

## GORDON GOODWIN Arranged by PETER BLAIR

# FIRST YEAR CHARTS FOR JAZZ ENSEMBLE



#### INSTRUMENTATION

Conductor 1st EJ- Alto Saxophone 2nd EJ- Alto Saxophone 1st BJ- Tenor Saxophone 2nd BJ- Tenor Saxophone (Optional) EJ- Baritone Saxophone (Optional) 1st BJ- Trumpet 2nd BJ- Trumpet 3rd BJ- Trumpet (Optional) 1st Trombone 2nd Trombone (Optional) 3rd Trombone (Optional) Guitar Chords Guitar (Optional) Piano Bass Drums

#### **Optional Alternate Parts**

C Flute Tuba Horn in F (Doubles 1st Trombone) Baritone T.C./B, Tenor Saxophone (Doubles 1st Trombone)

### NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

This trumpet section feature is written in a 12-bar blues form. It was originally composed and arranged for two great trumpet players, the legendary Maynard Ferguson (1928–2006) and the remarkable Wayne Bergeron by Gordon Goodwin for Wayne's 2007 CD entitled *Plays Well with Others*.

The trumpet section melody starting at the pick-up to measure 5 should be well-balanced and phrase together. It doesn't need to be loud, but it does need to be clean. The articulations are well-marked, so let the articulation notation be your guide. The full ensemble kicks in at measure 27 and these typical shout chorus figures should be the ensemble highlight. Work to make these ensemble voicing sound solid with clean articulation and releases by every player. The students will definitely use this technique in other charts down the road.

The written-out solo at 41 is notated in the 1st trumpet part and cued in trumpets 2 and 3. It may be played in as a soli instead of an ad lib solo if that works better for your band. There is a saxophone soli at 61 that should be played with a good blend, with lots of air to support the sound and accurate phrasing.

As for the rhythm section, hopefully, the piano, bass and drum parts are clear. The guitar part has a combination of written notes and chord slashes for comping. When comping, direct the guitarist to play a traditional swing-style quarter-note comping pattern. There are accents notated to support ensemble figures.

Enjoy!

—Peter Blair



Peter Blair has an extensive and varied background in education and performance. He holds a BA in music education from Carroll University and an MA from the University of Wisconsin. He taught for twelve years at a variety of grade levels. Blair is currently an author and part of the advisory group for Lorenz Educational Press along with being an author and composer for Heritage Music Press. An accomplished composer and arranger, Blair has over 70 compositions and arrangements in print, as well as many commissions for college, high school and middle school groups throughout the United States.

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