

SAMPLE - FOR PERUSAL ONLY

**Loretta K. Notareschi**

**Italia mia**

*For SATB Chorus*

DMC-07



## *Italia mia* for SATB Chorus

### **About the Music**

Petrarch's remarkable canzona, *Italia Mia*, is a plea for peace among the warring factions in late medieval Italy. Of his eight original stanzas, I have set six. My setting revolves around an *idee fixe* made out of minor thirds, emphasizing the bittersweet nature of Petrach's plea. I also invoke the mainly syllabic style of Renaissance Italian madrigals, but break into melismatic sighs in the last movement, whose final phrase expresses Petrarch's poignant wish for his country: "Who will assure me? I go my way crying 'Peace, peace, peace!'"

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### **About the Composer**

Loretta K. Notareschi explores the passionate, irreverent, and transcendent in her many compositions for chamber ensemble, large ensemble, and chorus. Born in Canton, Ohio and raised in Stillwater, Oklahoma, she has received awards from the IronWorks Percussion Duo, the American Composers Forum, Ensemble Eleven, and the GALA Choruses. Her music has been performed across the U.S., in Europe, and in South America and is published by Disegni Music (ASCAP), Friedrich Hofmeister, and Bachovich.

Notareschi is an associate professor of music at Regis University and a faculty member of The Walden School. She is also a member of ASCAP and the American Composers Forum. She holds a Masters and PhD in composition from the University of California at Berkeley, a Bachelor of Music in composition from the University of Southern California, and the General Diploma from the Zoltán Kodály Pedagogical Institute of Music in Kecskemét, Hungary, where she was a Fulbright Scholar. Her primary teachers in composition have been Morten Lauridsen, Erica Muhl, Rick Lesemann, Cindy Cox, and Jorge Liderman.

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*For the Sacred and Profane Chamber Chorus*

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Francesco Petrarch

## Italia mia

### I. Italia mia

*f* = ca. 72  
Urgently

SOPRANO  
ALTO  
TENOR  
BASS

Loretta K. Notareschi

Soprano: I-ta lia mi - a, I-ta lia mi - a, ben che, I-ta lia mi - a, I-ta lia  
Alto: I-ta lia mi - a, I-ta lia mi - a, I-ta lia mi - a, I-ta lia  
Tenor: I-ta lia mi - a, I-ta lia mi - a, I-ta lia mi - a, ben che par lar,  
Bass: I-ta lia mi - a, I-ta lia mi - a, I-ta lia mi - a, ben che par lar,

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4 *mf*  
mi - a, ben che par lar ——————  
*mf* 3 3  
A. mi - a,————— a le pi-a-ghe mor-ta - li ——————  
T. mi - a,—————  
B. mi - a,—————  
Pno. *mf*  
*mf* 3 3

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S. a - ce - mi al-men che'mi - ei sos - spir

A. a - ce - mi al-men che'mi - ei sos - spir sian qua - li spe-ra'l Te - ve - ro et l'Ar-no e'l Po, do - ve do -

T.

B.

Pno. fp , mf =

II

S. *f*

A. *f*

T. *f*

B. *f*

Pno.

**A**

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**B**

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S. dus-se in ter - ra Ti vol - ga al tuo di - let - to al-mo pa - e - se ve-di, Si-gnor cor-te - se, di che li -

A. dus-se in ter - ra

T. dus-se in ter - ra

B. dus-se in ter - ra

Pno.

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S. e - vi ca gion che cru-del guer - ra; e i cor' che'n-du - ra et ser - ra Mar-te su-per-bo et fe - ro

A. e - vi ca gion che cru-del guer - ra; e i cor' che'n du - ra et ser - ra Mar-te su-per-bo et fe - ro

T. e - vi ca gion che cru-del guer - ra; e i cor'

B. e - vi ca gion che cru-del guer - ra e i cor'

Pno.

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S. a - pri tu, Pa - dre, e'n te - ner - i - sci et sno - da i - vi fa' che'l

A. *ff* a - pri tu, Pa - dre, e'n te - ner - i - sci et sno - da *mp* i - vi fa' che'l

T. *ff* a - pri tu, Pa - dre, e'n te - ner - i - sci et sno - da *mp* i - vi fa' che'l

B. *ff* a - pri tu, Pa - dre, e'n te - ner - i - sci et sno - da

Pno. **C** *ff* *v* *mp*

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S. tu - o ve - ro

A. tu - o ve - ro

T. 8 qual io mi si - a per la mia lin - gua s'o - da

B. qual io mi si - a per la mia lin - gua s'o - da

Pno.

rit. attacca

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II. Voi cui Fortuna

**SOPRANO**

*p* <> <> <> <> *mp* *sub. p* <> *mp* *mp* *3*

Voi Voi Voi cui For-tu-na à po-sto in

**ALTO**

*p* <> <> <> <> *mp* *sub. p* <> *mp* *3*

Voi Voi Voi cui For-tu-na à po-sto in

**TENOR**

*p* <> <> <> <> *mp* *sub. p* <> *mp* *3*

Voi Voi Voi cui For-tu-na à po-sto in

**BASS**

*p* (stagger breathing)

(da) *p* <> <> <> <> *mp* *sub. p* <> *mp* *3*

Voi

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*p* <> <> <> <> *mp* *sub. p* <> *mp* *3*

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S. *p* *mp* *p*

A. *p* *mp* *p*

T. *p* *mp* *p*

B. *p* *mp* *3* *3* *p*

Pno. *p* *mp* *p*

ma - no il fre - no de le belle contra - de Che fan

ma - no il fre - no de le belle contra - de

ma - no il fre - no de le belle contra - de

ma - no il fre - no de le belle contra - de Che

Voi (di che nul - la pie - tà par che vi strin - ga):

**A** *mf*

*mf*

*mf*