

Herman Rechberger (1947–2022)

SEVEN CAT SONGS

for baritone and piano

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V. A SONG ABOUT TWO CATS

Herman Rechberger

Adagietto ♩ = 76

Bar. *mf* >

Two cats one up a tree, one un-der the tree.

Pf. *f* *mf*

5 *f* *mp* *sfz*

The cat up a tree is HE! The cat un-der the tree is SHE!

8 *pp* *p* 3 3

The tree is a witch elm just in - ci - den - tal - ly.

12 *mf* 3 3

He takes no no - tice of SHE, SHE takes no no - tice of HE!

VI. THE BLACK-CAT-LUCK

Herman Rechberger

Mysterious "Four-step" ♩ = 68

Pf.

6 *mf*

A cat as black as black-est coal Is

6

11 *p*

out upon his midnight-stroll, His steps are soft His walk is slow, His

11

15

eyes are gold, They flash and glow.

15

VII. ALL KINDS OF CATS

Herman Rechberger

Like a Blues ♩ = 74

Bar. *mf* Lazy cats and wanderers,

5 *mf* ac - tive_ cats and pon-de-rers, plump cats and thin____ cats,

8 sad and Che-shire grin cats. Dumpy ones and tall ones, old cats, bold cats.

12 *p* Peace - ful ones and figh - - - - - ters, *f*

12 *p*