

ALL CREATURES NOW

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JOHN BENNET (1601)

Allegro

The first system of the musical score is for five voices: Soprano (S), Alto (S), Alto (A), Tenor (T), and Bass (B). Each voice part has a staff with a treble or bass clef and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are: "All crea - tures now are". There are handwritten annotations in the Soprano and Alto parts: "Allegro" above the Soprano staff, "oh" under the first note of the Soprano staff, "the" under the first note of the Alto staff, and "may" under the second note of the Alto staff.

The second system of the musical score continues the five-voice setting. The lyrics are: "mer - ry, mer-ry, mer-ry - mind - ed, are". There are handwritten annotations: "merrily" under the first note of the Soprano staff, and "merrily" under the first note of the Alto staff.

[illegible]

mer-ry - mind-ed, the shep-herds' daughters play - ing, the

mer-ry-mind - ed, the shep-herds' daughters

mind - ed, the shep-herds' daughters play - ing, the

mer-ry-mind - ed, the shep-herds' daughters

ed, the shep-herds' daughters play - ing, the

shep-herds' daugh-ters play - ing, the
play - ing, the shep-herds' daugh-ters play - ing.
shep-herds' daugh-ters play - ing, are play-ing, are play-ing, the
play - ing, the shep-herds' daugh-ters play - ing,
shep-herds' daugh-ters play - ing, the

nymphs are fa-la-la - ing. the nymphs are fa-la-la - ing,

the nymphs are fa-la-la - ing. the nymphs are fa-la-

nymphs are fa-la-la - ing. the nymphs are fa-la-la - ing, fa-la-la-la-

the nymphs are fa-la-la - ing. the nymphs are fa-la-

nymphs are fa-la-la - ing. the nymphs are fa-la-la - ing,

the nymphs are fa - la - la - la - la - - -

la - ing, the nymphs are fa - la - la - - -

la - ing, fa - la - la - la - la - la - la - - -

la - ing, the nymphs are fa - la - la - la - la - la - - -

the nymphs are fa - la - la - la - la - - -

10 ing, yon bu - gle was well wind - - - ed. At O - ri -

ing, yon bu - gle was well wind - - - ed. At O - ri -

ing, yon bu - gle was well wind - ed. At O - ri -

ing, yon bu - gle was well wind - - - ed. At O - ri -

ing, yon bu - gle was well wind - - - ed. At O - ri -

a - na's pre - sence each thing smi - leth, the flow'rs themselves dis -

a - na's pro - - sence each thing smi - leth, the flow'rs themselves dis -

- na's pre - sence each thing smileth, the flow'rs themselves dis -

a - na's pre - sence each thing smi - - leth, the flow'rs themselves dis -

a - na's pre - sence each thing smi - leth, the flow'rs themselves dis -

15 cov - er, the flow'rs themselves dis - cov - er, birds

cov - er, the flow'rs themselves dis - - - cov - er, birds

cov - er, the flow'rs them - selves dis - cov - er, birds

cov - er, the flow'rs themselves dis - cov - er, birds

cov - er, the flow'rs themselves dis - cov - er, birds

u - ver her do ho - - - ver, mu - sic the

o - ver her do ho - - - ver, mu - sic the

o - ver her do ho - - - ver, mu - sic the

o - ver her do ho - - - ver, mu - sic the

o - ver her do ho - - - ver, mu - sic the

time be - guil - eth, mu - sic the time be - guil - eth. See

time be - guil - eth. See

time be - guil - eth, mu - sic the time be - guil - eth. See

time be - guil - eth, mu - sic the time be - guil - eth. See

time be - guil - eth. See

where she comes, see where she comes, with flow - 'ry garlands crown - ed, *more play - ed*

where she comes, see where she comes, with flow - 'ry gar - lands crown - ed,

where she comes, see where she comes, with flow - 'ry gar - lands crown - ed,

where she comes, see where she comes, with flow - 'ry gar - lands crown - ed,

where she comes, see where she comes, with flow - 'ry gar - lands crown - ed,

Queen of all queens re - nown - ed, Queen of all *M. Hall - us*

Queen of all queens re - nown - ed, Queen of all queens re - - -

Queen of all queens re - nown - ed, Queen of all queens re - - -

Queen of all queens re - nown - ed, re -

Queen of all queens re - nown - ed, Queen of all queens re -

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queens renown - ed. Then sang the shep - herds and nymphs of Di - a -

noun - - ed. Then sang the shepherds and nymphs of Di - a -

noun - - ed. Then sang the shepherds and nymphs of Di - a -

- - noun - ed. Then sang the shepherds and nymphs of Di - a -

noun - ed. Then sang the shepherds and nymphs of Di - a -

na, nymphs of Di - a - na: "Long

na, nymphs of Di - a - na: "Long — live fair O -

na, nymphs of Di - a - na: "Long live — fair O - ri -

na, nymphs of Di - a - na: "Long live fair O -

na, nymphs of Di - a - na: "Long live fair O - ri -

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live fair O - ri - a - na, O - ri - a - - - na,

- ri - a - na, long live fair O - ri - a - na, O -

a - na, long live, long live fair O - ri - a - na,

- ri - a - - - na, fair O - ri - a - - - na, long

a - na, fair O - ri - a - - - na, long

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fair O - ri - a - na, long live fair O - ri - a - - - na".

- ri - a - na, long live fair O - ri - a - na, fair O - ri - a - na".

fair O - ri - a - na, fair O - ri - a - - - na".

live fair O - ri - a - - - - - na, fair O - ri - - - a - - - na"

live fair O - ri - a - - - - - na, fair O - ri - a - - - na"

Possibly the best-known Oriana madrigal, though we know next to nothing about its composer. Oriana had already enjoyed a long life by 1601 (she was 67 when the pieras had their first hearing, but must have been flattered that her own composers should have imitated the Italian) example with this elaborate musical tribute.

"Fa-la-ta-ting" must rhyme with "playing" as must "winded" with "minded". Originally only the first soprano had a rest in bar 15, but all voices need it. The half bars here are only to guide, and not emphasise — let the words give the accent. The madrigal was originally printed one tone higher.