

Written in Memory of Patricia Lawrence, the Composer's Sister-in-Law.

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# The Boybeetle's Song

## "Oh Scarlet Poppy"

from *The Butterfly's Evil Spell*  
Act One, scene four

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Score

The sensitive Boybeetle, sitting on a white pebble, and holding his red poppy, is writing a poem on a piece of tree bark. During the song, Sylvia enters, hidden, shading herself with a daisy. She listens, so much in love with him, and hopelessly broken-hearted.

Very slowly ♩=100

Piano

Boy Beetle

7 *delicately*

Oh Scar - let Pop - py who oe'r all the mea - dow gaze, would that I were just as

Piano

Boy Beetle

11 *Freely, in an improvisatory manner* ♩=80

love - ly as you, that I were as love-ly as you. Your gown paints the sky, with a scar-let

Piano

*colla voce*