

Lyrics by IRA GERSHWIN

Music by KURT WEILL

Arranged by DAVE RIVELLO

## **INSTRUMENTATION**

Conductor 1st Trombone 1st E♭ Alto Saxophone 2nd Trombone 2nd El Alto Saxophone 3rd Trombone 1st By Tenor Saxophone **Bass Trombone** 2nd By Tenor Saxophone **Guitar Chords** Baritone Saxophone Guitar 1st B♭ Trumpet Piano 2nd B♭ Trumpet Bass 3rd B<sub>b</sub> Trumpet Drums 4th B Trumpet

**Optional Alternate Parts** 

C Flute

Tuba

Horn in F (Doubles 1st Trombone)

1st Baritone T.C./B, Tenor Saxophone (Doubles 1st Trombone)
2nd Baritone T.C./B, Tenor Saxophone (Doubles 2nd Trombone)
3rd Baritone T.C./B, Tenor Saxophone (Doubles 3rd Trombone)





## NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

The overall feel of this arrangement should be light and relaxed. For the wind players, the articulation and phrasing have been carefully marked. The ends of phrases should be held the full value of the note. Clean releases will make your band sound polished and more professional. Special attention should be paid to the roof-top accent (\*A) which should not be played too short—think "daht." Except where marked otherwise, all phrases should be played legato.

Careful attention should be paid to the subtle articulation differences in the phrasing of the melody. For example, in measure 18, the "and" of beat 3 is detached yet part of the melodic phrase. However, a similar figure occurs in measure 34, but the "and" of 3 is played long as indicated with the tenuto marking.

If flugelhorns are not available, trumpets can play slightly into the stand to simulate the flugelhorn timbre on parts marked for flugelhorn. However, if possible, trumpet 2 should play flugelhorn as indicated as that is the most crucial flugelhorn part.

The bass trombone should play the lower notes if possible when given the choice of an upper and lower octave.

A suggested written-out solo is provided for the baritone sax in measure 108; however, the more experienced player is encouraged to improvise his or her own solo. The written solo is also cued in the tenor 1 part. These cues are provided only if there is no baritone player because the saxophone background harmony will be incomplete if the tenor solos.

For the rhythm section, the piano player should use the piano part as a guide; however, specific parts are written out to be played behind the ensemble. Behind the baritone sax solo, suggested piano voicings and rhythms are provided, but the more advanced player is encouraged to use his or her own voicings and rhythms. But always play in the style and listen and share comping space with the guitar player. The bass part is fully notated; however, the more experienced player is encouraged to create his or her own bass lines whenever there are chord changes are indicated. As always, the drum part is also a guide. The ensemble figures are cued above the staff as indicators of various horn figures. The main groove measures 18 and 19 should be light and "click-y." The sound should resemble playing on the shells of the drums.

Finally, the full ensemble material from measures 130 through the first half of measure 137 is the climax of this piece and should be the peak dynamic level.

Enjoy!

—Dave Rivello







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