A Present From a Small Distant World

SATB choir a cappella

Music by Alex Eddington

Text by Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter from the Voyager Spacecraft "Golden Record"

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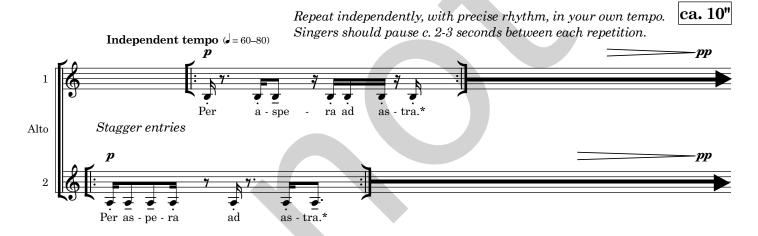
We cast this message into the cosmos. It is likely to survive a billion years into our future, when our civilization is profoundly altered and the surface of the Earth may be vastly changed. Of the 200 billion stars in the Milky Way galaxy, some -- perhaps many -- may have inhabited planets and spacefaring civilizations. If one such civilization intercepts Voyager and can understand these recorded contents, here is our message:

This is a present from a small distant world, a token of our sounds, our science, our images, our music, our thoughts, and our feelings. We are attempting to survive our time so we may live into yours. We hope someday, having solved the problems we face, to join a community of galactic civilizations. This record represents our hope and our determination, and our good will in a vast and awesome universe.

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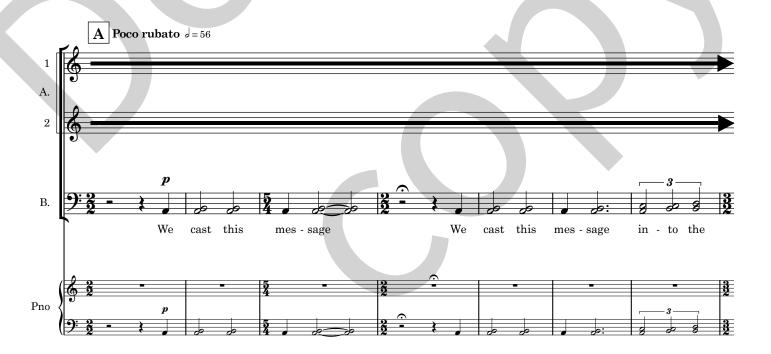
Text: Jimmy Carter, 39th President of the United States (Included on the "Golden Record" launched on the Voyager spacecraft, 1977)

Music: Alex Eddington (2019)



* "Through hardship to the stars"

This morse code inscription appears on the "Golden Record" aboard the Voyager 1 and 2 spacecraft, both launched in the summer of 1977 and now travelling out beyond the outer reaches of our solar system.









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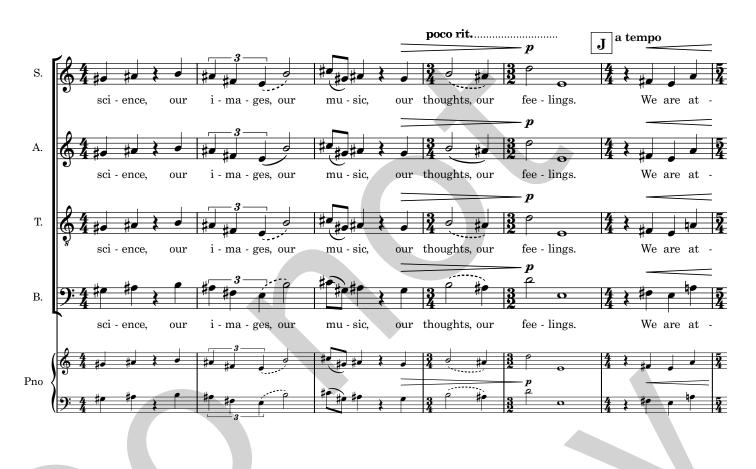
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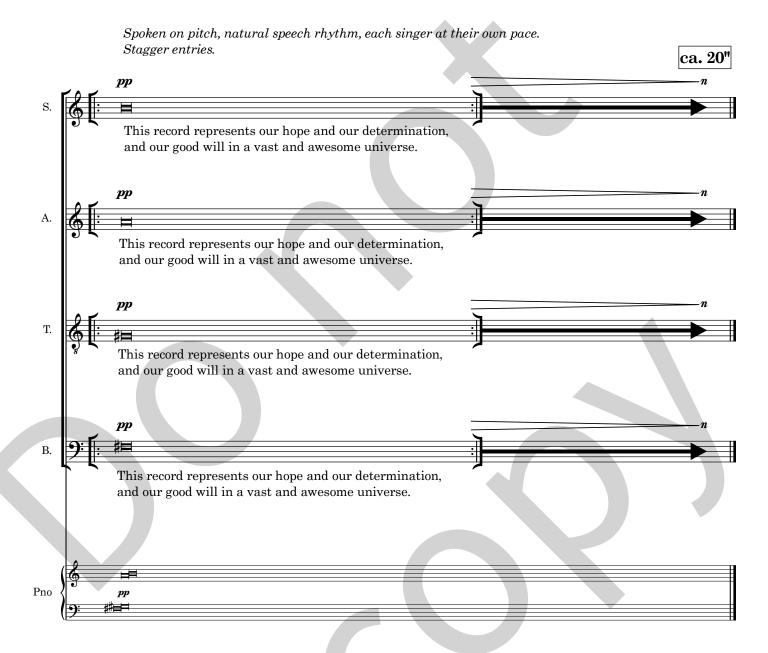
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