

PREMIER JAZZ SERIES



As Recorded by Phil Woods and Kris Berg & the Metroplexity Big Band

Lifelong Friends

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INSTRUMENTATION

- Conductor
1st Eb Alto Saxophone
2nd Eb Alto Saxophone
1st Bb Tenor Saxophone
2nd Bb Tenor Saxophone
Eb Baritone Saxophone
1st Bb Trumpet (Flugelhorn)
2nd Bb Trumpet (Flugelhorn)
3rd Bb Trumpet (Flugelhorn)
4th Bb Trumpet (Flugelhorn)
- 1st Trombone
2nd Trombone
3rd Trombone
Bass Trombone
Guitar Chords
Guitar
Piano
Acoustic Bass
Drums
Solo Eb Alto or Baritone Saxophone
Solo Bb Tenor Saxophone
Solo Bb Trumpet
Solo Trombone

NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

"Lifelong Friends" is a feature ballad in the style of the great Stan Kenton Orchestra. The biggest keyword for this chart is "drama." The style is very dramatic and many techniques can be used to help capture that drama. I highly recommend you listen to both the outstanding Alfred demo of this tune and also my version, featuring Phil Woods, on my CD *Time Management*, Kris Berg & The Metroplexity Big Band. (krisbergjazz.com)

From the very first note, intonation is key. Be sure to allow the unison C to sit a while before you start the second measure. Again, drama. Particular attention and exaggeration of dynamics will also contribute to the beauty of this chart. After the *fermata* in m. 8, allow the tune to breathe before the melody comes in. The soloist should set the tempo for the band with the two quarter-note pickups.

Changes are included over the melody so the soloist may take some liberties with how he or she chooses to interpret. Backgrounds that come in before m. 17 should think in the Kenton style, which for saxes means no *vibrato*. Notice how the trombone line in m. 18 leads to the trumpet line in m. 19—make sure they balance well. In m. 24, saxes should use a breath accent on the triplets, à la Kenton, and again in m. 26. The band should get big in a lyrical way in m. 29. Be sure the drummer supports this as well.

Drums should start hinting at the double-time feel at the end of m. 39 as the band starts to swing the sixteenth notes in m. 39 and m. 40. The background melody switches around during m. 57, between the saxes, trumpets, and trombones. Be sure that the players bring out their melody segments and back off when playing half notes.

Drums must build starting in m. 61 to support the *fortissimo* at m. 65. This should be huge—big and bold, but not heavy. The last three notes before the *fermata* should be very big, heavy even. Drums should crash and roll a loud crash cymbal during the *fermata*, but clip it when the band is cut off. Please put a huge pause here in the music, and let the sheer volume of the band sink into your audience as it echoes around the music hall. Then have the soloist tenderly come in with the pickup notes to m. 70.

After the *cadenza*, the soloist should slightly pause and then come in with pickups to m. 76. The sax line in m. 76 again uses breath accents and accelerates a little, as m. 77 should be slightly faster than earlier in the tune. Measure 80 has a cut off on 4 "and" so that a clear break occurs before the pyramid stack in m. 81. This measure should have a very strict eighth-note feel, and the notes should resemble bell tones. Allow the soloist a short *cadenza* at the end, and then cue in the last note in the bass.

This is a great chart for your ballad part of any program. It should feature one of your most musical soloists and, if played dramatically, will bring the house down! Thank you for all the support. I hope you enjoy "Lifelong Friends"!

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at kris@krisbergjazz.com.

