

Wen Sim

RAINBOW

SSA chorus
piano

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Composer's note

Rainbow was commissioned by Voices of Singapore in an interdisciplinary showcase of Singaporean art works and choral works.

The composition of this song is in collaboration with the artist, Joyce Chong, and takes inspiration from her painting, *Iridescent*. The painting juxtaposes fiery hues of reds with softer tones of blues, signifying a transition from conflict and chaos to hope and positive outcome.

I found the messages in Joyce's work relatable to some recent incidents of my life and these memories contributed to the conception of this song. The angst of not being able to find answers for why the mishaps fell onto me is translated into the incessant pulsating rhythm. The pain of languishing is expressed by unresolving dissonances. The need to find acceptance and hope is conveyed by the consonant harmony and lightness towards the end of the song.

Commissioned by Voices of Singapore
Inspired by the art work 'Iridescent Hope' by Joyce Chong

Rainbow

for SSA and Piano

Wen Sim

Mid-tempo ballad (♩ = ca 86)

mf

Soprano 1

Oo

mf

Soprano 2

Oo

mf

Alto

Oo

Mid-tempo ballad (♩ = ca 86)

mf

Piano

3

Oo


It's

Oo

It's

Oo

It's

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5

rain - ing, of stream-ing tears in blue. I'm

rain - ing, of stream-ing tears in blue. I'm

rain - ing, of stream-ing tears in blue. I'm

7

bruis - ing, I'm bro-ken in - to two. Like a *mp*

bruis - ing, I'm bro-ken in - to two. Like a *mp*

bruis - ing, I'm bro-ken in - to two. Like a *mp*

9

tra - ge - dy, oo

tra - ge - dy, I'm bad - ly miss - ing you. In this

tra - ge - dy, I'm bad - ly miss - ing you. In this

mp

11

In this rain

rain, I'm here wait - ing for you. *cresc.*

rain, rain you *cresc.*

13

cresc.

f

Oo _____ I'm

I'm

I'm here wait-ing for you. _____ I'm

cresc.

15

stand - ing in this rain, search - ing for the rain - bow. I'm un - lock - ing the chain,

stand - ing, this rain, the rain - bow. I'm un - lock - ing the

stand - ing in this rain, search - ing for the rain - bow. I'm un - lock - ing the chain,

f

18

mp

rea-dy to re-lease the sha - dow... Will you meet_ me at the rain - bow, where we

chain, the sha - dow... Will you meet_ me at the rain - bow, where we

mp

rea-dy to re-lease the sha - dow... Will you meet_ me at the rain - bow, where we

mp

20

cresc.

have each o - ther to hold?_ Meet me at the rain - bow, where we

cresc.

have each o - ther to hold?_ Meet me at the rain - bow, where we

cresc.

have each o - ther to hold?_ Meet me at the rain - bow, where we

cresc.

22

have each_ o - ther_ to hold. oh_____

have each_ o - ther_ to doo doo doo doo doo_ doo doo_ doo doo_

have each_ o - ther_ to doo doo doo doo doo_ doo doo_ doo doo_

ff

24

I'm wait-ing for you oh_____

do_ doo doo doo doo_ doo doo_ doo doo doo doo doo doo doo_ doo doo_ doo doo_

do_ doo doo doo doo_ doo doo_ doo doo doo doo doo doo doo_ doo doo_ doo doo_

ff

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30

oh Pre - tend - ing doo doo_ doo doo doo doo

doo doo_ doo doo doo Pre - tend - ing you are near for real.

doo doo doo doo doo_ doo doo doo Pre - tend - ing doo doo_ doo doo doo doo

32

you are near for real. *cresc.* In this rain,

doo doo doo doo_ doo doo *cresc.* In this rain,

doo doo doo doo doo_ doo doo *cresc.* In this rain, in this rain

34

f

I'm stand - ing in this rain,

I'm wait-ing for the heal. I'm stand - ing, this

f

I'm stand - ing in this rain,

36

search-ing for the rain - bow. I'm un - lock - ing the chain,

rain the rain - bow. I'm un - lock - ing the

search-ing for the rain - bow. I'm un - lock - ing the chain,

38

mp

rea-dy to re-lease the sha - dow... Will you meet_ me at the rain - bow, where we

chain, the sha - dow... Will you meet_ me at the rain - bow, where we

mp

rea-dy to re-lease the sha - dow... Will you meet_ me at the rain - bow, where we

40

cresc.

have each o - ther to hold?_ Meet me at the rain - bow, where we

cresc.

have each o - ther to hold?_ Meet me at the rain - bow, where we

cresc.

have each o - ther to hold?_ Meet me at the rain - bow, where we

cresc.

42

have each o - ther to hold.

have each o - ther to hold.

have each o - ther to doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

ff

44

have each o-ther to hold.

have each o-ther to hold.

doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

ff

46

mf

I know of

mf

I know of

mf

doo doo doo doo_ doo doo doo we will meet at the rain - bow,

48

dim.

course I know of

dim.

course I know of

dim.

we have each o-ther to hold, we will meet at the rain - bow,

50

course I know of

course I know of

we have each o-ther to hold, we will meet at the rain - bow,

52

course I know.

course I know.

we have each o - ther to hold. I know.

rit. *p*

rit. *p*