Stella celi

Motet from the Old Hall Manuscript (late 14th c.)

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Introduction

Over the last year or so, I've been arranging early music repertoire for myself to sing while playing the piano. I'd like to share this wonderful music with you, and to encourage you to rearrange it to your own tastes and abilities: for example, by transposing it to a different register, changing the instrumentation, or making the counterpoint simpler or more complex. MuseScore and MusicXML source files are available to make such alterations as painless as possible.

Source

I transcribed the composition from digital images of the Old Hall Manuscript, available on the DIAMM website here:

https://www.diamm.ac.uk/sources/210/#/

Text

Latin text

Stella celi extirpavit
Que lactavit Dominum
Mortis pestem, quam plantavit
Primus parens hominum.
Ipsa stella nunc dignetur
Sidera compescere;
Quorum bella plebem cedunt
Dire mortis ulcere.

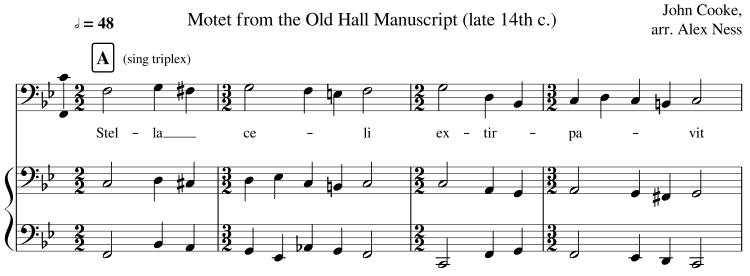
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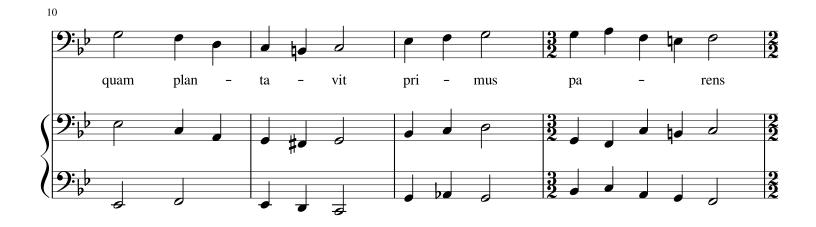
Pronunciation (IPA)

stel ːa t∫eli ɛkstirpavit kwe laktavit dominum mortis pestem kwam plantavit primus parens ominum ipsa stel ːa nuŋk dinetur sidera kompɛ∫ere kworum bel ːa plebem t∫edunt dire mortis ult∫ere



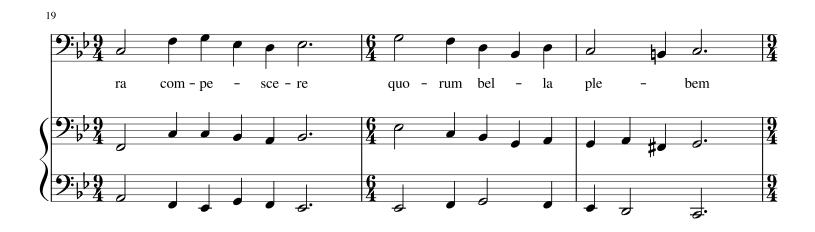


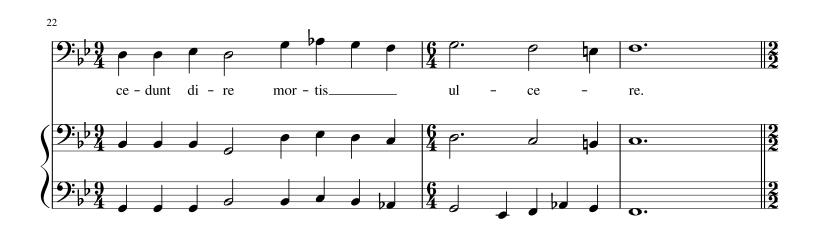








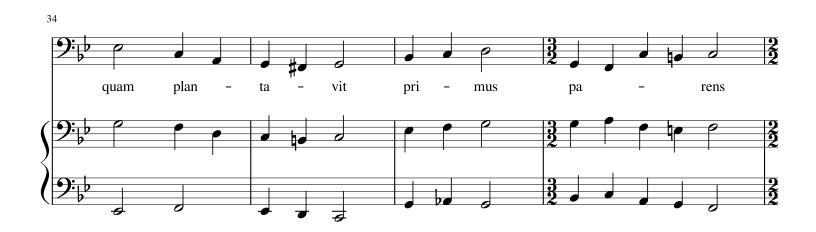




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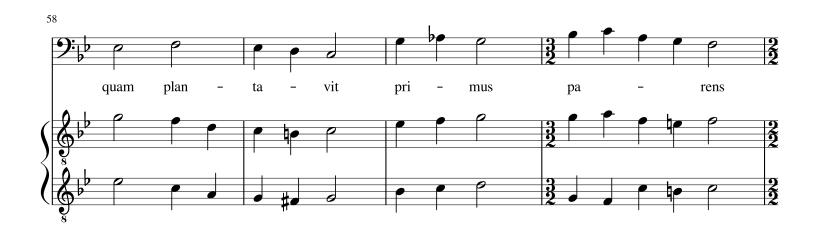




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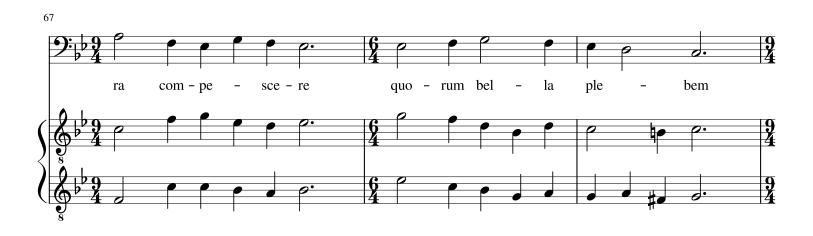


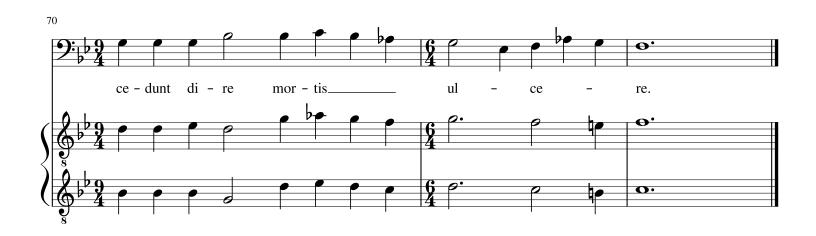


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