

Gerald Barry

The coming of winter

for mixed choir (SATB)

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Cantique
Blánaid Murphy, conductor
University College, Cork, Ireland

Duration: c. 3 minutes

I have news for you; the stag bells, winter pours summer has gone
Wind high and cold, the sun low, its course is short; the sea runs
Bracken is very red; its shape is lost; the call of the wild geese has been
Cold has seized the birds' wings; season of ice, this is the news

Swen im si sit e ci fo no seas sings drib et dezia sa dloa
la u su em ok eb sa he soog dli we het fo lak et si ep an v si nek carb
high snur aes et trohs si es ru ok sti wol met dloa high
nog sa rem mus sroup ret ni sleb gats et u of swen

Irish, 9th or 10th century

Gerald Barry's *Winter* is a setting of an Irish poem dating from the 9th or 10th century, and was commissioned for the 34th Seminar on Contemporary Choral Music at University College, Cork in May 1997. The work is notable for its idiosyncratic use of text, not only are the words of the poem sung both forwards and backwards, but the second half of the piece is given over to percussive syllables.

The complete winter and other choral music by Gerald Barry performed by Chamber Choir Ireland / Paul O'Brien is available on the CD: "Barry meets Beethoven" from Orchid Classics.

Other choral works by Gerald Barry:

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Long Time (2011)	ED 13474
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Text: 9th or 10th century Irish

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$\text{♩} = 132 *$

In one breath

mp

Soprano
Alto
Tenor

Bass

mp

* Observe all metronome marks strictly.

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has gone, Wind high and cold, the sun low in the sky, the sea runs

8

high. Brac - ken in the deep; the call of the wild

12

is - su - al; Cold has seized the birds' wings; sea - son of

ice, this is my news.

22

I have news for you; the stag bells, win - ter pours sum - mer has gone, Wind high and cold, the

27

sun low, its course is short; the sea runs high, Bruc - ken is

32

the call of the wild goose he all Gold has seized the

36

birds' wings; see of Swen

fo no seus sings drih et de - zies sa dllok la u su em ok

eb sa he soog dli we het fo lak et tsol si ep ahs sti der ir ev si nek

52

carb high snur aes et trohs si es ru ok sti wol nus et dlok dna high dni we nog

57

sa rem mus sroup ret ni sleb gats et u oi rof swen ev ah

63

Swen im si sit e ci fo no

68

ok eb wa

car high snur aes et trohs al es ru ok sti wol nus et dlok dna high dni we

nog sa rem mus sroup ret ni sleb gats et u oi rof swen ev ah i.

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SOPRANO *ff*

da da da da da da da da da da da da da da da da

ALTO

TENOR *ff*

da da da da da da da da da da da da da da da da

BASS *ff*

da da da da da da da da da da da da da da da da

[illegible]