Someday we'll all be gone

But lullabyes go on and on...They never die;

That's how you And I Will be.

Evening Prayer

(from Hansel and Gretel)

Music: Engelbert Humperdinck (1854 - 1921) Arranged by:

Cantabile

Text: Adelheid Wette (1858 - 1916) Translated by: David Pountney (b. 1947)

Unpublished

Light shimmers from the Lode Star To show the angels where you are, Then they will bring you safely to the land of dreams. My dreaming, dreaming children, such happy-seeming children, Linger in the land of dreams!

Sandman, good-night;

Let's say our prayers before we sleep.

Where each child lays down its head Angels gather round the bed. Two will stand above me; At my feet two love me. Two upon my right hand; On my left two more stand. Two will give me warning; Two announce the morning. Two to show me God in Heaven; Two times seven

Will show the way to Heaven!

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Goin' Home

(from the 9th Symphony 'From The New World')

Music: Antonín Dvořák (1841 - 1904)

Arranged by: Cantabile

Text: William Arms Fisher (1861 - 1948)

Unpublished

Goin' home, goin' home I'm a-goin' home: Quiet-like, some still day, I'm jes' goin' home.

It's not far, jes' close by, Through an open door; Work all done, care laid by, Gwine to fear no more.

Mother's there 'spectin me. Father's waitin' too; Lots o' folk gathered there, All the friends I knew.

Home, home, I'm goin' home!

Nothin' lost, all's gain, No more fret nor pain. No more stumblin' on the way, No more longin' for the day, Gwine to roam no more!

Mornin' star lights the way Res'less dream all done. There's no break, there's no end.

Jes' a livin on:

Wide awake, with a smile

Jes a-goin' on.

Goin' home, goin' home, I'm jes' goin' home; It's not far, jes' close by Through an open door.

I'm jes' goin' home. Goin' home.

Our Revels Now Are Ended

(Prospero's Speech from The Tempest, Act 4 Scene 1)

Music: John Dankworth (b. 1927)

Arranged by: Cantabile

Text: William Shakespeare (1564 - 1616)

Published by: Key Music

Our revels now are ended. These our actors, As I foretold you, were all spirits and Are melted into air, into thin air: And, like the baseless fabric of this vision, The cloud-capp'd towers, the gorgeous palaces, The solemn temples, the great globe itself, Yea, all which it inherit, shall dissolve And, like this insubstantial pageant faded, Leave not a rack behind. We are such stuff As dreams are made on, and our little life

Is rounded with a sleep.

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Bilbo's Last Song (from The Lord of the Rings)

Music: Stephen Oliver (1950 - 1992)

Cantabile Arranged by:

John Ronald Reuel Tolkien (1892 - 1973)

Published by: Novello and Co. (Music Sales)

Day is ended, dim my eyes, But journey long before me lies. Farewell, friends! I hear the call. The ship's beside the stony wall. Foam is white and waves are grey; Beyond the sunset leads my way. Foam is salt, the wind is free; I hear the rising of the Sea.

Farewell, friends! The sails are set. The wind is east, the moorings fret, Shadows long before me lie, Beneath the ever-bending sky, But islands lie behind the Sun That I shall raise ere all is done; Lands there are to west of West, Where night is quiet and sleep is rest.

Guided by the Lonely Star, Beyond the utmost harbour-bar. I'll find the heavens fair and free, And beaches of the Starlit Sea. Ship, my ship! I seek the West, And fields and mountains ever blest. Farewell to Middle-earth at last. I see the Star above my mast!

Stay Awake (from Mary Poppins)

Words and music: Richard Morton Sherman (b. 1928) and

Robert Bernard Sherman (b. 1925)

Arranged by: Cantabile

Published by: Warner / Chappell Artemis Music

Stay awake, don't rest your head; Don't lie down upon your bed. While the moon drifts in the skies, Stay awake, don't close your eyes.

Though the world is fast asleep, Though your pillow's soft and deep, You're not sleepy as you seem; Stay awake, don't nod and dream.

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Barcarolle (from Les Contes d'Hoffmann)

Music: Jacques Offenbach (1819 - 1880) Arranged by: Cantabile

Text: Paul Jules Barbier (1825 - 1901)

Unpublished

Belle nuit, ô nuit d'amour, Beautiful night, oh night of love,

Barcarolle

Souris à nos ivresses: Smile on our joys:

Night, sweeter than the day, Nuit plus douce que le jour, Ô belle nuit d'amour! Oh beautiful night of love! Le temps fuit et sans retour Time flies and without turning back Carries off our tender feelings; Emporte nos tendresses:

Loin de cet heureux séjour Far from this happy moment Le temps fuit sans retour. Time flies without turning back.

