

Kala Pierson



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O Eros, silently smiling one, hear me.  
Let the shadow of thy wings  
brush me.  
Let thy presence  
enfold me, as if darkness  
were swan-down.  
Let me see that darkness  
lamp in hand,  
this country become  
the other country  
sacred to desire.

**strong, smooth, vibrant**

♩ = 80

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6

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S *mf* *f* (*non dim.*) *mp* *p*  
O E - ros, si - lent-ly smi-ling one, hear me. E - ros.

A *mf* *f* (*non dim.*) *mp* *p*  
O E - ros, si - lent-ly smi-ling one, hear me. E - ros.

T *mf* *f* (*non dim.*) *mp* *p*  
O E - ros, si - lent-ly smi-ling one, hear me. E - ros.

B *mf* *f* (*non dim.*) *mp* *p*  
O E - ros, si - lent-ly smi-ling one, hear me. E - ros.

S *p* *pp*  
Let the sha-dow of thy wings brush me. Let thy pre-sence en-fold me, as if dark-ness were swan-down...

A *p* *pp*  
Let the sha-dow of thy wings brush me. Let thy pre-sence en-fold me, as if dark-ness were swan-down...

T *p* *pp*  
Let the sha-dow of thy wings brush me. Let thy pre-sence en-fold me, as if dark-ness were swan-down...

B *p* *pp*  
Let the sha-dow of thy wings brush me. Let thy pre-sence en-fold me, as if dark-ness were swan-down...

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S *mf* Let me see that dark - ness, *f* E - ros, *mf* lamp in hand, *p* this coun-try

A *mf* Let me see that dark - ness, *f* E - ros, *mf* lamp in hand, *p* this coun-try

T *mf* Let me see that dark - ness, *f* E - ros, *mf* lamp in hand, *p* this coun-try

B *mf* Let me see that dark - ness, *f* E - ros, *mf* lamp in hand, *p* this coun-try

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S *pp* be-come the o - ther coun-try, *pp* sa - cred to de-si - re. *mp* O E - ros, *mp* si - lent-ly

A *pp* be-come the o - ther coun-try, *pp* sa - cred to de-si - re. *mp* O E - ros, *mp* si - lent-ly

T *pp* be-come the o - ther coun-try, *pp* sa - cred to de-si - re. *mp* O E - ros, *mp* si - lent-ly

B *pp* be-come the o - ther coun-try, *pp* sa - cred to de-si - re. *mp* O E - ros, *mp* si - lent-ly

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45

48

long

S *mf* smi-ling one, hear me. *f* E - ros. *f* E - ros. *long* E - ros.

A *mf* smi-ling one, hear me. *f* E - ros. *f* E - ros. *long* E - ros.

T *mf* smi-ling one, hear me. *f* E - ros. *f* E - ros. *long* E - ros.

B *mf* smi-ling one, hear me. *f* E - ros. *f* E - ros. *long* E - ros.