Cantina Band
from *Star Wars Episode IV: A New Hope*
(For Mallet Ensemble, Bass Guitar and Drumset)

Music by John Williams
Arranged by Eric Kalver

Performance Notes

The *Star Wars* “Cantina Band” theme is one of the most well-known in the *Star Wars* movies. It is arranged here with a big-band swing feel that is sure to get your audience in a toe-tappin’ mood. Although already in a swing feel, the drumset has a shuffled tom-tom groove in the same vein as “Sing, Sing, Sing,” in order to give it more of a bounce. The ensemble should play with full energy and enthusiasm within each section. The drumset solo, starting at measure 65, trades 2s with the ensemble, making it a great crowd pleaser as it builds to the key change. By the end of the piece, everyone should be swinging hard and driving it to the tag ending.

Instrumentation (Number of Players: 7)

1 Conductor Score
1 Orchestra Bells
1 Xylophone
1 Vibraphone
1 Marimba 1
1 Marimba 2
1 Bass Guitar
1 Drumset