—Kris Berg



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LIFELONG FRIENDS

A TEMPO $\text{d} = 62-80$

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CONDUCTOR (9) A TEMPO $\text{d} = 62-80$

LIFELONG FRIENDS

Solo A. SAX: Dmi(Add) B^bMaj7(#11) Gm11 A7(^bf₅) Dm11(Add) Dm11/C Bm11(b5) B^bD11(#11) Bm11 E7(b5) Gm11 Gm11/F E11(b5)

ALTO 1, ALTO 2, TENOR 1, TENOR 2, BARI.: -

TPT. 1, TPT. 2, TPT. 3, TPT. 4: -

(FLUGEL) (w/SAXES): -

TBN. 1, TBN. 2, TBN. 3, BASS TBN.: -

GTR.: -

PNO.: Fm11(Add) D^bMaj7(#11) B^bM11 C7(^bf₅) Fm11(Add) Fm11/E^b Dm11(b5) D^bD11(#11) Dm11 G7(b5) G^bM11 B^bM11/A^b Gm11(b5) C7sus C7(^bf₅)

BASS: -

DRUMS: $\frac{M}{4}$ BALLAD FEEL

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9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

CONDUCTOR

(17) D_{mi}(A_{cc}) B^b_{mi}7(†11) G_{mi}11 A[#]₇(†5) D_{mi}(A_{cc}) D_{mi}9/C B_{mi}7(B₅) B^b_{mi}7(†11) B^b_{mi}7 - E₇(B₉) G_{mi}9 G_{mi}9/F E_{mi}7(B₅) E₁₁ B_{mi}9 D_{mi}9 C[#]_{mi}9

LIFELONG FRIENDS

Solo A. SAX

ALTO 1

ALTO 2

TENOR 1

TENOR 2

BASSI.

TPT. 1 (FLUGEL)

TPT. 2 (FLUGEL)

TPT. 3 (FLUGEL)

TPT. 4

TBN. 1

TBN. 2

TBN. 3

BASS TBN.

GTR.

PNO.

F_{mi}(A_{cc}) B^b_{mi}7(†11) G_{mi}11 C[#]₇(†5) F_{mi}(A_{cc}) F_{mi}9/E^b D_{mi}7(B₅) B^b_{mi}7(†11) D_{mi}7 G₇(B₉) B_{mi}9 B_{mi}9/A^b G_{mi}7(B₅) G₁₁ B_{mi}9 E_{mi}9

BASS

DRUMS

BREATH ACCENTS

SCREAM ACCENTS

BREATH ACCENTS

SCREAM ACCENTS

TO TPT.

TO TPT.

TO TPT.

TO TPT.

TO TPT.

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CONDUCTOR

(25) C^bM9 F[#]ALT B^bM9 E^b7(5)

Solo A. SAX

C^bM9 B^b(H11) B^bM9

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C^bM9 E^b7(5) E^bM9 A^b7(5)

C^bM9 F[#]ALT B^bH11 E^bH11

LIFELONG FRIENDS

ALTO 1

ALTO 2

TENOR 1

TENOR 2

BASS.

TPT. 1

TPT. 2

TPT. 3

TPT. 4

(TRUMPET)

To HARMON MUTE

TBN. 1

TBN. 2

TBN. 3

BASS TBN.

GTR.

PNO.

E^bH11 A^bALT D^bM9 G^b7(5) E^bM9 D^b(H11) D^bM9 E^bH11 A^b7(5) E^bH11 B^b7(5) E^bH11 A^bALT D^bH11 G^bH11 C^b7(5)

BASS

DRUMS

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CONDUCTOR

(33) D_{mi}(A⁰) B₇¹(H)₁₁ G_{mi} A₇(^b₅) D_{mi}(A⁰) D_{mi}/C B₇¹(₅) B₇¹⁵(H)₁₁ B₇¹ E₇(^b₅) G_{mi} G_{mi}/F E₇¹⁵(₅) DOUBLE-TIME FEEL (SWING 16TH'S)

LIFELONG FRIENDS

Solo A. SAX

ALTO 1

ALTO 2

TENOR 1

TENOR 2

BARI.

TPT. 1

TPT. 2 OPEN

TPT. 3 OPEN

TPT. 4 OPEN

TBN. 1

TBN. 2

TBN. 3

BASS TBN.

GTR.

