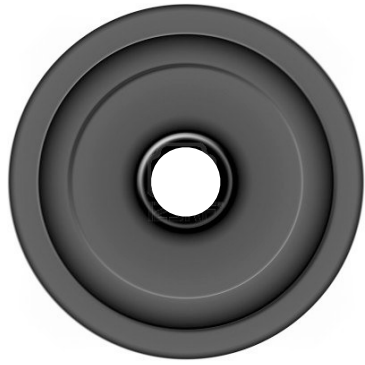


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**HARPER SONGS**  
**score**

**BOOMBOX**  
**HOLLAND**

## **REQUIEM 'HARPER SONGS'**

The requiem Harper Songs was composed 2016 with generous financial support from the Amsterdam Art Fund and is dedicated to Hans Heg at his 80th birthday.  
Premiere: November 2 2016 at the Amsterdam Muziekgebouw by

Nora Fischer - mezzo soprano  
Lavinia Meijer - harp  
Niek Kleinjan - percussion  
Christiaan Saris - percussion

percussion player 1: vibes, gongs: low E, B, as well as low C,G and A , timpani ( low E) drum,  
a mechanical combination that produces the sound of a combined snare + bass drum  
percussion player 2: marimba ( 5 octaves)

Duration: 28-30 minutes

1. Kindly fate
2. Pass on
3. Make holiday
4. Rejoice
5. Land of silence
6. Be unwearied
7. Grieve not your heart
8. When you anchor

I've been fascinated by ancient Egyptian art and culture for as long as I can remember. The Egyptian death cult, must have been a very important part of their civilisation, if you consider the incredible monuments and art objects that still exist.

Harper Songs is based on 4000 year-old Egyptian poetry about death encrypted on sarcophagus. Funerals were accompanied by a blind harpist who would sing such poems, hence the title.

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## **HARPER SONGS - lyrics**

### **1. KINDLY FATE m.1**

Kindly, kindly fate  
Death is a kindly fate.

### **2. PASS ON m.21**

All who come into being as flesh, pass on,  
and have since God walked the earth;  
Young blood mounts to their places.  
Those busy fluttering souls and bright transfigured spirits  
who come into being as flesh, pass on,  
who people the world below  
and those who shine in all the stars with Orion.  
They built their mansions and their tombs  
and all men rest in the grave.  
Bright spirits rest in their grave.  
All who come into being as flesh, pass on,  
and young blood takes their places.  
Tendered by God.

### **3. MAKE HOLIDAY m.71**

How reposed is this righteous lord,  
the kindly fate has come to pass.  
Since the time of the Gods, bodies pass away.  
New generations come in their place.  
Re shows himself at dawn.  
Atum goes to rest in the western mountains.  
Men beget, Women conceive.  
Every nostril breathes the air.  
Dawn comes and their children have gone to their tombs.  
Make holiday, oh priest!  
Put incense and fine oil together to your nostrils  
and garlands of lotus and sweet flowers to your breast.  
While your sister, who you love, sits at your side,  
put song and music before you, cast all evil behind you.  
The kindly fate has come to pass.

### **4. REJOICE m.134**

Let your heart not sink, heap up your joys,  
follow your heart and your happiness  
and do your things on earth as your heart commands!  
Hence rejoice in your heart!  
Forgetfulness profits you.  
So follow your heart as long as you live.  
Put myrrh on your head and dress in fine linen.  
Anoint yourself with oils fit for a god, heap up your joys!

Wailing saves no man from the pit! Do not weary of it!  
When there comes to you that day of mourning.  
Make holiday, do not weary of it.

#### **5. LAND OF SILENCE m.163**

Think, think of your joys, until that day has come...  
Till that day has come of landing at the realm,  
at the realm that loves silence.  
Where the heart of the one who you love does not weary, no.  
Make holiday, justified Neferhotep:  
Good priest, pure of hands, I have heard all that happened to them.  
Their buildings have crumbled.  
Their dwellings are no more...as if they had not come into being.  
Since the time of God I have heard all that happened.  
Their buildings since the time of God have crumbled.  
Their dwellings are no more, no more now.  
That day of landing at the realm that over the silence.

#### **6. BE UNWEARIED m.236**

Be unwearied and alive.  
Be unwearied, unceasing and alive, you and your own true love;  
Let not your heart be troubled during your stay on earth,  
but seize the day as it passes on earth.

#### **7. GRIEVE NOT YOUR HEART m.256**

Grieve not your heart, do not grieve your heart.  
Grieve not your heart, whatever comes; whatever!  
Grieve not your heart, but let sweet music play before you.  
Let sweet music play now.  
Let sweet music play before you.  
Let sweet music play for you.  
Recall not the evil, loathsome to God, but have joy and pleasure!

#### **8. WHEN YOU ANCHOR m 291**

Oh man, oh upright man, just and true,  
patient and kind, content with your lot, rejoicing, not speaking evil.  
Let your heart be drunk on the gift of day until that day comes when you anchor.  
Oh man.

