

Jazz Concerto

for Soprano Sax & Wind Ensemble

Composed by Jeff Tyzik

3. Paris On That Misty Night

Duration Approx. 6:00

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For Chris Vadala and Ray Ricker

Eastman graduate Chris Vadala was a childhood friend who encouraged me to come to the Eastman School. Years later we both worked and toured with Eastman Graduate Chuck Mangione. Chris' soprano sax playing was stellar as was his ability to "double" on many members of the woodwind family.

While at Eastman, I was in a jazz quintet with Eastman Graduate and Professor of Saxophone Ray Ricker. Once again, I was treated to hearing the phenomenal artistry on soprano sax from Ray. That coupled with my love of legendary jazz saxophonist Wayne Shorter was an inspiration to compose Jazz Concerto for Soprano Sax and Wind Ensemble to be premiered by next generation soprano sax artist and Eastman Graduate Alexa Tarantino.

I've always been interested in the crossover of jazz and classical musical styles. I had to decide if this would be a classical piece that had jazz influences or a jazz piece with classical influences. Improvisation had to be part of the musical tapestry as well. I struggled with this question until I began to start composing. As it always does with me, the inspiration for these movements became my guide and the musical story of this concerto began to take shape. In the process I would turn the Eastman Wind Ensemble into a large "Jazz Wind Ensemble."

1. Joy Ride

This is a fast tempo straight ahead jazz movement with a lot of interaction between soloist, rhythm section and wind ensemble. Jazz motifs are traded back and forth between soloist and wind ensemble and there are a significant amount of traditional jazz "call and answer" moments in the piece.

2. The Weather Report is Cool

During my time at Eastman, I was exploring and listening to all genres of music.

On the jazz side, I was a big fan of Miles Davis and the band Weather Report.

Both of these innovative ensembles prominently featured saxophonist Wayne Shorter. I decided to write a movement that would conjure up some of the "cool" musical "grooves" that are evocative of Miles Davis and Weather Report.

3. PARIS On That Misty Night

I love slow movements and ballads. The atmospherics in the orchestration give space and time to explore the beauty of the saxophone in a romantic mood. As I was working on this movement, I played the introduction and theme for my wife, Jill. She said, "It sounds like Paris."

At that moment, I remembered a misty night when we strolled around Paris.

That memory inspired this movement and it became a musical reflection of that magical night.

The whole movement is based on a 16 bar complex harmonic progression.

After an ethereal introduction, the saxophone plays the theme and then a variation.

The chords and orchestration become lush with an ensemble tutti inspired by one of my musical heroes Gil Evans.

Once again, the saxophone recaps an earlier statement of the melody and the piece fades to a peaceful end.

4. SAN MIGUEL

I wanted to include a piece with Latin influences in the concerto. I wrote this piece after spending time in San Miguel de Allende, a World Heritage colonial-era city in Mexico's central highlands.

SAN MIGUEL is a Latin jazz journey that is rhythmically exciting. The saxophone states the theme. A "call and response" section follows the theme. The orchestra will play four bar phrases: the call. The Soloist will improvise a musical answer to those phrases: the response.

The middle pastoral section, also based on the basic harmonic framework of this movement, is very lyrical and neoclassic. The main theme returns to an exciting ending.

Jeff Tyzik
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Instrumentation:

Soprano Sax Solo

Jazz Rhythm Section:

