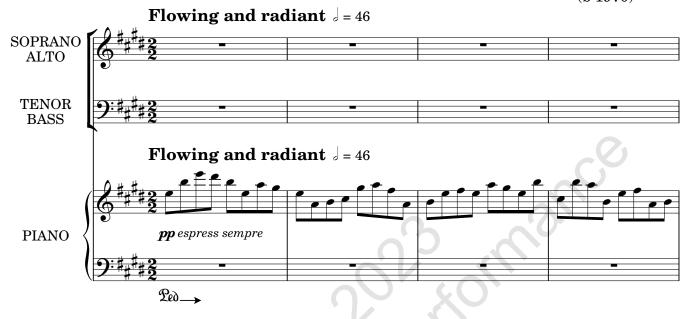
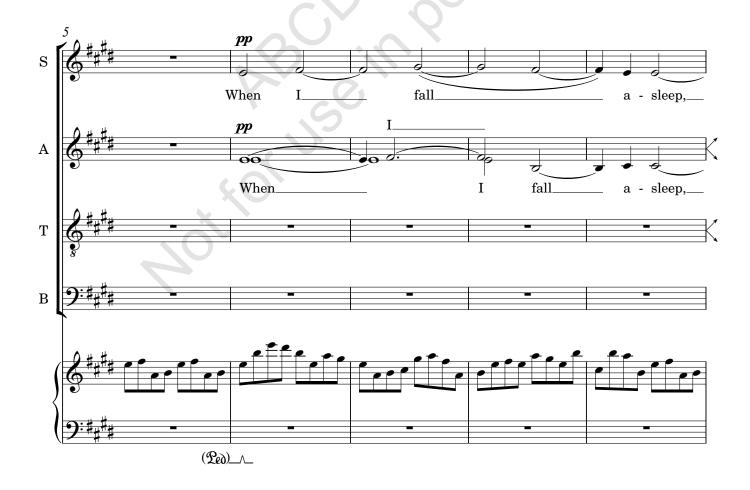
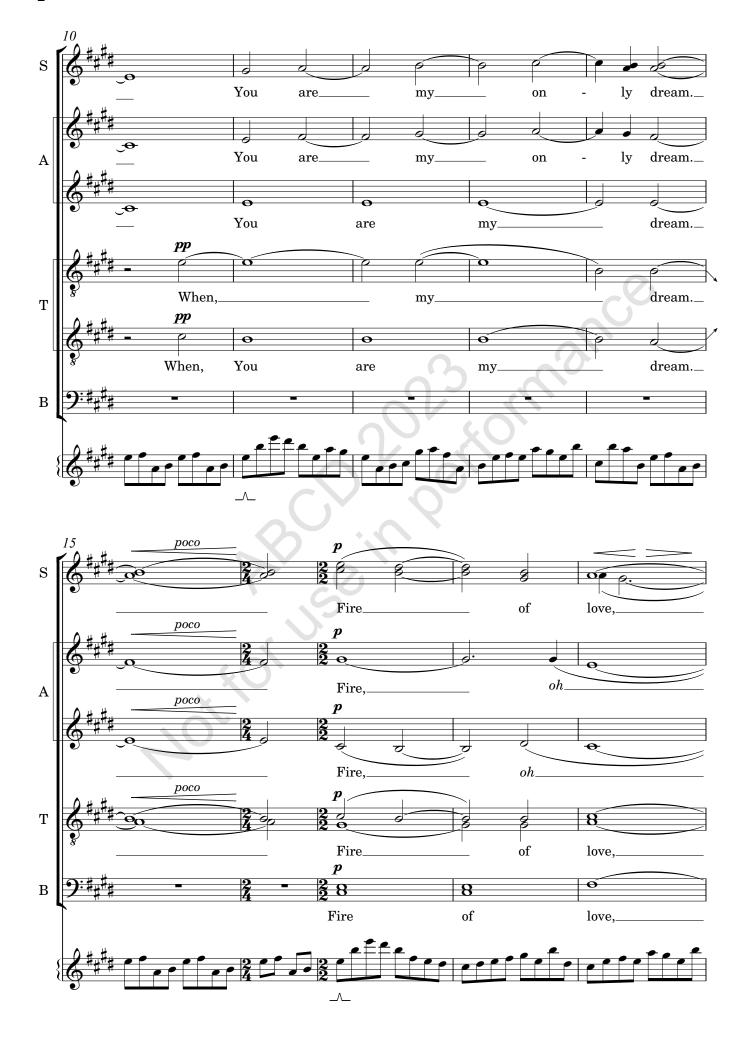
For Julia and Henry

