

Autumn Song

from *Grant, Warden of the Plains*

Music: Murray Adaskin
Libretto: Mary Elizabeth Bayer

♩ = 56

mf

Maria

No time can be so sad, so lone-ly. So

P ten.

Piano

(Solo Bassoon) *mf*

4

weep with me these pri-vate tears To

p

6

mf

wel-come win-ter, To wel-come win-ter with a mourn-ful song, In

mf

9 *rit.* *a tempo*

this the dark-est time of all the years. _____

rit. *a tempo* *f*

13

No

17 *f*

time can be so long, No time can be so long, so

f

19

sa-vage So full of mise-ry, mise-ry;

21

of fears, of fears,

23

of fears; I

ff *p* *pp*

26

poco accel.

a tempo

p

sing to ex-or-cise the ghosts of cold, I

poco accel. *a tempo* *f* *pp*

28

poco accel.

a tempo

sing to ex-or-cise the ghosts of cold Who

poco accel. *a tempo*

30

come and_ haunt us, Who come and_ haunt us, haunt us, haunt us

33 *rit.* *a tempo*

as the win-ter nears...

36 *mf* *p*

No time can be so cru-el or so old, No time can be so

40 *mf*

cru - el or so old, Nor

42 *[push forward]*

I so rea-dy I must find warm love, warm heart, warm

44 *[pull back]* *calmly*

ten.

arms to warm my life, Or win-ter will be all too

[pull back] *f*

46 *rit.*

ten. ten.

lone-ly, lone-ly, too un-kind.

rit. *ten.*