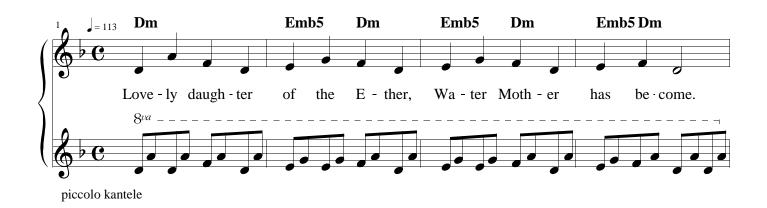
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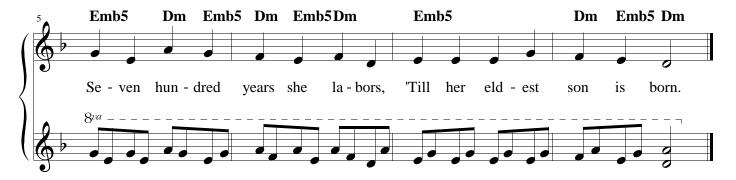
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## Väinämöinen's Birth

Composer: Lani K. Thompson Lyrics by Lani K. Thompson (except as noted)





- 2. Take me, thou, O Bear of Heaven\* Take me, thou, O Sun, I pray.\* Take me, thou, O Moon, above me, Let me see the light of day.
- 3. Let me wander from the ocean Let me walk upon the sand. Let me see the moon and sunlight And the Great Bear's starry land.
- 4. But the moon refused to free him.

  And the sun would give no aid.

  Neither would the Great Bear lead him

  From the fortress where he lay.

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- 5. Bursts he then the outer portals\*, Swims he through the deep blue sea. Steps he then from out the water, Stands erect and starts to breathe.
- 6. Sees he then the silver sunshine, Sees the golden moonlight, too. Sees the Great Bear and the white stars --Väinämöinen, hero true!
- \* = line from the 1888 translation of The Kalevala by J. M. Crawford.