



Summer is nigh

**Julius Benedict
(1804-1885)**

Sir Julius (Jules) Benedict (1804-1885) was born in Stuttgart, Germany, and studied composition with Johann Nepomuk Hummel and Carl Maria von Weber. He was appointed Kapellmeister of the Kärnthnerthor theatre at Vienna, and in 1825, he became Kapellmeister of the San Carlo theatre at Naples. In 1834 he went to Paris and, a year later, to London, where he spent the remainder of his life. In London, he was conductor of the Lyceum Theatre and Theatre Royal, Drury Lane. In 1848 he conducted the first appearance of Jenny Lind in an oratorio—Felix Mendelssohn's Elijah at Exeter Hall. In 1850 he went to America as her tour accompanist. Returning to England in 1852, he became musical conductor at Her Majesty's Theatre and conductor of the Harmonic Union. Benedict conducted every Norwich Festival from 1845 to 1878, and the Liverpool Philharmonic Society's concerts from late 1875 to 1880. He was the regular accompanist or conductor at the Monday Popular Concerts in London. He was knighted in 1871; and, among other distinctions, was decorated by the emperor of Austria in 1874 and made knight commander of the Order of Frederick by the king of Württemberg. His compositions include a symphony, numerous concerti, an oratorio, a number of operas and a notable number of part-songs.

Through the bowers sweet winds are stealing,
And the noisy rooks are wheeling;
All their grace are flowers revealing,
Hidden long in wintry snows.
Awake, awake! ye Naiads fair,
For by your haunts the streamlet flows,
And soft the zephyr blows!
Ah, the summer's nigh!

On the hill the roe is belling,
And the fountains are upwelling,
And the heart first love is telling,
Hidden long like wintry wintry flower.
Awake, awake! oh maiden fair,
Upon thy life no shadows lower,
And love rules brake and bower.
Ah, the summer's nigh!

Henry Brougham Farnie (1836-1889)

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Allegretto ♩ = 88

S Thro' the bow'rs sweet winds are steal-ing, And the nois - y rooks are.
A Thro' the bow'rs sweet winds now steal, And the nois - y rooks, And the.
T Thro' the bow'rs sweet winds now are steal-ing, And the.
B Thro' the bow'rs sweet winds are steal - ing, And the nois - y rooks are.

S wheel - ing; All their grace are flow'rs re - veal - ing, all their.
A nois - y rooks are wheel - ing; Flow'rs their grace are re - .
T rooks now wheel; All their grace, all their.
B wheel - ing; All their grace are flow'rs re - .

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S 7 grace are flow'rs re - veal - ing, all their grace are flow'rs re -

A veal - - - - ing, are re - veal - - -

T grace are flow'rs re - veal - ing, all their grace are flow'rs re -

B veal - ing, all their grace are flow'rs re - veal - ing, Hid - den

S 10 *dim.* veal - ing, *Hid - den* long in win - try snows, in win - try snows.

A *dim.* ing, *Hid - den* long in win - try snows, in win - try snows.

T *dim.* veal - ing, *Hid* long in win - try snows. *cresc.* A - wake, a -

B *dim.* long, hid long in win - try snows. *cresc.* A - wake, a -

S 13 A - wake, a - wake! ye Nai - ads fair, For by your haunts the

A A - wake, a - wake! ye Nai - ads fair, For by your

T wake! ye Nai - ads fair, For by your haunts, your

B wake! ye Nai - ads fair, For by your haunts, by your

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S stream - let flows, And soft the zeph - yr blows! And soft the
A haunts the stream - let flows, And soft, and soft the
T haunts the stream - let flows, And soft,
B haunts the stream - let flows, And soft, soft

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S zeph - yr blows! For by your haunts the
A zeph - yr blows! the
T and soft the zeph - yr the
B — the zeph - yr blows! And soft the zeph - yr

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S stream - let flows, And soft the zeph - yr blows, soft the
A stream - let flows, And soft the
T the blows! And soft the
B the blows! And soft the the

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S zeph - yr blows! Ah, the sum - mer's nigh, Ah, the sum - mer's
A zeph - yr blows! Ah, the sum -
T zeph - yr blows! Ah, the sum -
B zeph - yr blows! Ah, the sum -

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S nigh, Ah, the sum - mer's nigh, the sum - mer's nigh, the sum - mer's
A mer is nigh, sum - mer's nigh, the sum - mer's
T mer is nigh, sum - mer's nigh, the sum - mer's
B mer is nigh, sum - mer's nigh, Ah, sum - mer's nigh,

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S nigh, the sum - mer's nigh!
A nigh, the sum - mer's nigh!
T nigh, the sum - mer's nigh!
B the sum - mer's nigh, is nigh!

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S On the hill the roe is bell-ing, And the foun-tains are up -

A On the hill the roe deer bell, And the foun-tains all, and the

T On the hill the roe deer is bell-ing, And the

B On the hill the roe is bell - ing, And the foun-tains are up -

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S well-ing, And the heart first love is tell-ing, and the

A foun-tains are up-well-ing, Hearts their first love are

T foun-tains well, And the heart, and the

B well - ing, And the heart first love is

poco a poco cresc.

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S heart first love is tell-ing, and the heart first love is

A tell - - - - - ing, now is tell - - - - -

T heart first love is tell - - - - - and the heart first love is

B tell - - - - - ing, and the heart first love is tell - - - - - Hid-den

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S tell - ing, Hid - den long like win - try flow'r, like win - try flow'r.
A ing, Hid - den long like win - try flow'r, like win - try flow'r.
T tell - ing, Hid long like win - try flow'r. cresc.
B long, hid long like win - try flow'r. cresc. A - wake, a -

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S A - wake, a - wake! oh maid - en fair, Up - on thy life no -
A A - wake, a - wake! oh maid - en fair, Up - on thy
T wake! oh maid - en fair, Up - on thy life, thy
B wake! oh maid - en fair, Up - on thy life, on thy

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S shad - ows low'r, And love rules brake and bow'r, and love rules
A life no shad - ows low'r, And love, and love rules
T life no shad - ows low'r, And love,
B life no shad - ows low'r, And love, love

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S
brake _____ and bow'r, Up - - - on thy life no _____

A
brake _____ and bow'r, _____ no

T
- - - and love rules brake _____ and

B
rules brake and bow'r, and love rules brake _____ and

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S shad - ows__ low'rs, And__ love__ rules__ brake and__ bow'r,____ love__ rules__

A shad - ows low'rs, And love rules

T bow'r,____ and love rules

B bow'r, And love, yes, love rules

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S
brake and bow'r. Ah, _____ the sum-mer's nigh, Ah, _____ the sum-mer's

A
brake and bow'r. Ah, the sum -

T
brake and bow'r. Ah, the sum -

B
brake and bow'r. Ah, the sum -

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Soprano (S) vocal line: "the sum - mer's nigh," followed by a melodic line with a fermata and a sustained note.

Alto (A) vocal line: "the sum - mer's nigh," followed by a melodic line with a fermata and a sustained note.

Tenor (T) vocal line: "the sum - mer's nigh," followed by a melodic line with a fermata and a sustained note.

Bass (B) vocal line: "nigh," followed by "the sum - mer's nigh," then "is nigh!" with a melodic line and a fermata.

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