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'Hush' was composed in the summer of 2013 and was first performed in October the same year by the Manchester Chamber Choir under the direction of Neil Ferris, as part of the Late Music concert series in York.

'Hush' serves as a 'companion piece' to my earlier choral work 'Fallen' and like that piece it makes use of a fragment of poetry by the Sufi mystic poet Jalāl ad-Dīn Rumi; both pieces might be seen to have music as their subject.

*The quieter you become, the more you are able to hear.*



14

S. *ppp* *mm* *ppp* *p* The quiet-er you be-

A. *ppp* *mm* *p* The quiet-er you be-

T. *ppp* *p* *ppp* *p* *mm* The quiet-er you be come *mm* The quiet-er you be come

B. *p* *ppp* *p* The quiet-er you be come *mm* The quiet-er you be come

Pno. *p* *p*



19

S. *ppp* *ppp* *ppp* come, *mm* *mm* *ppp* *mm*

A. *ppp* *ppp* *ppp* come, *mm* *mm* *ppp* *mm*

T. *p* *ppp* The quiet-er you be come *mm*

B. *p* *ppp* The quiet-er you be come *mm*

Pno. *ppp* *p*

25

S. *mf* The more

S. Ah *f* The *mf*

A. *p* *mp* *cresc.* *f* *mf*  
 div. The more you are ab-le to hear The more you are ab-le to hear more

A. *p* *mp* *cresc.* *f*  
 The more you are ab-le to hear The more you are ab-le to hear

T. *p* *mp* *cresc.* *f*  
 The more you are ab-le to hear The more you are ab-le to hear

B. *p* *mp* *cresc.* *f*  
 The more you are ab-le to hear The more you are ab-le to hear

Pno. *p* *mp* *cresc.* *f*

32

S. the more the more you

S. The more the more more the more you

A. the more more more

A. the more more more you

T. *mp*  
 The quiet-er you be- come

B. *mp*  
 The quiet-er you be- come

Pno. *mp*

37

S. hear the more you hear the more you

S. hear hear you hear more

A. hear more you more

A. hear hear you more

T. The quiet-er you be come The quiet-er you be

B. The quiet-er you be come The quiet-er you be

Pno.

42

**molto rall.** **Meno mosso** (♩=50 or slower!) **pp**

S. hear hear the more hear. Ah **pp**

S. hear hear the more hear Ah **pp**

A. hear hear you. hear Ah **pp**

A. the more hear hear you hear Ah **pp**

T. come The quiet-er you be - come **pp**

B. come The quiet-er you be - come **pp**

**molto rall.** **Meno mosso** (♩=50 or slower!) **pp**

Pno. **pp**

*ped. sempre*

48

S. ah ah

S. ah ah

A. ah ah

A. ah ah

T. Ah ah

B. Ah ah ah ah ah

Pno.

57

S. ah ah

S. ah ah

A. ah ah

A. ah ah

T. The quiet-er you be come the

B. The quiet-er you be come the

Pno.

63

S. *pp* Hush *ppp* mm

S. *pp* Hush *ppp* mm

A. *pp* Hush *ppp* mm

A. *pp* Hush *ppp* mm

T. quiet-er you be come the quiet-er you be come

B. quiet-er you be come the quiet-er you be come

Pno. *pp* *ppp*