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HARPER SONGS  
requiem  
version 2016

① =38 1. Kindly Fate

ms

hp *sustain* *p* kind- ly kind- ly

vb *slow rotor* *p*

go *p*

ma *p*

⑦

ms

hp kind- ly kind- ly fate...

vb

ma

⑬

ms

hp *mp* Death is a kind- ly fate

vb *mp*

tm *deep bass drum* *mp*

ma *mp*

17

ms *p* *mp*

Death is a kind- ly fate Death is a kind- ly fate

hp *p* *mp*

vb *p* *mp*

tm *p* *mp*

ma *p* *mp*

21

2. Pass on

ms *mp*

hp *mp*

vb *mp*

go *mp*

ma *mp*

24

ms

All who come in- to be- ing

hp

vb *8va bassa*

go

ma

28

ms  
as flesh pass on and have since God, since

hp

vb  
Sya bassa

go

ma

31

ms  
God has walked the earth, since God walked the earth Young

hp

vb

go

ma

34

ms  
blood mounts to their pla- ces. Those

hp  
mf

vb  
mf

go  
mf

ma  
mf

37

ms  
bu- sy flutte- ring souls

hp

vb

go

ma

40

ms  
and bright trans- fi- gured spi- rits

hp

vb

go

ma

43

ms  
who come in- to be- ing as flesh pass on

hp

vb

go

ma



47

ms  
 who peo- ple the world be- low

hp

vb

go

ma

*p* *mf*

50

ms  
 and those who shine in all the stars with O- ri- on. They built their

hp

vb

go

ma

53

ms  
 man- sions and their tombs, and all the men rest in their

hp

vb

go

ma

56

ms

*f* grave. bright spi- rits

hp

vb

go

ma

59

ms

rest in their grave, in their

hp

8va

vb

go

ma

61

ms

grave. And

hp

vb

go

ma

63

ms  
all who come in- to be- ing as

hp

vb

go

ma

65

ms  
flesh pass on and young blood takes their pla- ces.

hp

vb

go

ma

68

ms  
Ten- dered by God.

hp

vb

go

ma

*p*

71 3. Make holiday

ms

hp *mf*

vb

go *p*

ma *mf*

77 *mf* How re- posed is this right- eous lord the kind- ly fate has come to pass.

ms

hp

vb

go

ma

81 Since the time of the Gods Bo- dies pass a- way since the time of the gods.

ms

hp

vb *mp*

go

ma

85

ms  
New ge- ne- ra- tions come in their place, Re shows him- self at dawn. A- tum goes to rest in the wes-

hp

vb

go

ma

89

ms  
tern moun- tains. Men be- get and wo- men con- ceive.

hp

vb

go

ma

95

ms  
E- very nos- tril E- breathes the air. Dawn comes and their chil- dren have gone

hp

vb

go

ma

99

ms  
 Dawn comes and their chil- dren have gone to their tombs, make ho- li- day

hp

vb

go

ma

103

ms  
 oh priest put in- cense and fine oil to ge- ther to your nos- trils and gar- lands of lo- tus

hp

vb

go

ma

108

ms  
 and sweet flo- wers to your breast while your sis- ter who you love sits at your

hp

vb

go

ma

112

ms  
side, put song and mu- sic be- fore you, cast all e- vil be- hind you. The

hp

vb

go

ma

117

ms  
kind- ly fate has come to pass, mmm

hp

vb

go

ma

120

ms

hp

vb

go

ma

(125)

ms

hp

vb

go

ma

(131)

ms

hp

vb

go

ma

(134) 4. Rejoice

ms

hp

vb

tm

ma

Let your heart not sink, heap up your joys fol- low your heart and your hap- pi- ness and do your things on

*f*



(137)

ms  
 earth as your heart com- mands! Hence re- joice in your heart!

hp

vb

tm

ma

(139)

ms  
 For- get- ful- ness pro- fits you so fol- low your heart as long as you live! Put myrrh on your head and

hp

vb

tm

ma

(142)

ms  
 dress in fine li- nen. A- noint your- self with oils fit for a god, heap up your joys.

hp

vb

tm  
 mf

ma

146

ms  
Let your heart not sink, heap up your joys fol- low your heart and your hap- pi- ness and do your things on

hp

vb

tm

ma

149

ms  
earth as your heart com- mands! Hence re- joice in your heart! For- get- ful- ness pro- fits you so

hp

vb

tm

ma

152

ms  
fol- low your heart as long as you live! Put myrrh on your head and dress in fine li- nen. Wai- ling saves no man from the

hp

vb

tm

ma

156

ms pit! Do not wea-ry of it! When there comes to you that day of mour-ning, Make

hp

vb

tm

ma

159

ms ho- li day do not wea-ry of it!

hp

vb

tm

ma

163 5. Land of silence

ms Think, think of your joys

mp f

hp

vb sustain mp

tm

ma mp

169

ms *mp* un- til that day has come... sustain

hp *mp* *ff*

vb

tm *ff*

ma *ff*

174

ms *mp* Till that day has come of lan- ding at the *ff* realm *mp*

hp *mp* *ff* *mp*

vb *mp* *ff*

tm *ff*

ma *mp*

179

ms at the realm that loves si- lence Where the heart of the one whom

hp

vb

tm *mp*

ma

184

ms  
you love does not wea- ry, no.

