

Spirit of the summertime / Song

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An evocation of the summer.

William Allingham was born at Ballyshannon, Donegal in Ireland on March 19th, 1824. His most well known poem is 'The fairies / Up the airy mountain'. Music by Dany Rosevear.

Oh, spir - it sweet of sum - mer - time, Bring back the ros - es to the
dells, The swal - low from her dis - tant clime, The hon - ey bee from drow - sy cells.

The musical score is written on two staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the poem, with chords G, Am, D, G, and D7 indicated above the notes. The second staff contains the melody for the second line, with chords G, C, G, Em, D7, and G indicated above the notes. The piece ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.



Oh spirit sweet of summertime !
Bring back the roses to the dells;
The swallow from her distant clime,
The honey-bee from drowsy cells.

Bring back the friendship of the sun ;
The gilded evenings, calm and late,
When merry children homeward run,
And peeping stars bid lovers wait.

Bring back the singing; bring the scent
Of meadowlands at dewy prime;
Oh, bring again my heart's content,
Thou Spirit sweet of summertime