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Zephirs embrasés Burning Zephyrs,

Versez-nous vos caresses. Pour your caresses upon us.

Zephirs embrasés Burning Zephyrs

Versez-nous vous baisers! Pour your kisses upon us!

Hushabve Mountain

(from Chitty Chitty Bang Bang)

Words and music: Richard Moreton Sherman (b. 1928) and

Robert Bernard Sherman (b. 1925)

Arranged by: Cantabile

Published by: EMI United Partnership Limited

A gentle breeze from Hushabye Mountain

Softly blows o'er Lullaby Bay.

It fills the sails of boats that are waiting,

Waiting to sail your worries away.

It isn't far to Hushabve Mountain.

And your boat waits down by the quay;

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The winds of night so softly are sighing; Soon they will fly your troubles to sea. So close your eyes on Hushabye Mountain; Wave goodbye to cares of the day And watch your boat from Hushabye Mountain Sail far away from Lullaby Bay.

Wiegenlied (Opus 49 No. 4)

Lullaby

Music: Johannes Brahms (1833 - 1897)

Arranged by: Cantabile

Text: Verse 1 Des Knahen Wunderhorn (edited by

Achim von Arnim [1781 - 1831] and Clemens

Brentano [1778 - 1842])

Verse 2 Georg Scherer (1824 - 1909)

Unpublished

Guten Abend, gut' Nacht,

Mit Rosen bedacht,

Bedecked with roses,
Mit Näglein besteckt,

Schlupf' unter die Deck';

Morgen früh, wenn Gott will,

Wirst du wieder geweckt.

Good evening, good night,

Bedecked with carnations,
Schlupf' unter die Deck';

Slip under the blanket;

Barly tomorrow, God willing,
You will be woken again.

Guten Abend, gut Nacht,

Von Englein bewacht,

Die zeigen im Traum

Dir Christkindleins Baum.

Schlaf nun selig und süß,

Schau im Traum 's Paradies.

Good evening, good night,

Guarded by little angels,

Who show you in your dreams

The tree of the Christ-child.

Sleep now blissfully and sweetly,

Schau im Traum 's Paradies in your dreams.

Lullaby (Hush Macushla)

Words and music: Cantabile

Unpublished

Hush, Macushla, don't you cry; The stars are in the sky. Hush, Macushla, now don't you sigh; Believe your dreams and fly.

Close your eyes, be free; Such wonders you will see; Softly lost in sleep you'll be.

Hush, Macushla,

Nacht und Träume (Opus 43, No. 25 D.827)

Night and Dreams

Music: Franz Peter Schubert (1797 - 1828)

Arranged by: Cantabile

Text: Matthäus Kasimir von Collin (1779 - 1824)

Unpublished

Heil'ge Nacht, du sinkest nieder;
Nieder wallen auch die Träume
Dreams, too, float down
Wie dein Mondlicht durch die Räume,
Durch der Menschen stille Brust.
Die belauschen sie mit Lust;
They listen with delight
Rufen, wenn der Tag erwacht:
Kehre wieder, heil'ge Nacht!
Holy Night, you sink down;
Dreams, too, float down;
Like your moonlight through space,
Through the quiet hearts of men;
They listen with delight
They call out when day awakens:
Return again, holy night!

Holde Träume, kehret wieder! Fair dreams, return again!

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Discendi, O Sonno Vago (from La Muta di Portici)

Music: Daniel-François Esprit Auber (1782 - 1871)

Cantabile Arranged by: Text:

Eugène Scribe (1791 - 1861)

and Germain Delavigne (1790 - 1868)

Translation: Calisto Bassi (1800 - 1860)

Discendi o Sonno vago Conforto a un mesto core Discendi o Sonno per lei Per lei dal ciel.

E sperda appien l'imago

Nel sogno più ridente; E sperda appien l'imago

Del suo destin crudel.

Ah, scendi, o Sonno, ah, scendi La pace e calma le rendi.

Nel sogno più ridente Scordar quel cor soffrente Puo il fato suo crudel, si, si Il fato suo crudel.

