



# The Rainbow

Mark Sirett

SA and Piano

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A graduate from the University of Iowa in choral conducting, Mark Sirett (b. 1952) is one of Canada's leading choral composers and arrangers with numerous compositions and arrangements published in the USA, UK, Sweden, Germany and Canada. On two occasions he has won 'Outstanding Choral Composition' from Choral Canada. Dr. Sirett is Founding Artistic Director of the award-winning Cantabile Choirs of Kingston, Ontario, Canada, an award-winning educational program that involves seven choirs and almost 300 singers. He is a frequent clinician, adjudicator and guest conductor. Mark was recently appointed a Member of the Order of Canada, one of the country's highest honors, in recognition of his contribution to the choral art. For further information: [www.marksirett.ca](http://www.marksirett.ca)

## Program Note

Christina Rossetti, 1830-1894, is hailed as one of the most gifted and innovative poets of the late 19th century. Her work is noted for intense feeling, its fine craftsmanship and lyricism. Most cherished of her poems include *In the bleak midwinter*, *Remember*, and *My heart is like a singing bird*, as well as the charming verses for children. Two of these verses, *The Rainbow* and *Who Has Seen the Wind?*, have been set for young voices by Canadian composer Mark Sirett. The works are dedicated to the composer's four grandchildren.

Vocal Range in this composition

S

A



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Christina Rossetti

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Gently ♩ = 90

S *mp* Boats sail on the rivers, And

A *mp* Boats sail on the rivers, And

Piano *mp*

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ships sail on the seas, But clouds that sail across the skies are

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9 *mf* *rit.* *a tempo* *mp*

pret - tier far than these, There are

pret - tier far than these, There are

*mf* *mp*

13

bridg - es on the riv - ers As pret - ty please; But the

bridg - es on the riv - ers pret - ty as you please; But the

17 *mf* *mf* *mf*

that bridg - es heav - en, and o - ver - tops the trees,

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Meno mosso ♩ = 84

20 *f* And builds a road from earth to sky, And builds a road from  
*f* And builds a road from earth to sky, And builds a road from

Meno mosso ♩ = 84

24 earth to sky, — Is pret - tier far,  
earth to sky, — *mp* Is pret - tier far,

*mp*

28 - tier far than these. — *p*  
pret - tier far than these. — *p*

*p* *pp*