Piano

Amplified String Bass

Drum Set

Flute 1,2

Oboe 1, 2

E. Horn

Bassoon 1 & 2

Bb Clarinet 1,2,3

Bb Bass Clarinet

Contra Bass Clarinet

Alto Sax 1 & 2

Tenor Sax

Baritone Sax

F Horn 1,2,3,4

Flugelhorn 1,2,3

Trombone 1,2,3

Euphonium

Tuba

Vibraphone

Harp

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Moderato $\text{♩} = 60$

III. Paris (On That Misty Night)

The musical score consists of 27 staves of music for a wind ensemble and soprano saxophone. The instrumentation includes Flute 1, Flute 2, Oboe 1, Oboe 2, English Horn, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Clarinet in B_b 1, Clarinet in B_b 2, Clarinet in B_b 3, Bass Clarinet, Contrabass Clarinet, Alto Sax 1, Alto Sax 2, Tenor Sax, Baritone Sax, Soprano Sax Solo, Vibraphone, Piano, String Bass, Drum Set, Horn in F 1, Horn in F 2, Horn in F 3, Horn in F 4, Flugelhorn 1, Flugelhorn 2, Flugelhorn 3, Trombone 1, Trombone 2, Trombone 3, Euphonium, Tuba, and Harp. The score is in 3/4 time and includes dynamic markings like p, mf, pp, and mp.

3. Paris - Score

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This page contains four staves of musical notation for an orchestra. The instruments listed on the left are: Fl. 1, Fl. 2, Ob. 1, Ob. 2, E. Hn., Bsn. 1, Bsn. 2, B♭ Cl. 1, B♭ Cl. 2, B♭ Cl. 3, B. Cl., Cb. Cl., A. Sx. 1, A. Sx. 2, T. Sx., B. Sx., S. Sx., Vib., Pno., Bs., D. S., Hn. 1, Hn. 2, Hn. 3, Hn. 4, Flug. 1, Flug. 2, Flug. 3, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tbn. 3, Euph., Tuba, and Hp.

The music consists of four measures. Measure 11 starts with Fl. 1 and Fl. 2 playing eighth notes at *mp*. Measure 12 begins with Ob. 1 at *mf*, followed by a bassoon line. Measure 13 features a bassoon line at *mf*, with Bsn. 1 and Bsn. 2 joining in. Measure 14 concludes with a bassoon line at *mf*.

Dynamics and performance instructions include:

- Measure 11: Fl. 1 and Fl. 2 at *mp*.
- Measure 12: Ob. 1 at *mf*.
- Measure 13: Bassoon line at *mf*.
- Measure 14: Bassoon line at *mf*.

Performance instructions include:

- Measure 13: Subtone.
- Measure 14: Subtone.
- Measure 14: *pizz.*
- Measure 14: *p*.

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

E. Hn.

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

S. Sx.

Vib.

Pno.

B♭ma7+5 E/F Cma7/D D/G Eb/F Abma11 Ab Abma9/B♭ Bm7sus B♭/C Bm7sus/F♯ Fm7add11

mp

B♭ma7+5 E/F Cma7/D D/G Eb/F Abma11 Ab Abma9/B♭ Bm7sus B♭/C Bm7sus/F♯ Fm7add11

mp

D. S.

mp

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Hn. 3

Hn. 4

Flug. 1

Flug. 2

Flug. 3

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tuba

Hp.

3. Paris - Score

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Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

E. Hn.

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

S. Sx.

Vib.

F/F#
A♭m9/G

+7
B♭m⁹/C

#7
B♭m⁹/C

#7
A♭m⁹/B♭

#7
B♭m⁹/C

#7
B♭m⁹/C Gmaj1/A

Pno.

F/F#
A♭m9/G

+7
B♭m⁹/C

#7
B♭m⁹/C

#7
A♭m⁹/B♭

#7
B♭m⁹/C

Gmaj1/A

Bs.

D. S.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Hn. 3

Hn. 4

Flug. 1

Flug. 2

Flug. 3

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tuba

Hp.

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Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

E. Hn.

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

S. Sx.

Vib.

Fm11

D♭11

A♭m11

A♭m11

D7+5

A♭11

B♭ma7+5

mf

E/F

Pno.

Fm11

D♭11

A♭m11

D7+5

A♭11

B♭ma7+5

mf

E/F

Bs.

D. S.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Hn. 3

Hn. 4

Flug. 1

Flug. 2

Flug. 3

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tuba

Hp.