Slumber Song

Drop down, O beautiful Sleep Comfort to a sad heart. Come down, O Sleep, for her, For her from the heavens.

And dispel completely the vision,

In happy dream,

Dispel completely the vision Of her own cruel destiny.

> Ah, come down, O Sleep, ah, come down And give back peace and calm to her.

In happy dream. This suffering heart May forget its cruel fate,

Its cruel fate.

Lullaby

(after the Lullaby for String Quartet)

Music: George Gershwin (1898 - 1937)

Arranged by: Cantabile

Words: Cantabile

Warner Chappell Music Limited / Catalyst Published by:

Music Publishing Limited.

Go Iullabve. Bye, bye. Under starlit skies Baby, close your eyes.

Now day is done The setting sun

Is sinking beneath the West.

Sky shining red; Time now for bed; Time now for you to rest.

Dusk full of mystery Cools the sun-kissed sea; Twilight now paints the sky. Shadows around the bay Outstay the day.

Gently the palm trees Sway in the calm breeze, Soothing you with a sigh. Night comes to hold you, Gently enfold you, In a ragtime lullaby

Bilbo's Last Song (from The Road Goes Ever On)

Donald Swann (1923 - 1994) Music:

Arranged by: Cantabile

Text: John Ronald Reuel Tolkien (1892 - 1973)

Published by: Albert House Press

Day is ended, dim my eyes, But journey long before me lies. Farewell, friends! I hear the call The ship's beside the stony wall. Foam is white and waves are grey; Beyond the sunset leads my way. Foam is salt, the wind is free; I hear the rising of the Sea.

The wind is east, the moorings fret. Shadows long before me lie, Beneath the ever-bending sky, But islands lie behind the Sun That I shall raise ere all is done; Lands there are to west of West, Where night is quiet and sleep is rest.

Farewell, friends! The sails are set.

Guided by the Lonely Star, Beyond the utmost harbour-bar. I'll find the heavens fair and free, And beaches of the Starlit Sea. Ship, my ship! I seek the West, And fields and mountains ever blest. Farewell to Middle-earth at last. I see the Star above my mast!

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Haere Rā*	Farewell

Music: Traditional Swiss / Clement Scott (1841 - 1904)

Arranged by: Cantabile

Text: Erima Maewa Kaihau (1879 - 1941)
Translation: Shane Heremaia (b. 1971)

Unpublished

Haere rã, te manu tangi pai Farewell, beautiful singing bird;
E haere ana koe ki pāmamao. You are going far away
Haere rã, ka hoki mai anō Farewell, return again to your grieving sweetheart.

Ki te tau e tangi atu nei.

* known in English as 'Now is the Hour'

Hawaiian Lullaby

Words and music: Malcolm Sargent (1895 - 1967)

Published by: Boosey and Hawkes Arranged by: Cantabile

Makanani, Malulani, Leilani, Kealoha; Makanani, Malulani, Makalani Kealoha Iki Pepe.

Little Baby! On Christmas morn, Little Baby! Then Christ was born. While the flowers fold their buds and their blossoms in sleep, He and I o'er thy slumbers our loving watch keep.

Composer's note: "The Hawaiian words are terms of endearment:- 'With beautiful eyes'; 'Divine child'; Beloved one'; 'Little baby'."

Lullaby of Birdland

Music: George Shearing (b.1919)

Arranged by: Cantabile

Text: George David Weiss (b. 1921)
Published by: EMI Music Publishing (WP) Limited

Lullaby of Birdland, that's what I Always hear when you sigh. Never in my word land Could there be words to reveal In a phrase how I feel.

Have you ever heard two turtle doves Bill and coo when they love? That's the kind of magic Music we make with our lips

When we kiss.

And there's a weepy ol' willow; He really knows how to cry. That's how I'd cry in my pillow If you should tell me Farewell and goodbye.

Lullaby of Birdland whisper low Kiss me sweet and we'll go Flyin' high in Birdland, High in the sky up above; All because we're in love.

Oblivion

(after Arnalta's Lullaby from L'Incoronazione di Poppea)

Music: Claudio Monteverdi (1567 - 1643)

Arranged by: Cantabile Text: Cantabile

Unpublished

Oblivion is waiting; No time for more debating; Far too late for hesitating.

Before your eyes closed, You smiled at me so sweetly; You held my hand

So tightly;

I kissed you, and felt your breath come and $\ensuremath{\mathsf{go}}$

So lightly.

