

Vida del Sol

Ryan Meeboer

Vida del Sol (Life of the Sun) is a straight ahead Latin chart with a catchy groove and interesting parts for all players. With lots of opportunity to work on both technical and jazz skills, young musicians will find this chart both fun and challenging to play.

For this piece, eighth notes are to be played normally, as it is not a swing chart.

When playing the marcato (or hat) markings for the shots at measure 17, be sure to use a 'tut' tonguing to keep it strong and crisp. Tight timing is extremely important when playing these shots.

Solos can be performed as written, or can be improvised using a C concert minor scale. If improvising, rhythmic feel (or groove) should be the main focus, rather than the number of notes or pitches used.

Ryan Meeboer is a music educator, who obtained his degree through the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education at the University of Toronto. As a composer, he has written and arranged many pieces for concert band, jazz band, and small ensembles. His young band piece, *Last Voyage of the Queen Anne's Revenge*, has been well received by performers, educators, and audiences, and his pieces are starting to be found on festival and contest lists. As a performer, he has had experience in several groups, including concert and stage bands, chamber choir, vocal jazz ensemble, acoustic duets, and the Hamilton based swing group, "The Main Swing Connection".

Ryan began studying music at the age of seven through private guitar lessons. During his years in elementary and secondary school, he gained experience in several families of instruments. Focusing on music education and theory (including composition and orchestration), he attended McMaster University to achieve his honours degree in music. Ryan is currently a teacher for the Halton District School Board in Ontario, where he continues to compose and arrange.

*Please contact the composer if you require any further information about this piece
or his availability for commissioning new works and appearances.*

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DIFFICULTY RATING: Easy
Saxophone Quartet (AATB) Optional
Drums

VIDA DEL SOL

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UPBEAT, WITH PEP ♩=80 (STRAIGHT EIGHTHS)

ALTO SAX 1

ALTO SAX 2

TENOR SAX

BARITONE SAX

DRUM SET (OPTIONAL)

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LEAD

CLOSED HI-HAT

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13

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16 17 18 19 20

21 22 23 24 25

26 27 28 29 30

91 92 LEAD 93 94 95

CLOSED HI-HAT

96 97 98 TO CODA 99 40 41 AM SOLO

8M7(b9) E7 AM DM E7 AM 8M7(b9) E7

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