3. Paris - Score

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

E. Hn.

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

B_b Cl. 1

B_b Cl. 2

B_b Cl. 3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

S. Sx.

Vib.

Pno.

Bs.

D. S.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Hn. 3

Hn. 4

Flug. 1

Flug. 2

Flug. 3

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tuba

Hp.

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Fl. 1
Fl. 2
Ob. 1
Ob. 2
E. Hn.
Bsn. 1
Bsn. 2
B♭ Cl. 1 *mp*
B♭ Cl. 2 *mp*
B♭ Cl. 3 *mp*
B. Cl. *mp*
Cb. Cl.
A. Sx. 1 *mp*
A. Sx. 2 *mp*
T. Sx. *mp*
B. Sx. *mp*
S. Sx. *f*
Vib.
Pno.
Bs.
D. S.
Hn. 1 *mp*
Hn. 2 *mp*
Hn. 3 *mp*
Hn. 4 *mp*
Flug. 1
Flug. 2
Flug. 3
Tbn. 1
Tbn. 2
Tbn. 3
Euph.
Tuba
Hp. *mf*

B \flat m $\frac{6}{9}$ /C B \flat m $\frac{6}{9}$ /C A \flat m $\frac{6}{9}$ /B \flat B \flat m $\frac{6}{9}$ /C G major/A F major D major

$\frac{7}{3}$ $\frac{6}{3}$ $\frac{6}{3}$ $\frac{6}{3}$ $\frac{3}{3}$ $\frac{11}{11}$ $\frac{11}{11}$

3. Paris - Score

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S. Paris - Score

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

E. Hn.

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

S. Sx.

Vib.

Pno.

Bs.

D. S.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Hn. 3

Hn. 4

Flug. 1

Flug. 2

Flug. 3

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tuba

Hp.

A♭m11 D7+5 A♭11 B♭ma7/C Fm11 Cma7/D D♭m11/E♭

A♭m11 D7+5 A♭11 B♭ma7/C Fm11 Cma7/D D♭m11/E♭

mf

Double Time Feel

3. Paris - Score

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Cm[#]₉/D Bbm[#]₉/C

f

End Double Time Feel

3. Paris - Score

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

E. Hn.

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

S. Sx.

Vib.

Pno.

Bs.

D. S.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Hn. 3

Hn. 4

Flug. 1

Flug. 2

Flug. 3

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tuba

Hp.

Cm^6/D

Ama^9/B

Gm^{11}

$E\flat^{11}$

$B\flat m^{11}$

$E7+9$

$B\flat m^6/C$

Gm^9/A

Fm^{11}

$D\flat^{11}$

$A\flat m^{11}$

$D7+9$

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Fl. 1 *mp*

Fl. 2 *mp*

Ob. 1 *mp*

Ob. 2 *mp*

E. Hn.

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2 *p*

B♭ Cl. 3 *p*

B. Cl. *p*

Cb. Cl.

A. Sx. 1 *p*

A. Sx. 2 *p*

T. Sx. *p*

B. Sx. *p*

S. Sx. *mf* *p* *mf*

Vib.

Pno. *p*

Bs. *p*

D. S. *p*

Hn. 1 *p*

Hn. 2 *p*

Hn. 3 *p*

Hn. 4 *p*

Flug. 1

Flug. 2

Flug. 3

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tuba

Hp.

As Written

76 Mysterioso ♩ = 52

3. Paris - Score

82 Slightly Faster ♩ = 56

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

E. Hn.

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

B♭ Cl. 1

B♭ Cl. 2

B♭ Cl. 3

B. Cl.

Cb. Cl.

A. Sx. 1

A. Sx. 2

T. Sx.

B. Sx.

S. Sx.

Vib.

Pno.

Bs.

D. S.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Hn. 3

Hn. 4

Flug. 1

Flug. 2

Flug. 3

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

Euph.

Tuba

Hp.