No. 1 ENGLAND, ARISE!

for piano, voice and electronics

EDWARD CARPENTER / LUKE STONEHAM

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The Edward Carpenter song should be recorded as found (for the première, I multi-tracked myself singing it). This recording should then be loaded onto an iPod or equivalent, and this, with its standard consumer-product headphones (plugged into the iPod and lying next to it), positioned on the piano beside its music stand (on the side closest to the audience).

A volume level for the recorded music should be established prior to the performance. It should be audible to the audience as spill from the headphones.

During the concert, then, the pianist switches the machine on, and *accompanies* the recording, verse by verse. This live component should be sufficiently soft so as not to mask the recorded 'choir': *No. 1 England, arise!* is a very quiet piece.

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Over your face a web of lies is woven,

Laws that are falsehoods pin you to the ground,
Labour is mocked, its just reward is stolen,
On its bent back sits Idleness encrowned.

How long, while you sleep,

Your harvest shall it reap? Arise, O England, for the day is here! Forth, then, we heroes, patriots, and lovers!
Comrades of danger, poverty, and scorn!
Mighty in faith of Freedom your great Mother,
Giants refreshed in Joy's new-vising morn!
Come and swell the song.
Silent now so long:
England is viscu!—and the day is here.