Oblivion is waiting; No more tears or fears; Your pain is ending.

So sleep now, my dearest, my sweetest;

So sleep now, my darling.

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Schlafendes Jesuskind *Gemalt von Franc. Albani* (from Mörike Lieder, No. 25)

Music: Hugo Wolf (1860 - 1903)

Arranged by: Cantabile

Text: Eduard Friedrich Mörike (1804 - 1875)

Translation: Eric Sams (1926 - 2004)

Unpublished

Sohn der Jungfrau, Himmelskind! am Boden, Auf dem Holz der Schmerzen eingeschlafen, Das der fromme Meister, sinnvoll spielend, Deinen leichten Träumen unterlegte; Blume du, noch in der Knospe dämmernd Eingehüllt die Herrlichkeit des Vaters!

O wer sehen könnte, welche Bilder Hinter dieser Stirne, diesen schwarzen Wimpern sich in sanftem Wechsel malen! Sohn der Jungfrau, Himmelskind! Sleeping Christ-child

As painted by Francesco Albani (1578 - 1660)

Son of the Virgin, child of Heaven, lying on the floor

asleep on the wood of suffering that the pious painter has placed -

a meaningful allusion - under your light dreams; You flower, even in the bud, darkling and sheathed,

still the glory of God the Father!

O, who could see,

behind this brow, these dark lashes, what softly-changing pictures are being painted!

Son of the Virgin, child of Heaven!

Moonshine Lullaby

(from Annie Get Your Gun)

Words and music: Irving Berlin (1888 - 1989)

Arranged by: Cantabile

Published by: Warner Chappell Music Limited

Behind the hill

There's a busy little still

Where your Pappy's working in the moonlight;

Your lovin' paw

Isn't quite within the law,

So he's hiding there behind the hill.

Bye, bye, Baby, Stop your yawning;

Don't cry Baby, Day will be dawning.

And when it does

From the mountain where he wuz,

He'll be coming with a jug of moonshine.

So count your sheep;

Mamma's singing you to sleep

With a Moonshine Lullaby.

Dream of Pappy, very happy With his jug of mountain rye; So count your sheep,

Mamma's singing you to sleep

With the Moonshine Lullaby.

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Cancion de Cuna para dormir a un Negrito (from Cinco Canciones Negras)

Cradle-song to send a little black boy to sleep

Music: Xavier Montsalvatge (1912 - 2002)

Cantabile Arranged by:

Ildefonso Pereda Valdés (1899 - 1996)

Published by: Peer Music

Ninghe, ninghe, ninghe tan chiquitito, El negrito que no quiere dormir. Cabeza de coco, grano de café. With your head like a coconut, a little coffee bean.

Con lindas motitas,

Con ojos grandotes como dos ventanas With wide-open eyes like two windows

que miran al mar.

that look out to the sea.

Cierra los ojitos, Negrito asustado,

El mandinga blanco te puede comer. The white bogey-man may eat you up.

¡Ya no eres esclavo! Y si duermes mucho

El señor de casa promete complar traje con botones

Para ser un "groom".

Ninghe, ninghe, ninghe duérmete negrito, Cabeza de coco, grano de café.

Hushabye, hushabye, hushabye, you tiny one: The little black boy who doesn't want to sleep.

With pretty freckles,

Close your tiny eyes, Frightened little black boy;

You are no longer a slave! And if you sleep a lot

The master of the house promises to buy you a suit with buttons,

So you can be a "groom".

Hushabye, hushabye, hushabye; go to sleep little black boy, With your head like a coconut, a little coffee bean.

My Lagan Love

Music: Irish traditional

Arranged for

Cantabile by: Guy Turner (b. 1955)

Text: Seosamh MacCathmhaoil (Joseph Campbell) (1881-1944)

Where Lagan stream sings lullaby, there blows a lily fair. The twilight gleam is in her eyes, the night is on her hair, And like a lovesick lenanshee: she hath my heart in thrall. Nor life I own, nor liberty; for love is lord of all.

And often when the beetle's horn hath lulled the eve to sleep I steal unto her shieling lorn² and thro' the dooring peep. There on the cricket's singing stone, she stirs the bogwood fire And hums in sad, sweet undertone the song of heart's desire.

1 lenanshee: the leánan sídhe (faery mistress) is a malicious figure who frequently crops up in Gaelic love stories

² shieling lorn: forsaken (shepherd's) hut

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