

Listen Closely

...and the music, such sweet music,
suddenly the music's everywhere

words and music
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Solo
 There is a song on - ly the heart_ can hear_ Lis-ten

Piano
molto legato

Solo
 close - ly **A** Ol-der than time, Yet fresh_ as the fra-grance of a flow'r Is this *dim.*

S
 3-part voicing *p*
 Mm

S
p
 Mm

A
p
 Mm

7 *mp*

Solo

me-lo - dy Po-ets_ and_ lo - vers have spo-ken of_ the song_

Ooh

Ooh

11 *p* *mp* *p*

Such sweet de - spair_ ac - for this_ and_ It's clo - ser than your hand_

Ooh

Ooh

15 *ppp* *p* *mp* *mp*

Solo S

Let go_ and_ it's there_ And_ the mu - sic, such sweet mu - sic

S A

Let go_ and_ it's there_ such sweet mu - sic

15 *pp* *ppp* *p* *mp*

4-Part

19 *mf*

S1
S2

Sud-den-ly the mu - sic's e - v'ry - where e - v'ry where

A1
A2

Sud-den-ly the mu - sic's e - v'ry - where e - v'ry where

19 *mf*

22 *divisi* *up.div:* Sing the su(n)

S1

Sing (ah)

S2

Sing the ris-ing sun (ah)

A1
A2

Sing the moun-tain Sing the ris-ing sun Sing the flow-ing riv - er In the val-ley just be-yond

22

26

S1

The mys-t'ry has no end - ing It just goes on and on Sing the song

S2
A

The mys-t'ry has no end - ing It just goes on and on Sing un-til the sing-er is the song

26

C Tutti

30 *mf*

S A

Ga-te ga - te pa-ra ga - te pa-ra sam ga-te bod-hi swa - ha

34

S1 S2

Ga-te ga - te pa-ra ga-te pa-ra sam ga- te bod-hi swa - ha

A1 A2

Ga-te ga - te pa-ra ga-te pa- sam ga- te bod-hi swa - ha

38 **D**

Friend, I know_ that you can hear_ this song_ I see the mel-o- dy_ in your

Friend, I know_ that you can hear_ this song_ I see the mel-o- dy_ in your

38 Friend I know that you can hear_ this song in your_

41

S1 I see it in your eyes _____ The song_ it is_ the same

S2 _____ eyes.____ I need-n't know your name The song_ it is_ the same

A1 _____ eyes.____ I need-n't know your name The song_ it is_ the same May you

A2 _____ eyes.____ I need-n't know your name The song_ it is_ the same

41

Solo

E Unison

45

S1 May your hearts be filled with mu - sic May_ all hearts hear this mu - sic And our

S2

A1 *tutti* always hear this mu - sic May your hearts be filled with mu - sic May_ all hearts hear this mu - sic And our

A2 May_ all hearts hear this mu - sic And our

45

48 *cresc.* *f*

S1
 voi-ces fill the skies. Sing the ris - ing sun

S2
 voi-ces fill the skies. Sing Sing sun

A1
 voi-ces fill the skies Sing the moun - tain Sing the ris - ing sun

A2
 voi-ces fill the skies Sing moun - tain, Sing

48 *cresc.* *f*

48 *cresc.* *f*

52 *mf*

S1
 Sing the flow - ing river just be - yond

S2
 in the val - ey just be yond. The mys - t'ry has no end - ing

A1
 the flow - ing ri - ver in the val - ley just be - yond The mys - t'ry has no end - ing It

A2
 Sing in the val - ey just be - yond. The mys - t'ry has no end - ing It

52 *mf*

55

just goes on and on the sing-er is the song.

just goes on and on is the song

just goes on and on Sing un-til the sing-er is the song

just goes on and on Sing un - til the sing-er is the song.

58 **F** *mp*

S1 Ga-te ga - te pa - te pa-ra-sam ga - te bod-hi swa - ha

S2 *mf* Ga-te ga - te pa-ra ga-te bod-hi swa-ha

A1 *mf*

A2 Ga-te ga - te pa-ra ga - te pa-ra-sam ga-te bod-hi swa - ha

58 *gently*

62 *mp* 3

S1 Ga-te ga - te pa-ra ga - te pa-ra-sam ga-te_____ bod-hi swa - ha There *p*

S2 Ga-te ga - te_____ N.B. pa-ra ga-te_____ wa - ha There *p*

A1 *mp* 3

A2 Ga-te ga - te pa-ra ga - te pa-ra-sam ga-te_____ bod-hi swa - ha There *p*

62 *mp*

66 Unison *pp*

S is a song on - ly the heart can hear_ Lis-ten_____ close - ly.

A is a song on - ly the heart can hear_ Lis-ten_____ close - ly.

66 *p* *pp*

Songwriter Steven Walter's tender song, "Listen Closely" is an exploration of "Buddha nature" and contains a Sanskrit mantra from a core Buddhist scripture, the *Heart Sutra*:

*Gate gate para gate
para sam gate bodhi swa ha*

gone, gone, beyond gone
even beyond enlightenment
pouring its offering into itself

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