# LOREENA MCKENNITT SHEET MUSIC

PIANO • HARP • VOCAL

### Courtyard Lullaby

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These sheet music arrangements have been prepared in the spirit of Loreena's recordings.

Although these are accurate, easy to play arrangements which in their simplicity will sound lovely on their own, you will get the most out of the music if you use the printed page as a guide to doing your own personal arrangements.

The vocal and instrumental melodies are accurately transcribed just as Loreena recorded them.

For the accompaniments, feel free to improvise on the written parts using the printed notes or chord symbols as a guide.

For the instrumental songs, you may also substitute any melodic instrument for any of the written melodies.

For those pieces that incorporate a hand percussion part feel free to use any combination of hand drums or percussion to accompany the song. The rhythms provided here are just guides to the basic rhythm of the arrangement and will sound best if you add your own variations.

The most important thing is to have fun with the music and to enjoy playing Loreena's compositions and arrangements in the joyous spirit of how they were created.

Voice

Piano/Harp

## Courtyard Lullaby

Lever harp players: set the C that is 2 octaves above middle C to  $C \$ . All of the D notes in this piece are  $D \$ .



















### Courtyard Lullaby LYRICS

#### 1.

Wherein the deep night sky
The stars lie in its embrace
The courtyard still in its sleep
And peace comes over your face.

#### "2.

Come to me," it sings
"Hear the pulse of the land
The ocean's rhythms pull
To hold your heart in its hand."

#### 3.

And when the wind draws strong Across the cypress trees The nightbirds cease their songs So gathers memories.

#### 4.

Last night you spoke of a dream Where forests stretched to the east And each bird sang its song A unicorn joined in a feast

#### 5.

And in a corner stood A pomegranate tree With wild flowers there No mortal eye could see

#### 6.

Yet still some mystery befalls Sure as the cock crows at morn The world in stillness keeps The secret of babes to be born

#### 7.

I heard an old voice say
"Don't go far from the land
The seasons have their way
No mortal can understand."