PREMIER JAZZ SERIES

Hullabaloo

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INSTRUMENTATION

Conductor

1st El- Alto Saxophone

2nd El- Alto Saxophone

1st Bl- Tenor Saxophone

2nd Bl- Tenor Saxophone

El- Baritone Saxophone

1st Bl- Trumpet

2nd Bl- Trumpet

3rd Bl- Trumpet

4th Bl- Trumpet

1st Trombone
2nd Trombone
3rd Trombone
4th Trombone
Guitar Chords
Guitar
Piano
Bass
Drums



NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

This piece was commissioned and premiered by the Young Sounds of Arizona, directed by Barb Catlin.

Hullabaloo has a catchy little tune that has the potential to get stuck in your head for weeks (trust me, I know!). There's nothing subtle about this piece, and with the exception of measures 53–64, the band should play at a strong volume. Articulation is as always, critical. Play the marcato or rooftop accents (*) detached but not too short or clipped.

There are several effects that I've written into the melody in order for it sound more authentic New Orleans. These include scoops, quick falls, slow bends, and drops. All of the scoops should be exaggerated, especially the ones marked as "big scoop." For the "slow bend," start on the first note and very gradually bend to the next note. It's easiest to do on trombone, and the other instruments should try to emulate that unique sound. The "drops" also should be dramatic. Start on any higher note and quickly drop to the written note. The drop should be as loud as the target note. Also for the best result, make the staccato notes very short.

The intro bass line may be repeated as needed to set the groove. I suggest the melody horns—alto, tenor, trumpet and trombone—stand for the opening statement. For the melody, articulation and interpretation must be played as one. The guitar part bounces between playing lines with the rhythm section and the sax section. Caution the guitarist on volume and blend.

For the solo section, the soloist should consider this an opportunity to construct the perfect solo—start easy, gradually build in intensity/complexity/range then ease it back down a little to conclude. Pacing is important.

I sincerely hope you enjoy "Hullabaloo."

-Alan Baylock



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