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i carry your heart with me

SATB chorus, a cappella

Poem by E. E. Cummings

ABBIE BETINIS MUSIC COMPANY Commissioned by Pam & Jesse on the occasion of their wedding

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i carry your heart with me(i carry it in my heart)i am never without it(anywhere i go you go,my dear;and whatever is done by only me is your doing,my darling)

no fate(for you are my fate,my sweet)i want no world(for beautiful you are my world,my true) and it's you are whatever a moon has always meant and whatever a sun will always sing is you

here is the deepest secret nobody knows (here is the root of the root and the bud of the bud and the sky of the sky of a tree called life; which grows higher than soul can hope or mind can hide) and this is the wonder that's keeping the stars apart

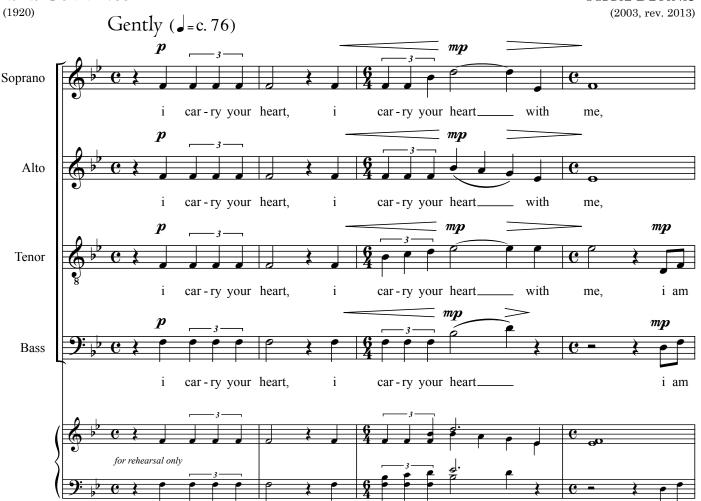
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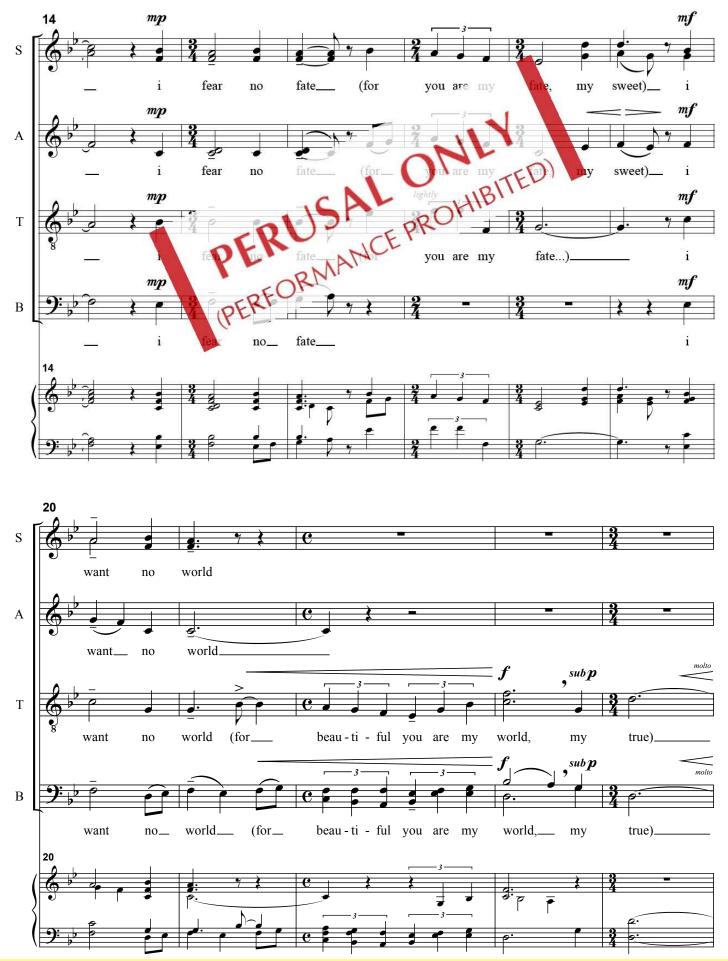
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Composer Abbie Betinis writes music called "inventive, richly melodic" (The New York Times) and "superb... whirling, soaring" (Tacoma News Tribune). A two-time McKnight Artist Fellow, listed in NPR Music's "100 Composers Under Forty," and named by Musical America as "at the vanguard of young composers writing for chorus," she has written over 60 commissioned pieces and has been composer-in-residence with The Schubert Club, The Rose Ensemble and, for a decade, The Singers—Minnesota Choral Artists.

Abbie studied composition at St. Olaf College, the University of Minnesota, and through the European American Musical Alliance, where she spent two summers in Paris, France studying harmony and counterpoint in the tradition of Nadia Boulanger. Her music is primarily published through her own Abbie Betinis Music Co., with additional scores available through Graphite Publishing, Hal Leonard, Kjos, Santa Barbara Music, and in G. Schirmer's *Dale Warland Series*.



Abbie's not the only composer in her family. Renowned Christmas carol composer Alfred Burt was her great uncle, and Abbie continues the Burt family carol tradition by writing an original carol each year and sending it as a Christmas card to friends and family.

She lives in Minnesota, where she is adjunct professor of composition at Concordia University-St Paul.



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