

# ONCE UPON A CHRISTMAS MEDLEY

Carol of the Drum, Once Upon a December,  
and It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year

SATB, accompanied, with optional guitar, drum and percussion\*

Arranged by  
CARL STROMMEN

## Carol of the Drum

Lightly  $\text{♩} = 75$  ( $\text{♩} = 150$ )

Words and Music by Katherine K. Davis

S  
A

*p*

Come, they told me, pa - rum-pum-pum - pum.

T  
B

Lightly  $\text{♩} = 75$  ( $\text{♩} = 50$ )  
N.C.

Piano  
(Guitar)

*p* Optional Piano Accompaniment

5

A new - born King to see, pa - rum-pum-pum - pum.

5

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\*Guitar: Play ad lib. using chord symbols in piano part.  
Drum/Percussion: See pages 18-19.

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9

Our fin - est gifts we bring, pa - rum-pum-pum - pum, \_\_\_\_\_  
*div.*

9

13

to lay be - fore the King, pa - rum-pum-pum - pum, rum-pum-pum - pum,

13

17

rum - pum - pum - pum. \_\_\_\_\_ So to hon - or Him, pa -  
*div.*

17

rum - pum - pum - pum, when \_ we come. \_\_\_\_\_

*mp*

Lit - tle Ba - by, pa - rum-pum-pum - pum.

*mp*

I am a poor boy too, pa - rum-pum-pum - pum. \_\_\_\_\_

33

I have no gift to bring, pa - rum-pum-pum - pum, \_\_\_\_\_

*div.*

33

37

that's fit to give our King, pa - rum-pum-pum - pum, rum-pum-pum - pum,

37

41

rum-pum-pum - pum. Shall I play for you, pa - rum-pum-pum - pum, \_\_\_\_\_

*div.*

41

Once Upon a December

Words and Music by Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty

45 *rit. (in "4")* *decresc.* *molto rit.* **Andante** ♩ = 104

on my drum?

45 *rit. (in "4")* *decresc.* *molto rit.* **Andante** ♩ = 104  
*add bells* *p*

49 *p*

Dancing bears,

49 *bells out* Cm G/D

53

painted wings, things I almost re -

53 C7/E Fm Cm

57 *poco rit.* *a tempo*

mem - ber.

*unison*  
*p*

And a song

57 *Fm/Ab* *G7* *Am7* *G/B* *Cm* *G/D*

*poco rit.* *a tempo*

61

some - one sings, once up - on a De -

61 *C7/E* *F* *Fm* *Cm*

65 *Opt. div.*  
*mf*

Some - one holds me

cem - ber.

65 *G7* *Cm* *Fm9* *Fm7* *Fm9* *Fm7*

*mf*

69

*div.*

safe and warm, hors - es prance through a *div.*

69 A/C Cm Dm7(b5) G7

73

sil - ver storm, fig - ures danc - ing

73 A/C C Fm9 Fm7 Fm9 Fm7

77

grace ful - ly a - cross my mem - o -

77 A/C Cm D7 D7(b9) Ab7(b5)

81 *poco rit.* *unis.*  
*p*  
 ry. Mmm, \_\_\_\_\_  
*unis.*

81 G7 G Am7 G/B Cm (like a music box) G/B  
*gva*  
*p*  
*a tempo*

85 mmm, \_\_\_\_\_ mmm, \_\_\_\_\_ mmm, \_\_\_\_\_

85 C7/Bb (8va) F/A Fm/A1 Cm/G

89 Ah, \_\_\_\_\_ Ah, \_\_\_\_\_

89 D/F# (8va) G Am7 G/B Cm G/B



ah, \_\_\_\_\_ ah. \_\_\_\_\_

93 C/B $\flat$  F/A Fm/A $\flat$  Cm/G

97 *mf* Some - one holds me

97 G Fm9 Fm7 Fm9 Fm7 *mf*

101 safe and warm, *div.* hors - es prance through a

101 A $\flat$ /C Cm Dm7( $\flat$ 5) G7

105

sil - ver storm, fig - ures danc - ing

105

A/C Cm C Dm7 C/E Fm9 Fm7 Fm9 Fm7

109

*rit.*

grace - ful - ly a - cross my mem - o -

109

A/C Cm D7 D7(b9) G7

*rit.*

113 **Brightly (in one)** ♩. = 62

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Cmaj9 C6

113

*mf*

12

# It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year

By Eddie Pola and George Wyle

118

*mf*

It's the most won - der - ful

118 Am9 Am7 Dm9 Dm7 G9 Cmaj9 Am9

123

time \_\_\_\_\_ of the year, \_\_\_\_\_

123 Dm11 G7 Cmaj9 C6 Am7 Dm11 Dm7

128

with the kids jin - gle bell - ing and ev - 'ry - one tell - ing you

128 G9 Dm7 G9 Em7 Am7

133

“be of good cheer.” \_\_\_\_\_ It’s the most  
 cheer, of good cheer.” \_\_\_\_\_

133

F

F#dim7

Cmaj9

138

won - der - ful time \_\_\_\_\_ of the year.

138 Am7

Dm7

G7

Eb

Abmaj7

143

It’s the hap - hap - pi - est sea -

143 Dm7

G7

Cmaj9

Am7

Dm7

- son of all, \_\_\_\_\_ with those

148 G7 Cmaj9 Am7 Dm7 G9

hol - i - day greet - ings and hap - hap - py meet - ings when friends come to

153 Dm7 G9 Em7 Am7 F

call. \_\_\_\_\_ It's the hap - hap - pi - est

158 F#dim7 Cmaj9 Am7

163

time \_\_\_\_\_ of the year.