FIRE OF LOVE

Words and music by WILL TODD (b 1970)



















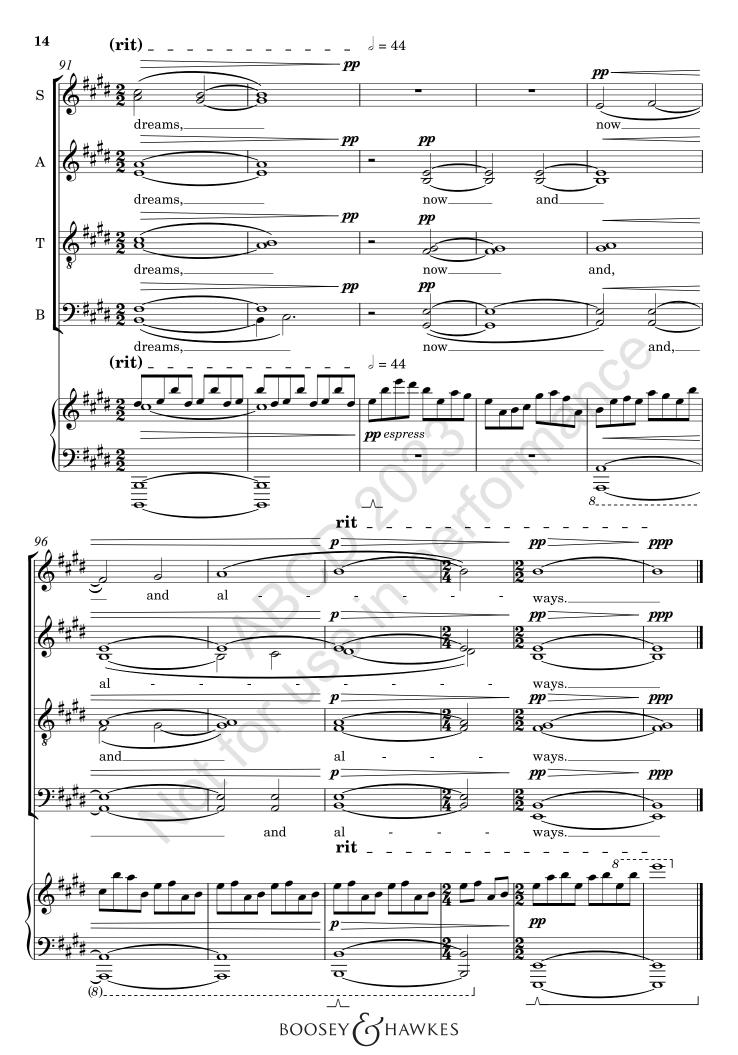












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Composer's note

Fire of Love was first performed on 22 March 2016 at St Botolph-without-Bishopsgate, London. It began life as an extended piano improvisation, and the piano line runs continuously throughout the piece. The voices and words, which I wrote myself, are woven around this inner texture and so the singing should be as sustained as possible. Aim for a real sheen on the sound, particularly at the climactic moments.

Text

When I fall asleep, You are my only dream. Fire of love, you hold my heart now and always

You are everything; I change my course for you. Light never shone so bright or far. When I fall asleep, You are my only dream, And when I wake, all my day is for you.

You are everything; I change my course for you. Fire of love, you hold my heart.

You are my dreams, now and always.

Will Todd

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English composer and performer Will Todd is well known for his beautiful and exciting music, encompassing choral works large and small, opera, musical theatre and orchestral pieces, as well as jazz compositions and chamber works. Best known for his choral music, his *Mass in Blue* has been performed hundreds of times by choirs all around the world. Notable smaller works for choir include the anthem *The Lord is my shepherd*, available for both upper and mixed voices, and his arrangement of *Amazing Grace*, which was performed at President Obama's Inauguration Day prayer service and as part of the BBC's Nelson Mandela Thanksgiving Service. He has collaborated with award winning choirs The Sixteen and Tenebrae, as well as with the BBC Singers, The Bach Choir, St Martin's Voices, the Genesis Foundation and major orchestras and opera companies. Will's music continues to be in demand by performers amateur and professional, and he enjoys a busy international schedule of commissions, performances and conducting appearances.

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