

Mountain Dreams

for tenor voice and piano

Performance time 2:40

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Andante ♩=80 *p*

Voice

Piano

p

light pedal

5

loom - ing tow - er in the dis - tance, like an old and proud man

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smok - ing a fro - zen pipe in the frost - y air. _____

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I dreamed I heard the moun-tain as it

bade me ap-proach, kind-ly lead-ing me through its child

foot-hills, — beck-on-ing me to climb to its

glis-ten-ing snow-capped sum-mit.

Ped. * Ped. * Ped. *

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Program Notes

This was one of several songs my wife, Judy, and I wrote hoping to interest an American tenor in Germany to include in one of his recitals. The song is suitable also for a soprano. First performance March 2011 by Nathan Leaf (tenor) and Tom Koch (piano) at Southeastern Composers' League national conference at North Carolina State University at Raleigh.

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I dreamed I saw the mountain,
a looming tower in the distance,
like an old and proud man
smoking a frozen pipe in the frosty air.

I dreamed I heard the mountain as it
bade me approach, kindly leading me
through its child foothills, beckoning me to
climb to its glistening, snow-capped summit.

I dreamed I felt the mountain when I
touched its rocks bathed in vibrant oranges,
reds and lavenders as I ascended on rugged
stair steps to meet the man in the moon,
his translucent face ever before me.

I dreamed I heard the sounds of children
laughing, lovers whispering, music
filling my soul with a delicate yet
unforgettable magnificence as I reached
the summit and evaporated into the sunset.