

Christmas is Coming

Music & Lyrics © Alan E.Kingshott

Christmas is Coming, Christmas is Coming

1. There is magic in the air, I can feel it everywhere,
Everywhere I look, I find,
There's a smile on the face of the whole human race,
It's a look of a special kind,
And it's spelling out a sign.

Chorus

C for the cheer at this time of the year,
H for the Holly and the Ivy,
R for the ringing of the bells on high
And I for the Innocent Baby.
S for the singing of the choir;
Singing the songs of love and joy,
T for the tree by the fire,
With all of the gifts for each girl and boy.
M for the merriment , and Mary too;
A for the angels adoring,
S for the season of goodwill,
Christmas I tell you is Coming



2. With the hush of a sound
There is snow upon the ground,
It's a winter wonderland.
Mr Robin on the wing
Has a song he will sing,
And he hopes you'll understand,
It's a song for everyman

Chorus

Last lines: Christmas I tell you is Coming,
Christmas I tell you is Coming,
Christmas is Coming , Christmas is here!

This song was composed and written on the beach at Charmouth, on a hot summer's day. I had been asked to write the songs for a new adaptation of Dicken's wonderful story "A Christmas Carol". I remember that the beach was alive with fossil collectors , tapping away at the bottom of the cliffs. The sound they made gave me the rhythm for the song, and the score was I believe one of the best things I have written.

The Holy Cross Players later featured this song and others for their pantomime version of the tale on no less than three occasions.

Finally the Young Theatre at Beaconsfield did me proud in 2007, with a new adaptation of the tale and a very talented cast and musical director who orchestrated the score to a whole new level.