

# WHY AIN'T WE FREE?

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presents

## MY DARLIN' AIDA

*A Musical Play Based On Verdi's Opera Aida*

by  
CHARLES FRIEDMAN

Music by  
GIUSEPPE VERDI

Supervised and Lighted by  
HASSARD SHORT

Directed by MR. FRIEDMAN

Production designed and costumed by LEMUEL AYERS

Choreography by HANYA HOLM

Musical Director, FRANZ ALLERS

Choral Director, ROBERT SHAW

KING COTTON  
ME AND LEE  
WHY AIN'T WE FREE  
MY DARLIN' AIDA

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# Why Ain't We Free?

"My Darlin' Aida"

Words by  
CHARLES FRIEDMAN

Music by  
GIUSEPPE VERDI

Andante

Voice

Piano

*mf*

1. Birds are fly - in' in the

sky — And fish are swim-min' in the sea, Free!

Free! Lord, why ain't we free?

*f* *pp*

Cross burning on the hill - top, Bright warn-ing on the hill Knights of the White Cross.

*pp* *rit.*

2. Clouds are wan-drin' in the air, And

*mf a tempo*

leaves are danc-in' on the tree, Free! Free!

Lord why ain't we free? Bold hood-ed rid-ers

*pp*

rid - ing last moon es-cort - ed ride Knights of the White Cross.

*rit.*

Four outstanding

# STANDARD SONGS

## 1 I Heard A Forest Praying

Words by SAM M. LEWIS

Music by PETER DE ROSE

Con moto  
Piano

Sostenuto  
(The Dream)  
I heard a for - est pray - ing. The trees were old and bare,  
What was the for - est say - ing. Let me re - post their

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## I'll Walk Beside You

Words by EDWARD LOCKTON

Music by ALAN MURRAY

VOICE  
Piano

Slowly (with expression)

White  
walk be - side you through the world to - day.  
I'll look in -  
dreams and songs and flow - ers bless your way.

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## 2 Christopher Robin Is Saying His Prayers

Words by A. A. MILNE

Music by H. FRASER - SIMSON

Sleepily  
VOICE  
Piano

from "When we were very young"  
Lit - tle boy kneels at the foot of the bed,  
Droops on the lit - tle hands lit - tle gold head. Hush! Hush! Whis - per who dares!  
Chris - to - pher Rob - in is say - ing his prayers. God bless Mum - my, I  
that's right! Was - n't it fun in the bath to - night? The

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## I Saw A Star Tonight

Words by LESTER O'KEEFE

Music by WILLIAM STICKLES

Moderato  
Piano

My eyes be - held to - night A love - ly thing to see;  
Now I have words to tell you Just what you mean to me.

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