## Cantando La Música Translation

Canto, I sing,

Estoy cantando la música. I am singing the music.

Lai lai lai...

La la la...

Yo soy el canto, I am the song, La melodía, The melody, La harmonía, The harmony, Encantadora. Enchantress.

Yo soy el sueño

Que está soñando

Y respirando

La Música.

I am the dream

That is dreaming

And breathing

The Music.

## **Pronunciation**

- a like a in English father e.g., canto, cantando, melodía
- e when stressed, like a in English pay e.g., sueño when unstressed, like in English bet e.g., el,
- i like i in English machine, e.g., respirando, música
- o like o in English obey e.g., Canto, melodía, harmonía
- u like u in English rule e.g, música
- ñ like the ni sound in the English word onion e.g., sueño, soñando
- y like ee in English feet
- ai like the English eye e. g., lai
- oy like the English word boy e.g., soy, estoy

The acute accent denotes word stress only.

## **Percussion notes:**

The percussion instruments are suggestions only and the conductor is encouraged to experiment with different sounds.

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