

# JAZZ BAND SERIES

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## Running with Scissors

By Gordon Goodwin

### INSTRUMENTATION

Conductor  
1st E♭ Alto Saxophone  
2nd E♭ Alto Saxophone  
1st B♭ Tenor Saxophone  
2nd B♭ Tenor Saxophone  
E♭ Baritone Saxophone  
1st B♭ Trumpet  
2nd B♭ Trumpet  
3rd B♭ Trumpet  
4th B♭ Trumpet

1st Trombone  
2nd Trombone  
3rd Trombone  
Bass Trombone  
Guitar Chords  
Guitar  
Piano  
Bass (Electric)  
Drums  
Auxiliary Percussion  
(Bongos, Congas)

### Optional/Alternate Parts

Sample Solos (C Concert, E♭ Alto and Baritone Saxophones,  
B♭ Tenor Saxophone, B♭ Trumpet, Trombone)

C Flute  
Vibraphone  
Tuba (Doubles Bass)  
Horn in F (Doubles 1st Trombone)  
1st Baritone T.C./B♭ Tenor Saxophone (Doubles 1st Trombone)  
2nd Baritone T.C./B♭ Tenor Saxophone (Doubles 2nd Trombone)  
3rd Baritone T.C./B♭ Tenor Saxophone (Doubles 3rd Trombone)

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## NOTES TO THE CONDUCTOR

The groove for this chart is a half-time swing, so all eighth notes should be swung—and swung *hard*. This is somewhat challenging for the piano player as they set up the chart with the opening phrase. This sets the tone for the music to come, so make sure to lock in and play good time.

The trombones play the main melody at m. 18. Although it's not really a "melody," is it? But it is the musical focal point, so play those quarter notes with authority. Then the focus shifts to the rhythm section answering the trombones, so bring out mm. 19, 21, and 23.

Dynamics play a large role in this chart, as in the bridge, or "B" section, at m. 36. Saxes should keep those quarter notes soft under the trumpets, but be ready to take the focus at m. 42. Dynamic contrast is evident in m. 48, where the band plays strong, the  $\frac{1}{2}$  in m. 49, the  $\frac{1}{4}$  in m. 51, and the  $\frac{1}{2}$  statement in m. 55. If the band is focused and pays attention to the dynamics markings, it will really help bring the music to life, I promise!

While some of the musical language in this chart is funky and bluesy, some of it is more sophisticated, such as in mm. 88–92. These chords require a good ensemble blend and for each player to listen closely for good intonation.

The solo section begins at m. 92, and at the top of the form, your soloist can jam away on that concert Dmi7 chord, no problem. But when we get to the bridge of the song at m. 108, we'll really get to hear if the soloist knows what they are doing—the players will need to negotiate those descending chromatic chords and have to address each one as it comes! But we eventually get home to good old Dmi7, so hang in there!

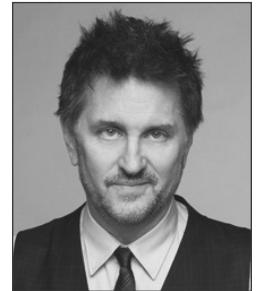
The post-solo section of the chart features the drummer, who trades with the ensemble. It might be fun for the drummer to illustrate the contrast between the three short, on-the-beat quarter notes with more syncopated figures—just an idea!

Measure 172 is the out-chorus as we head towards home on the chart, so play with energy and intensity, but remember to mind the dynamics in places like mm. 178–179. But I suggest saving the most intensity for the last three notes—really slam into them!

And finally, above all: *never* perform the action expressed by the title of this chart! I hope you enjoy playing *Running with Scissors*!

