

To Don & Musa

Blue

arr. for high voice and piano

Poem by Don MacLennan (1997)

Music by Michael Blake (2004)

Tempo: ♩ = 56

Key Signature: One sharp (F#)

Time Signature: 3/4

Instrumentation: Voice, Piano

Lyrics: I am ob-sess'd with blue the sky,

Dynamic markings: *mp*, *pp*, *pp echo*, *p*, *mp*

Articulation: *echo*, *pp echo*

Tempo: ♩ = 56

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14

the door, the win - dow frame

19

Più mosso ♩ = 72

I pa - ed hop - ing

24

it woul - fly My friend's

più f

fa - ther taught her on - ly to draw

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33

in blue _____ That way you drew with the

37

sky it - self.

42

Tempo primo = 56
mp

You can be my _____

Tempo primo = 56
mp

I can -

mp *pp echo* *mp* *pp echo*

52

-not pe - ne - trate

56

the in - - sult of t u - ni -

60

-verse

5 Più mosso ♩ = 72

heap d on my lim - its,

5 Più mosso ♩ = 72

69 *più f*

the in - ex - pli - ca - bi - li - ty

mp

74

of why we're here when here

78

is the only ans - wer: here, blue,

warm flesh, a soa - py flan - nel on her

Tempo primo ♩ = 56
mp

87

back, and her kind

Tempo primo ♩ = 56

91

eyes at break - ist

mp

95

read - ing to - day's sad pa -

mp

a niente

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