PNO. F_{mi}(A⁰) B₇¹(H)₁₁ C₇(^b₅) F_{mi}(A⁰) F_{mi}E₇(₅) D_{mi}7 B₇¹⁵(H)₁₁ G_{mi} B₇¹ G_{mi}A₇ G_{mi}7(₅) C₇¹⁵ C₇(^b₅)

BASS

DRUMS

33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40

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CONDUCTOR

(41) SOLO Dm19 Gm19 A7ALT Dm19 Dm19/C Bm17(b5) B11s Bm19 E7(b9) Gm19 Gm19/F Em17(b5) A9sus A7ALT

LIFELONG FRIENDS

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Solo A. SAX

ALTO 1

ALTO 2

TENOR 1

TENOR 2

BARI.

TPT. 1 TO FLUGEL

TPT. 2 TO CUP MUTE

TPT. 3 TO HARMON MUTE

TPT. 4 TO CUP MUTE

TBN. 1

TBN. 2

TBN. 3

BASS TBN.

GTR.

PNO.

F#m19 Bm19 C7ALT F#m19 F#m19/G^b Dm17(b5) D11s Dm19 G7(b9) Bb11s Bb11s/A^b Gm17(b5) C9sus C7ALT

BASS (AS IS OR IMPROVISE) Bm19 C7ALT F#m19 F#m19/G^b Dm17(b5) D11s Dm19 G7(b9) Bb11s Bb11s/A^b Gm17(b5) C9sus C7ALT

DRUMS

41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48

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CONDUCTOR

(49) Dm19 B^bm7(!!) Gm19 A7ALT Dm19 Dm19/C B^bm7(!!) B^bss -7- E7(!!) Gm19 Gm19/C E7(!!) A7(!!) Dm19 C^bm9

LIFELONG FRIENDS

Solo A. SAX

ALTO 1

ALTO 2

TENOR 1

TENOR 2

BARI.

TPT. 1

TPT. 2

TPT. 3

TPT. 4

TO FLUGEL

TO FLUGEL

TO FLUGEL

TBN. 1

TBN. 2

TBN. 3

BASS TBN.

GTR.

PNO.

Fm19 B^bm7(!!) B^bm9 C7ALT Fm19 Fm19/E^b Dm19/B^b D^bss Dm19 G7(!!) B^bm19 B^bm19/A^b Gm19/B^b C7(!!) Fm19 E19

BASS

(Bassoon)

DRUMS

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LIFELONG FRIENDS

(57) Cm9 F7(5) Bbm9 Eb7(5) Cm9 F7(5) Bbm9 - 8 - Eb9 Ab7sus Ab7(5) C#m9 F#7sus F#7(5) Bm9 Em11 A7sus A7(5) C7sus C7alt

Solo A. SAX

ALTO 1

ALTO 2

TENOR 1

TENOR 2

BARI.

TPR. 1

TPR. 2

TPR. 3

TPR. 4

TBN. 1

TBN. 2

TBN. 3

BASS TBN.

GRZ.

PNO.

BASS

DRUMS

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CONDUCTOR

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LIFELONG FRIENDS

BALLAD FEEL

CONDUCTOR (70) A TEMPO

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LIFELONG FRIENDS

A page of musical notation for a band score, numbered 70-74. The page features ten staves of music with various instruments labeled: Trombones, Tuba, Bassoon, Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, and Horn. The notation includes measures with quarter and eighth notes, rests, and dynamic markings like forte and piano. A large red watermark reading "Preview Use Requires Purchase Only" is diagonally across the page.

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Solo A. SAX (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

ALTO 1 (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

ALTO 2 (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

TENOR 1 (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

TENOR 2 (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

BASSI. (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

TPT. 1 (HARMON MUTE) (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

TPT. 2 (HARMON MUTE) (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

TPT. 3 (HARMON MUTE) (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

TPT. 4 (FLUGEL) (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

TBN. 1 (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

TBN. 2 (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

TBN. 3 (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

BASS TBN. (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

GTR. (W/HNS.) (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

PNO. (W/SAXES) (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

BASS (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

DRUMS RIDE CYM. (SOLO SETS TEMPO)

CONDUCTOR

(76) A TEMPO

SLIGHTLY FASTER

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Poco rit.

A TEMPO

LIFELONG FRIENDS
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