

My Gifts to Keep

music: David Hamilton (1998)
text: Bryn Chernek

The musical score consists of three staves: Soprano, Alto, and Piano. The key signature is A major (two sharps), and the time signature is common time (indicated by a '4'). The tempo is marked as $\text{♩} = 112$.

Soprano and Alto Staves:

- Measure 1: The Soprano and Alto sing "Tell me a sto- ry". The piano accompaniment consists of eighth-note chords.
- Measure 2: The piano continues its eighth-note pattern.
- Measure 3: The piano accompaniment is marked p (piano).
- Measure 4: The piano accompaniment is marked Ped. (pedal) and then (sim.) (similar).

Piano Staff:

- Measure 5: The piano plays eighth-note chords.
- Measure 6: The piano plays eighth-note chords.
- Measure 7: The piano plays eighth-note chords.
- Measure 8: The piano plays eighth-note chords.
- Measure 9: The piano plays eighth-note chords.

Text:

1. Tell me a story
2. parched pa-per and twine,
 mp of seeds in the
 all other voices
3. p mm-
4. mp
5. win-dow-box dreams on the vine that grew through the

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S. a- ges, **p** then were, then
A. **p** then were, then

Pno.

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S. past. *Sopranos*
A. past. *Altos*

Soprano: **mp** Save me the
Alto: **mp** Save me the dew that

Pno.

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S. dew on the blade, **mf** o- pal-esce
A. clung to the blade,

Pno.