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I GOT RHYTHM

Music and Lyrics by **GEORGE GERSHWIN®** and **IRA GERSHWIN**
Arranged by **WYCLIFFE GORDON**

INSTRUMENTATION

Conductor

1st E_b Alto Saxophone
2nd E_b Alto Saxophone
1st B_b Tenor Saxophone
2nd B_b Tenor Saxophone
E_b Baritone Saxophone
1st B_b Trumpet
2nd B_b Trumpet
3rd B_b Trumpet
4th B_b Trumpet

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone
3rd Trombone
Bass Trombone
Guitar Chords
Guitar
Piano
Bass
Drums

Optional Alternate Parts

C Flute
Tuba
Horn in F (Doubles 1st Trombone)
1st Baritone T.C./B_b Tenor Saxophone
(Doubles 1st Trombone)
2nd Baritone T.C./B_b Tenor Saxophone
(Doubles 2nd Trombone)
3rd Baritone T.C./B_b Tenor Saxophone
(Doubles 3rd Trombone)

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NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

This arrangement of *I Got Rhythm* should be played at a medium up tempo that is comfortable for the band to execute all parts. Everyone in the band should be aware of who and/or what section is playing the melody at all times. If any players cannot hear the melody, then they are likely playing too loud. Direct the musicians to always listen for the melody and blend with the ensemble.

The intro should be played at *ff* but bring it down to *f* in measure 9, making a noticeable difference in dynamics from the intro. Measure 17 should be played at *mf*, the general dynamic for this piece. The drum fills and solos in this section are a call-and-response conversation with the rest of the band and the written material is simply suggested rhythms for the young or less experienced drummer. Encourage the drummer to be creative and explore the spaces where the fills and/or solos are written, but always remind him or her not to lose the time while continuing to keep a good dance groove or feel in those spaces.

In measure 25, the meter changes to 3/4 but the pulse and tempo remain the same. Really exaggerate beat 4 in measure 50 and play it with a “daht” articulation. In measures 51–59, begin very softly and take care to make a measure-by-measure crescendo to *f* to build into the solo section.

The background figures in the solo section at measure 61 should never be louder than the soloist. For contrast, I have slightly altered the chord progression for the rhythm section and soloist in the second A section of the form in measure 69. If desired, the band may choose to play the regular chord changes (same changes as measure 61), but make sure everyone is playing the same changes!

Dynamically, measure 95 should be *f*. Beat 4 of 102 should be *f*, creating a direct contrast to the down beat (beat 2) of measure 103. It makes a mighty powerful statement to be able to play very loud and get soft immediately while still swinging and/or groovin’.

The drummer should be aware of and plan ahead when setting up the half time 12/8 feel in measure 110. Direct the drummer to strive to play a feel that will not get in the way of the phrase prior to that transition. Measure 111, surprise! Just when you thought the band would end in the fast tempo with a rip-roaring shout chorus, the listener gets the “old one-two” by ending with a greasy 12/8 groove. This can be executed in a direct half time tempo or even slower for a more dramatic effect and impact.

There it is, have fun with it.

—Wycliffe Gordon



Wycliffe Gordon

Wycliffe Gordon is a gifted composer, arranger, trombonist and educator. He has been a featured soloist with the Wynton Marsalis Septet, the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra and countless other artists. Currently, he is on the jazz faculty at The Juilliard School and Artist-in-Residence at Michigan State University. In addition to teaching, he performs and tours extensively as a soloist and as leader of the Wycliffe Gordon Quartet.

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TEMPO $\text{d} = 186-206$
INTRO

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 mp3

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I GOT RHYTHM

A musical score for a 16-piece ensemble. The instruments listed on the left are: ALTO 1, ALTO 2, TENOR 1, TENOR 2, BARI., TPT. 1, TPT. 2, TPT. 3, TPT. 4, TBN. 1, TBN. 2, TBN. 3, BASS TBN., GR. (Guitar), PNO. (Piano), BASS, and DRUMS. The score consists of 16 measures. Measures 1 through 8 are identical, followed by a repeat sign with a 'C' above it. Measures 9 through 16 show the progression of the music. The score includes various rhythmic patterns, dynamic markings like 'f' (fortissimo) and 'p' (pianissimo), and key changes indicated by sharps and flats. A large red watermark reading 'Preview Legal Use Requires Purchase' is diagonally across the page.

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I GOT RHYTHM

17

ALTO 1

ALTO 2

TENOR 1

TENOR 2

BARI.

TPT. 1

TPT. 2

TPT. 3

TPT. 4

TBN. 1

TBN. 2

TBN. 3

BASS TBN.

GTR.

PNO.

BASS

DRUMS

17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

SOLO RESPONSE

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The score consists of 12 staves, each with a different instrument or vocal part. The instruments are: Conductor, Alto 1, Alto 2, Tenor 1, Tenor 2, Bass, Tpt. 1, Tpt. 2, Tpt. 3, Tpt. 4, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tbn. 3, Bass Tbn., Gtr., Pno., and Bass. The score is in 2/4 time. The key signature changes throughout the piece. Measures 17 through 24 are shown. A large red diagonal watermark reading "Preview Legal Use Requires Purchase" is overlaid across the page.

