



# Hymn to Diana

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(1867-1947)

**Rev. Arnold Duncan Culley** (1867-1947) was born in Great Yarmouth, Norfolk, England. He received his education at the Royal College of Music; Emmanuel College, Cambridge; and the University of Durham. He was ordained priest in 1895. He held a variety of appointments during his lifetime: organist and choirmaster of St. Peter's Church, Hammersmith, London; organist of Christ Church, Surbiton, Surrey; curate of the Chapel Royal, Brighton; appointed to Exeter Cathedral and became sub-organist; appointed minor canon and precentor at Durham Cathedral and became organist and master of the choristers. After retiring he was rector of Burwarton with Cleobury North, Shropshire and rural dean of Stottesdon. His compositions were principally church music, including anthems and hymn tunes.

Queen and huntress, chaste and fair,  
Now the sun is laid to sleep,  
Seated in thy silver chair,  
State in wonted manner keep:  
Hesperus entreats thy light,  
Goddess excellently bright.

Earth, let not thy envious shade  
Dare itself to interpose;  
Cynthia's shining orb was made  
Heaven to clear, when day did close:  
Bless us then with wished sight,  
Goddess excellently bright!

Lay thy bow of pearl apart,  
And thy crystal-shining quiver;  
Give unto the flying hart  
Space to breathe how short so-ever:  
Thou that makest a day of night,  
Goddess excellently bright!

Ben Jonson (1572-1637)

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Andante sostenuto  $\text{♩} = 80$

S *mf* Queen and hunt - ress, chaste and fair, — Now the sun is laid to sleep,

A *mf* Queen and hunt - ress, chaste and fair, — Now the sun is laid to sleep,

T *mf* Queen and hunt - ress, chaste and fair, — Now the sun is laid to sleep,

B *mf* Queen and hunt - ress, chaste and fair, — Now the sun is laid to sleep,

5 S Seat - ed in thy sil - ver chair, — State in won - ted man - ner keep, —

A Seat - ed in thy sil - ver chair, — State in won - ted man - ner keep,

T Seat - ed in thy sil - ver chair, — State in won - ted man - ner keep,

B Seat - ed in thy sil - ver chair, — State in won - ted man - ner keep,

9 S *p* Seat - ed in thy sil - ver chair, — State in won - ted man - ner keep, —

A *p* Seat - ed in thy sil - ver chair, — State in won - ted man - ner keep,

T *p* Seat - ed in thy sil - ver chair, — State in won - ted man - ner keep,

B *p* Seat - ed in thy sil - ver chair, — State in won - ted man - ner keep,

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S State in won-ted man - ner keep: Hes - per - us en - treats thy light,

A State in won - ted man - ner keep: Hes - per - us en - treats thy light,

T State in won - ted man - ner keep: Hes - per - us en - treats thy light,

B State in won - ted man - ner keep: Hes - per - us en - treats thy light,

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S God - dess ex - cel - lent - ly bright. Earth, let not thy en - vious shade

A God - dess ex - cel - lent - ly bright. Earth, let not thy en - vious shade

T God - dess ex - cel - lent - ly bright. Earth, let not thy en - vious shade

B God - dess ex - cel - lent - ly bright. Earth, let not thy en - vious shade

21

S Dare it - self to in - ter - pose; Cyn - thia's shin - ing orb was made

A Dare it - self to in - ter - pose; Cyn - thia's shin - ing orb was made

T Dare it - self to in - ter - pose; Cyn - thia's shin - ing orb was made

B Dare it - self to in - ter - pose; Cyn - thia's shin - ing orb was made

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25

S Heaven to clear when day did close, Cyn - thia's shin - ing orb was made

A Heaven to clear when day did close, Cyn - thia's shin - ing orb was made

T Heaven to clear when day did close, Cyn - thia's shin - ing orb was made

B Heaven to clear when day did close, Cyn - thia's shin - ing orb was made

29

S Heaven to clear, when day did close, Heaven to clear, when day did close:

A Heaven to clear, when day did close, Heaven to clear, when day did close:

T Heaven to clear, when day did close, Heaven to clear, when day did close:

B Heaven to clear, when day did close, Heaven to clear, when day did close:

33

S Bless us then with wish - ed sight, God - dess ex - cel - lent - ly bright!

A Bless us then with wish - ed sight, God - dess ex - cel - lent - ly bright!

T Bless us then with wish - ed sight, God - dess ex - cel - lent - ly bright!

B Bless us then with wish - ed sight, God - dess ex - cel - lent - ly bright!

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37 *mf*

S Lay thy bow of pearl a - part, — And thy crys - tal - shin - ing quiv - er;

A Lay thy bow of pearl a - part, — And thy crys - tal - shin - ing quiv - er;

T Lay thy bow of pearl a - part, — And thy crys - tal - shin - ing quiv - er; —

B Lay thy bow of pearl a - part, — And thy crys - tal - shin - ing quiv - er;

41

S Give un - to the fly - ing hart — Space to breathe how short so - ev - er,

A Give un - to the fly - ing hart — Space to breathe how short so - ev - er,

T Give un - to the fly - ing hart — Space to breathe how short so - ev - er,

B Give un - to the fly - ing hart — Space to breathe how short so - ev - er,

45 *p*

S Give un - to the fly - ing hart — Space to breathe how short so - ev - er, —

A Give un - to the fly - ing hart — Space to breathe how short so - ev - er,

T Give un - to the fly - ing hart — Space to breathe how short so - ev - er, —

B Give un - to the fly - ing hart — Space to breathe how short so - ev - er,

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49 *f*

S space to breath how short so - ev - er: Thou that mak'st a day of night,

A space to breath how short so - ev - er: Thou that mak'st a day of night,

T space to breath how short so - ev - er: Thou that mak'st a day of night,

B space to breath how short so - ev - er: Thou that mak'st a day of night,

53 *rall.*

S God - dess ex - cel - lent - ly bright!

A God - dess ex - cel - lent - ly bright!

T God - dess ex - cel - lent - ly bright!

B God - dess ex - cel - lent - ly bright!

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