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# Rain In Summer

*for SATB a capella*

**(2018)**

text by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (1807-1882)

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# Rain In Summer (excerpt)

for unaccompanied chorus SATB

Text: Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (1807-1882)

Music: Inna G. Onofrei

Duration: 3 minutes

How beautiful is the rain!  
After the dust and heat,  
In the broad and fiery street,  
In the narrow lane,  
How beautiful is the rain!  
How it clatters along the roofs,  
Like the tramp of hoofs  
How it gushes and struggles out  
From the throat of the overflowing spout!  
Across the window-pane  
It pours and pours;  
And swift and wide,  
With a muddy tide,  
Like a river down the gutter roars  
The rain, the welcome rain!

## Program Note

**Rain in summer (2018)** is a song scored for a choir SATB a cappella, set to a poem excerpt from a poem "Rain in summer" by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, published in 1866. This poem is a celebration of changing nature, of water falling to the ground. Author reminds readers that the rain cools off the dusty streets and comes tempting on roofs like the sound of hoofs.

# RAIN IN SUMMER

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**Calmly** ♩ = 60

Soprano *p* Rain, sum-mer, rain, rain, rain, sum-mer, rain. rain. How beau-ti-ful is the rain! — *con moto* *mp*

Alto *p* in sum-mer, rain, rain, in sum-mer, rain,

Tenor *p* Rain, rain, rain, rain, rain, rain, rain, How beau-ti-ful is the rain! *mp*

Bass *p* Rain, rain, rain, rain, rain, rain, rain,

PIANO (only for rehearsal) *p* *con moto* *mp*

7 *mf* *p* *mp* *mf*

Af-ter the dust and heat, In the broad and fie-ry street, in the nar-row lane, In the broad and fie-ry street,

*mf* *p* *mp* *mf*

Af-ter the dust and heat, In the broad and fie-ry street, in the nar-row lane, In the broad and fie-ry street,

*mf* *p* *mp* *mf*

Af-ter the dust and heat, In the broad and fie-ry street, in the nar-row lane, In the broad and fie-ry street,

*mf* *p* *p*

Af-ter the dust and heat, Rain! Rain! Rain! In the broad and fie-ry street, in the nar-row

*mf* *p* *mp* *mf*

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*f* *mp* *mf*

in the nar-row lane, How beau-ti-ful is the rain!\_\_\_\_\_ How beau-ti-ful is the rain!\_\_\_ How it clat-ters a-long the roof,

*f* *mp* *mf*

in the nar-row lane, How beau-ti-ful is the rain!\_\_\_\_\_ How beau ti-ful is the rain!\_\_\_ How it

*f* *mp* *p*

in the nar-row lane, How beau-ti-ful is the rain!\_\_\_\_\_ How beau-ti-ful is the rain!\_\_\_ rain, rain,

*f* *mp* *p*

lane, How beau-ti-ful is the rain!\_\_\_\_\_ How beau-ti-ful is the rain!\_\_\_ rain, rain,

*f* *mp* *mf* *p*

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*p*

Like the tramp of hoofs! rain, rain, rain, rain, rain, rain,

*p*

clat-ters a-long the roof, tramp of hoofs! rain, rain, rain, rain, rain, rain,

*mf*

rain, rain, rain, like a tramp of hoofs! How it gu-shes and stug-gles out, o-ver-flow-ing

*mf*

rain, rain, rain, like a tramp of hoofs! from the throat of the o-ver-flow-ing

*p* *mf*