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Everyone Sang

for two antiphonal men's choruses (TTBB TTBB)
unaccompanied

EVERYONE suddenly burst out singing
And I was filled with such delight
As prisoned birds must find in freedom,
Winging wildly across the white
Orchards and dark-green fields; on-
and out of sight.

Everyone's voice was suddenly lifted;
And beauty came like the setting sun:
My heart was shaken with tears; and horror
Drifted away ... O, but Everyone
Was a bird; and the song was wordless; the singing will never be
done.

- Siegfried Sassoon (1920)

Text: Siegfried Sassoon (1886-1967)

Music: Eric Helmuth (b. 1965)

$\text{♩} = 40-45$ (in a moderate 1)

CHORUS I

Tenors I & II
I
Er - ery one sud - den - ly burst out sing - ing; Er - ery one

Baritone & Basses
Er - ery one sud - den - ly burst out sing - ing; Er - ery one

CHORUS II

Tenors I & II
II
Er - ery one sud - den - ly burst out sing - ing;

Baritone & Basses
Er - ery one sud - den - ly burst out sing - ing.

Piano (rehearsal only)

I
 sud-den-ly burst out sing-ing; burst out sing-ing burst out sing-ing:—
 sud-den-ly burst out sing-ing; burst out sing-ing burst out sing-ing:—

II
 burst out sing-ing burst out sing-ing out sing-ing:—
 burst out sing-ing burst out sing-ing out sing-ing:—

I
 And I was filled with such de-light
 And I was filled with such de-light

II
 And I was filled with
 And I was filled with

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I

And I was filled with such de - light such de -

II

such de - light such de - light

such de - light such de - light

23

I

light with such de - light

light with such de - light

II

de - light with such de - light As pris - oned bids must

with such de - light As pris - oned birds must

24

36 *mf* >

I free - dom! _____ As pris - ored birds must find in

mf >

free - dom! _____ As pris - ored birds must find in

II find in free - dom, _____ free - dom!

find in free - dom, _____ free - dom!

16

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43 *f* >

I free - dom, _____ free - dom! Wing - ing

free - dom, _____ free - dom! Wing - ing

II free - dom, _____ Wing - ing wild - ly a - cross the white or - chards

free - dom, _____ Wing - ing wild - ly a - cross the white or - chards

11

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50

I
 wild - by a - cross the white or-chards Wing - ing wild - by a -

II
 Wing - ing wild - by a - cross the white or-chards

Fl
 Fl

52

I
 cross the white or-chards wing - ing wild - by

II
 wing - ing wild - by a - cross the white or-chards and dark green

57
 57

64 *mf* *mp* *mf*

I or-chards and dark green fields; on, on and

or-chards and dark green fields; on, on and

II *mp* *mf*

fields; on, on and out of sight,

fields; on, on and out of sight,

65

71 *f*

I out of sight, out of sight, out of sight,

out of sight, out of sight, out of sight, of sight

II *f*

out of sight, out of sight, E-very-one's

out of sight, out of sight, E-very-one's

71

72

I
E - very-one's voice E - very-one's voice _____ was sud-den - ly

II
voice _____ was sud-den - ly lif-ted, e - very-one's voice was

voice _____ was sud-den - ly lif-ted, e - very-one's voice was

85

I
lif - ted, was lif - ted _____ And beau -

II
sud-den - ly lif - ted, _____ And beau - - ty came,

lif - ted, was lif - ted _____ And beau - - ty came,

very rich and warm

mf

mp

93

I

ty came, beau - ty came like the sun, And

ty came, beau - ty came like the sun, And

II

And beau - - ty came like the set - ting sun.

And beau - - ty came like the set - ting sun.

va

va

94

I

beau - ty came like the set - ting sun. My heart was sha - ken with

beau - ty came like the set - ting sun. My heart was sha - ken with

II

the sun.

the sun.

as before *mf*

mf

I

tears; and hor - ror drif - ted a - way.

tears; and hor - ror drif - ted a - way.

II

My heart was sha - ken with tears; and

My heart was sha - ken with tears; and

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I

O but E - very one

O but E - very one

II

hor - ror drif - ted a - way O

hor - ror drif - ted a - way O

111

111

120

I was a bird, E-very-one was a bird, and the
 was a bird, E-very-one was a bird, and the

II E-very-one was a bird, was a bird
 E-very-one was a bird, was a bird

120

I song was word-less, the sing-ing the
 song was word-less, the sing-ing the

II and the song the song was word-less, the sing-ing
 and the song the song was word-less, the sing-ing

127

134

I
sing-ing the sing-ing will ne-ver be done, ne-ver be

II
sing-ing the sing-ing will ne-ver be done, ne-ver be

the sing-ing, the sing-ing will ne-ver be ne-ver be

the sing-ing, the sing-ing will ne-ver be ne-ver be

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I
ne-ver be done, the sing-ing will ne-ver be done.

II
done, the sing-ing will ne-ver be, ne-ver be done.

done, the sing-ing will ne-ver be, ne-ver be done.

done, the sing-ing will ne-ver be, ne-ver be done.