CONDUCTOR

I GOT RHYTHM

(♩=♩)

(♩=♩)

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ALTO 1

ALTO 2

TENOR 1

TENOR 2

BARI.

TPT. 1

TPT. 2

TPT. 3

TPT. 4

TBN. 1

TBN. 2

TBN. 3

BASS TBN.

GTR.

PNO.

BASS

DRUMS

25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32

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25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32

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I GOT RHYTHM

ALTO 1
ALTO 2
TENOR 1
TENOR 2
BASS.
TPT. 1
TPT. 2
TPT. 3
TPT. 4
TBN. 1
TBN. 2
TBN. 3
BASS TBN.
GTR.
PNO.
(DLS. BASS)
BASS
DRUMS

33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40

8^b Ghi Cmi F7 Dmi Ghi Cmi F7 8^b 8^b/D E^b Eo
8^b Ghi Cmi F7 Dmi Ghi Cmi F7 8^b 8^b/D E^b Eo

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I GOT RHYTHM

ALTO 1
ALTO 2
TENOR 1
TENOR 2
BASS 1
TPT. 1
TPT. 2
TPT. 3
TPT. 4
TBN. 1
TBN. 2
TBN. 3
BASS TBN.
GTR.
PNO.
BASS
DRUMS

41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48

CONDUCTOR

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I GOT RHYTHM

ALTO 1
ALTO 2
TENOR 1
TENOR 2
BASS.
TPT. 1
TPT. 2
TPT. 3
TPT. 4
TBN. 1
TBN. 2
TBN. 3
BASS TBN.
GTR.
PNO.
BASS
DRUMS

51

Dhi G7 C7 F7 Bb Dhi G7 CM7 F7 Dhi G7 CM7 F7 Bb Bb Eb Eo
Dhi G7 C7 F7 Bb Dhi G7 CM7 F7 Dhi G7 CM7 F7 Bb Bb Eb Eo
Dhi G7 C7 F7 Bb Dhi G7 CM7 F7 Dhi G7 CM7 F7 Bb Bb Eb Eo

49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56

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(61) PIANO/GUITAR SOLO 1ST TIME -- HORN BG'S LAST X

ALTO 1
ALTO 2
TENOR 1
TENOR 2
BASS
TPT. 1
TPT. 2
TPT. 3
TPT. 4
TBN. 1
TBN. 2
TBN. 3
BASS TBN.
GTR.
PNO.
BASS
DRUMS

57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64

ALTO 1
ALTO 2
TENOR 1
TENOR 2
BASS.
TPT. 1
TPT. 2
TPT. 3
TPT. 4
TBN. 1
TBN. 2
TBN. 3
BASS TBN.
GTR.
PNO.
BASS
DRUMS

65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72

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I GOT RHYTHM

ALTO 1
ALTO 2
TENOR 1
TENOR 2
BASS 1
TPT. 1
TPT. 2
TPT. 3
TPT. 4
TBN. 1
TBN. 2
TBN. 3
BASS TBN.
GR2.
PNO.
BASS
DRUMS

73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80

CONDUCTOR

I GOT RHYTHM

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85

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ALTO 1
ALTO 2
TENOR 1
TENOR 2
BASS
TPT. 1
TPT. 2
TPT. 3
TPT. 4
TBN. 1
TBN. 2
TBN. 3
BASS TBN.
GTR.
PNO.
BASS
DRUMS

81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88

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I GOT RHYTHM

A musical score for "I GOT RHYTHM" featuring 13 staves of music. The instruments include: ALTO 1, ALTO 2, TENOR 1, TENOR 2, BARI., TPT. 1, TPT. 2, TPT. 3, TPT. 4, TBN. 1, TBN. 2, TBN. 3, BASS TBN., GTR. 2, PNO., and DRUMS. The score is numbered 97 through 104 along the bottom. A large red watermark reading "Preview requires purchase" is diagonally across the page.

ALTO 1
ALTO 2
TENOR 1
TENOR 2
BARI.
TPT. 1
TPT. 2
TPT. 3
TPT. 4
TBN. 1
TBN. 2
TBN. 3
BASS TBN.
GTR. 2
PNO.
BASS
DRUMS

97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104

103

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I GOT RHYTHM

ALTO 1
ALTO 2
TENOR 1
TENOR 2
BASS 1.
TPT. 1
TPT. 2
TPT. 3
TPT. 4
TBN. 1
TBN. 2
TBN. 3
BASS TBN.
GTR.
PNO.
BASS
DRUMS

111 12/8 FEEL HALF-TIME

I GOT RHYTHM

105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112

CONDUCTOR

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I GOT RHYTHM

ALTO 1

ALTO 2

TENOR 1

TENOR 2

BASS

TPT. 1

TPT. 2

TPT. 3

TPT. 4

TBN. 1

TBN. 2

TBN. 3

BASS TBN.

GTR.

PNO.

BASS

DRUMS

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