hp

vb

tm

ma

187

ms  
f Make ho- li- day,

hp  
mp

vb  
mp

tm

ma  
mp

191

ms  
mp jus- ti- fied Ne- pher- ho- tep:

hp  
mp f mp

vb  
f mp

tm  
f

ma  
f mp

194

ms *mp* Good priest pure of hands, I have heard all that has

hp

vb *mp*

tm

ma

198

ms hap- pened to them Their buil- dings have crum- bled, Their buil- dings have

hp

vb

tm

ma

201

ms crum- bled, their dwel- lings are no more... As

hp *f* *mp*

vb

tm

ma *f* *mp*

205

ms  
if they had not come in- to be- ing.

hp

vb

tm

ma

*f* *mp*

208

ms  
*f* *mp* Since the time of God I have heard all

hp

vb

tm

ma

212

ms  
that hap- pened. Their buil- dings since the time of God have crum- bled.

hp

vb

tm

ma

216

ms  
 Their dwel- lings are no more are no more are no more

hp

vb

tm

ma

220

ms  
 are no more are no more now That day of lan- ding.

hp

vb

tm

ma

224

ms  
 at the realm that loves the si- lence.

hp

vb

tm

ma



(227)

ms

hp

vb

tm

ma

(230)

ms

hp

vb

tm

ma

*mp*

(233)

ms

hp

vb

tm

ma

*pp*

(236) 6. Be unweari-  
ms *pp* Be  
hp  
vb *pp*  
ma

(237)  
ms *p* un-  
hp *p*  
vb *p*  
ma

(238)  
ms wea-  
hp  
vb  
ma

(239)  
ms ried  
hp  
vb  
ma

(240)

ms *and*

hp *mf*

vb *mf*

ma *mf*

(241)

ms *a-*

hp

vb

ma

(242)

ms *p* *live.* *rallentando* *a tempo* *mf* Be un- wea-

hp *p* *rallentando* *a tempo*

vb *p* *rallentando* *a tempo*

ma *p* *rallentando* *a tempo*

(244)

ms  
ried un- cea sing and a- live, you and your own true love; let

hp  
*mf*

vb  
*mf*

ma  
*mf*

(248)

ms  
not your heart be troub- led du- ring your stay on earth, but seize

hp

vb

ma

(252)

ms  
the day as it pas- ses! on earth.

hp

vb

ma

(256) 7. Grieve not your heart

ms

Grieve not your heart, do not grieve your heart. *f*

*très enveloppé de pédale*

hp

vb

dr

ma

*mp*  
(261)

ms

hp

vb

dr

ma

snare+bass drum

*ff*

265

ms

hp

vb

dr

ma

*ff* Grieve not your

268

ms

hp

vb

dr

ma

heart what-e-ver comes; what-e-ver! Grieve not your

271

ms  
heart, but let sweet mu- sic play be- fore you; let sweet mu- sic play now. *f*

hp

vb

dr

ma

274

ms  
let sweet mu- sic play be- fore you; let sweet mu- sic play now. *ff*

hp

vb

dr

ma

(276)

ms  
 Let weat mu- sic play be- fore you let sweet mu- sic play for you.

hp

vb

dr

ma

(280) **repeat 280 - 287**

ms  
 mf Re- call not the e- vil loath- some to God, but have joy and plea- sure! Re- call not the e- vil loath- some

hp  
 sustain  
 mf

vb  
 mf  
 x = playhigh tick since you're out of the instrumentts'range

ma  
 mf



(284)

ms  
to God, but have joy, joy and plea- sure! joy and plea- sure! Re- call not the e- vil, loath- some to God but have joy and plea- sure, joy and

hp  
8va

vb

ma

(287)

ms  
plea- sure, joy and plea- sure, joy and plea- sure, joy an pleasure, joy and plea- sure, joy and plea- sure, joy and pleasure,

hp  
8va

vb

ma

(291) 8. When you anchor *molto espressivo, sometimes into forte*

ms  
*p* Oh  
*tremolo softly, bisbigliando*

hp  
*p*

vb  
*P sempre tremolo*

ma  
*p*

292

ms

hp

vb

ma

man,

293

ms

hp

vb

ma

Oh up- right man, just and true,

*add B major arpeggio clouds, very softly during this mvt*

*molto espressivo, sometimes into forte*

*molto espressivo, sometimes into forte*

*arco*

299

ms

hp

vb

go

ma

pa- tient and kind, con- tent

307

ms  
with your lot, re- joy-

hp

vb

go

ma

313

ms  
cing, not spea- king e- vil

hp

vb

ma

320

ms  
Let your heart be drunk on the

ord.

hp

vb

go

ma

329

ms  
gift of the Day un- til that day

hp

vb

ma

338

ms  
comes when you an- chor. oh man...

hp

vb

ma