In This Town The Last House Stands
from "Five Poems of Rainer Maria Rilke"

Music by Mark Abel

Soprano

\[ \text{In this town the last house stands} \]
\[ \text{as lonely as if it were the} \]

Piano

\[ \text{last house in the world} \]

\[ \text{The highway, which the tiny town is not able to} \]

\[ \text{stop, slowly goes deeper} \]

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out into the night.

molto rit.

The tiny town

A little faster

is only a passing over place
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\[ \text{worried...} \]
\[ \text{be-tween... two huge spaces... a} \]
\[ \text{intensify rit.} \]
\[ \text{run-pass houses... instead...} \]
\[ \text{molto rit.} \]
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\[ J = 86 \]

lonely, distant

And those who leave the town wander

\[ J = 86 \]

a long way off

\[ J = 60 \]

intimately

and many perhaps die on the road