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Was bin ich?

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Was bin ich?

for voice and piano

Nell Walden
(1997-1975)

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Langsam $\text{♩} = 32$

mf
Was bin i - ch?

Langsam $\text{♩} = 32$

mp *mf* *mp*

8va 8va 8va 8va

The first system of the score is in 4/4 time. The vocal line begins with a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and a quarter note G4. The piano accompaniment starts with a half note G3, followed by a half note F3. The piano part features a complex harmonic structure with many accidentals and dynamic markings.

5 *f*
Was bin ich? Ein _____ Ein _____

f

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The second system continues in 4/4 time. The vocal line has a half note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note G4. The piano accompaniment features a half note G3 and a half note F3. The piano part includes a section marked with a circled 8 and a dashed line, indicating an octave shift.

7 *mp* *5*
kos-misch-er Strahl! Kos - misch - er Strahl _____ Str-str-str-str-str-

mp *mf* *mf*

3 3 3

8vb

The third system is in 2/2 time. The vocal line starts with a half note G4, followed by a half note A4. The piano accompaniment begins with a half note G3 and a half note F3. The piano part includes a section marked with a circled 5 and a dashed line, indicating an octave shift.

10 *f* Sung *mp*
 ahl! Aus fer - nen

11 *mf* *f*
 Wel - ten, Ein kos-misch - er Strahl. Aus fer-nen

13
 Wel - - - - - ten, ein kos-misch - er

14 *mf* *f*
 Stra - hl! Stra - hl!

17 *8va*

l.h.

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Red.

18 **Schneller** ♩ = 46
mp

Stern ge - fun - kel, Stern ge - fun - kel,
Schneller ♩ = 46

mf mp rit. p

20

Stern - ge, stern - ge - fun - kel. Stern - ge - fun - kel, Stern - ge - fun - kel,

mf mp rit. p

legato

22

Stern - ge, Stern - ge - fun - kel, Son - nen - glanz! Mond - schein.

f b.p. p subito p

4
26

mp

Mond-schein, shu-fen mich, Mond-schein, shu-fen mich.

29

f *mp*

Shu-fen, shu-fen mich. Was bin ich? Was bin ich? Auf

mf *p* *port.*

32

cresc.

die-ser Er-de, wo fremd ich wan-dle. Wo fern ich bin, dem blau-en Licht, dem

mp

35

mf *f in großen Zügen*

blau-en Licht der Ster-ne! Dem war-men Glanz, Glanz der Sonne!

mp *mf* *f* *8va---* *8vb*

38 **Langsam** ♩ = 32

Was bin ich? Was bin ich? Bin ich? Bin ich?

Langsam ♩ = 32

f *mf* *mp*

8va

mf *mp* *p*

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41 **Jenseitig** ♩ = 56

Dem

Jenseitig ♩ = 56

pp

una corda

42

sil - brig Mond - schein weiß und keusch, dem

legato

43

sil - brig Mond - schein weiß und keusch!

44

Weiß und keusch.

rit.

45

Etwas langsamer *pp* **a tempo** *mf* *f*

Weiß und keusch. Voll Sehn - such nach! Voll Sehn -

Etwas langsamer **a tempo**

ppp *mp* *mf*

47

mf *mp*

such nach dem Jen-seits, dem Jen-seits, dem Jen - seits.

f *mf* *mp* *p* *mp*

8va *8vb*

52

mp

Ü - ber - ir - disch schon und licht.

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8va-----|

p

mp

p

55

p

Ü - ber ir - disch schon und lei - - - - - cht.

8va-----|

57

mp

Was bin ich?

gradually accelerate
trill

(8)-----|

fr

8va-----|

p

pp

Red.

8va