

# Song of the Sky

Montana is home to Flathead Lake, the largest freshwater lake west of the Mississippi River. The lake takes its name from the Flathead Indian tribe, also known as the Salish, who live on its southern banks. Traditional Salish music is performed on the flageolet (or "love flute") and the drum. Long ago, love flutes were played only at night by young men who wished to serenade their sweethearts. "Song of the Sky" is reminiscent of such a serenade, with its lyrical melodic line and soothing, warm harmonies.

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*Sereno e misterioso* *a tempo*

*mp* *ad libitum* *più mosso*

*Lento religioso* ( $\text{♩} = 69$ )

*più mosso* *poco rit.* *mf*

*mp*