163 Dm7

G7

Gm7

Gm(maj7)

167

There'll be par - ties for host - ing, marsh - mal - lows for

167 Gm/F

C9

Fmaj7

F#dim7

Am7/G

172

and we'll lis - ten to  
toast - ing, and car - ol - ing out in the snow, and we'll lis - ten to

172 Am7

Dm7

G7

scar - y ghost sto - ries and tales of the glo - ries of

Fm7

Bb9

Ebmaj7

Cm7

Christ - mas - es long, long a - go It's the

Fm7

Fm7/Eb

Dm11

G7

most

won - der - ful

time,

it's the

*mf*

Cmaj9

Am7

Dm11

G7

*mf*

189

most mag - i - cal time, \_\_\_\_\_ it's the

The vocal line consists of two staves. The melody starts with a half note 'most', followed by quarter notes 'mag', 'i', 'cal', and a half note 'time,' with a long horizontal line indicating a breath mark. This is followed by quarter notes 'it's' and 'the'.

189 Cmaj7 Am

Dm11

G7

The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords in the right hand. The chords are Cmaj7, Am, Dm11, and G7, corresponding to the lyrics 'mag - i - cal' and 'time, it's the'.

193

most won - der - ful time \_\_\_\_\_ of the

The vocal line continues with 'most won - der - ful time,' followed by a breath mark and 'of the'.

193 Em7 Am7

Dm11

Fmaj9/G

The piano accompaniment includes chords Em7, Am7, Dm11, and Fmaj9/G. The right hand has some rests in the final measure.

197

year.

The vocal line features a long note for 'year.' followed by a breath mark and a final note.

197 C6 Ab(9) F/G

C6

The piano accompaniment includes chords C6, Ab(9), F/G, and C6. The first measure is marked with a forte 'f' dynamic.



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## DRUM/PERCUSSION

**Carol of the Drum** (Lightly)

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Snare Drum

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*p* Finger Cymbals (or Triangle)

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F.C.

27

30

33

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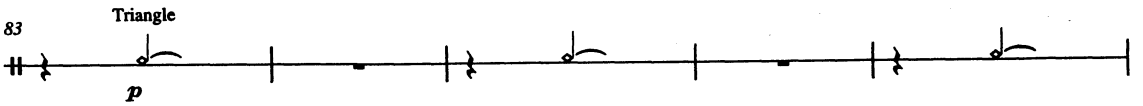
### Once Upon a December

Triangle

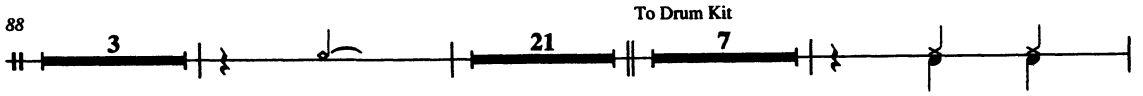
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*p* 31

83 Triangle  
*p*

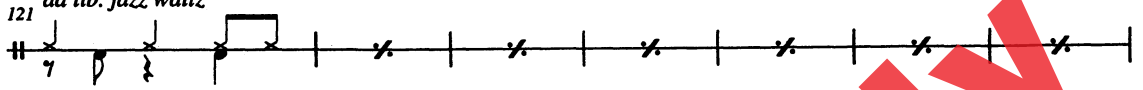


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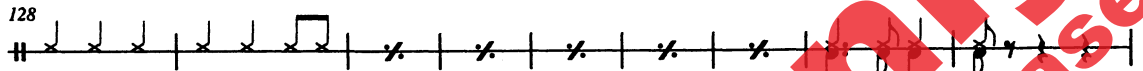


**It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year**  
*ad lib. jazz waltz*

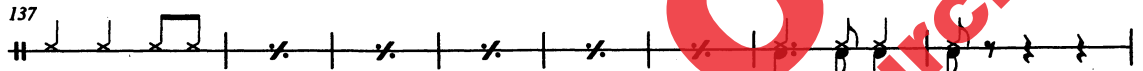
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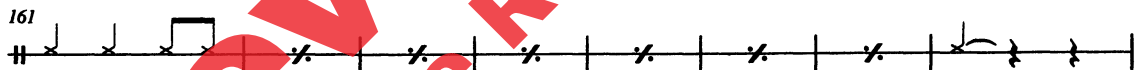
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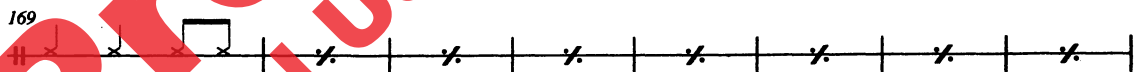
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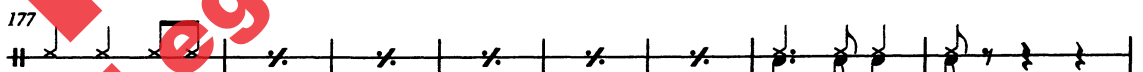
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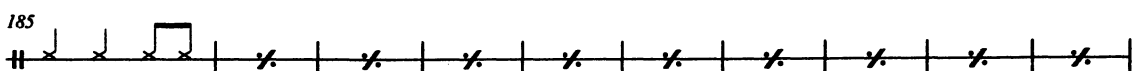
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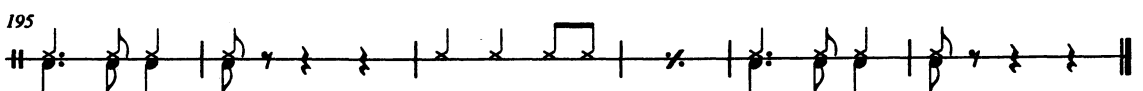
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