

THE RAIN

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KEN STEEN

SHROUDED IN FOG, DAY-DREAMING: (♩ = c. 44 - 48)

mp freely

suddenly self-conscious...

Soprano

Try - ing — to re - mem - ber — old dreams. — A voice. — Who came

Piano

pp

raindrops falling gently into a pool of water...

Red.

cresc. poco a poco

mf

dolente gliss.

4 in. — And mean - while — the — rain, — all

p

7 day — all eve - ning, — qui - et — stea - dy

mp

11 sound. — Be - fore it grew — too

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14 *mf* *poco rit.* *mp*

dark I watched the blue ir - is lean - ing un - der the

loco

ppp *mp* *mf* *pp* *mf*

(8va)

17 *mf*

rain, the flame of the pop - pies gut - tered and

loco

pp *ppp* *mp* *pp*

Red. *

19 *mp* *secco* *p* *suddenly self-conscious...*

went out. A voice al - most - re - called.

loco

mp *ppp*

Red. *

23 *f* *mp*

There have been times the gods en - tered, en - tered a

loco

mp *f* *pp*

Red. *

25 *move ahead*

room, a room. a cave? A long en-

3 *p* 3 *f* *p* 3

S^{va}

* *Red.* *

28 *move ahead - - - -*

clo - sure where I was, the fourth

loco *a piacere*

3 *mp* 3 3 3 3

* *Red.*

30 *hold back*

wall of it too dis - tant or too dark to

cresc. 3 *f* *dramatic...* 3

loco *S^{va}*

p *f*

* *Red.* *

32 *a tempo*

see. Qui - et stea - dy

fp *a piacere* *G. P.* *p* 3 3

freely... *dramatic...* 5 6 *G. P.* loco *p* 3

p *ff* *Red.*

* *Red.* *

rit.

35 *pp* *a piacere*
lunga *p*
 sound. The

39 birds are si - lent, — no moths

loco *p*

43 move ahead *mf* *a tempo* *mp* move ahead
 at the lit win - dows. there have been hands

43 (loco) *cresc.* *mf* *mp*
 (loco) *f*

45 *f* *broaden* *mf* *f*
 laid on my shoul - ders. What has been said to me,

45 *f* *pp*
Red. (leave pedal down until the end...)

48 *mp* *p*

how — has my life re - plied? The

48 *pp* *mp*

loco

51

rain, the rain,

51 *loco*

54 *dolcissimo*

the rain...

54 *pp* *mp* *decresc. poco a poco*

(quiet steady sound...)

like the sound of raindrops, and drops of water sliding off leaves and branches into a shallow pool - like tears of joy or sorrow tapering to silence...

57 *rit.* *ppp*

(the rain...)

57 *ppp*

(quiet steady sound...)

una corda