

NCCO Choral Series

The Cat and the Moon

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This setting of a Yeats poem is light, playful, and delightful. It describes the relationship between the Cat (called Minnaloushe) and the Moon. This distant yet powerful attraction might parallel Yeats's real-life affection for Maud Gonne, the owner of an actual cat named Minnaloushe. She never felt as strongly about him as he did about her. And so it is with *The Cat and the Moon*! Part of the National Collegiate Choral Organization Choral Series/NCCO Series.

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