—Gordon Goodwin

Gordon  
Goodwin



Gordon Goodwin started composing at the age of three. No masterpieces at that time, but he kept at it and wrote his first big band chart at age 13. It was good enough to convince him that he could possibly keep doing this. Flash cut 20 years later and Gordon is working in Hollywood, writing for television and film, playing sessions on keyboards and woodwinds, and working with artists like Ray Charles, Christina Aguilera, Johnny Mathis, Toni Braxton, John Williams, Natalie Cole, David Foster, Sarah Vaughan, Mel Torme, Brian McKnight, and Quincy Jones, to name a few. Goodwin's cinematic scoring and orchestration craft can be heard on such films as *The Sorcerer's Apprentice*, *Escape to Witch Mountain*, *Get Smart*, *Glory Road*, *National Treasure*, *The Incredibles*, *Remember the Titans*, *Armageddon*, *The Majestic*, *Con Air*, *Gone In 60 Seconds*, *Enemy of the State*, *Star Trek Nemesis*, and even the classic cult film *Attack of the Killer Tomatoes*.

In 2000, Goodwin formed The Big Phat Band, an eighteen-piece jazz ensemble, which quickly gained a reputation as one of the most exciting large jazz ensembles on the planet. To date, the BPB has released five records, *Swingin' for the Fences* (2000), *XXL* (2003), *The Phat Pack* (2006), *Act Your Age* (2008), and *That's How We Roll* (2011). The albums have featured state-of-the-art guest artists like Arturo Sandoval, Eddie Daniels, Take 6, Brian McKnight, Johnny Mathis, Michael Brecker, Dianne Reeves, David Sanborn, Chick Corea, Dave Grusin, Lee Ritenour, Patti Austin, Art Tatum, Dave Koz, Gerald Albright, and Marcus Miller.

Goodwin's work has garnered him three Emmy Awards and eleven Grammy® nominations, with three Grammy wins for his work on the Pixar film *The Incredibles* (2006) and his arrangements of "Rhapsody in Blue" (2012) and "On Green Dolphin Street" (2014). His charts are played all over the world, and along with his method books and CDs, have been a robust source of inspiration and learning for thousands of young musicians.

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# RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

Composed and Arranged by  
Gordon Goodwin (ASCAP)

FUNKY GROOVE  $\text{♩} = 150-176$  ( $\text{♩} = \frac{3}{8}$ )

1ST E♭ ALTO SAXOPHONE

2ND E♭ ALTO SAXOPHONE

1ST B♭ TENOR SAXOPHONE

2ND B♭ TENOR SAXOPHONE

E♭ BARITONE SAXOPHONE

1ST B♭ TRUMPET

2ND B♭ TRUMPET

3RD B♭ TRUMPET

4TH B♭ TRUMPET

1ST TROMBONE

2ND TROMBONE

3RD TROMBONE

BASS TROMBONE

GUITAR

PIANO

Solo

CHORD CHANGES SHOWN IN PART.

BASS (ELECTRIC)

DRUMS

H.H.

BONGOS

AUXILIARY PERCUSSION (BONGOS, CONGAS)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

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RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

A musical score page for a 17-piece ensemble. The page is filled with musical notation on multiple staves. The instruments listed on the left are: ALTO 1, ALTO 2, TENOR 1, TENOR 2, BARI., TPT. 1, TPT. 2, TPT. 3 (with a note 'TO HARMON MUTE'), TPT. 4, TBN. 1, TBN. 2, TBN. 3, BASS TBN., GTR., PNO., BASS (with a note 'PLAY'), DRUMS, and AUX. PERC. The score includes measures numbered 9 through 17 at the bottom. The title 'RUNNING WITH SCISSORS' is in the top right corner. A large, diagonal watermark in red text reads 'Legal Use Requires Purchase Only'.

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(18)

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RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

ALTO 1

ALTO 2

TENOR 1

TENOR 2

BARI.

TPT. 1 OPEN

TPT. 2

TPT. 3 OPEN

TPT. 4 OPEN

TBN. 1 SOLI

TBN. 2 SOLI

TBN. 3 SOLI

BASS TBN.

GTR.

PNO. Dm7(4) F/G E/C<sup>#</sup> E/B C/E D/B<sup>#</sup> G7(5) E7(5) A15(5) Dm7(4)

BASS

DRUMS

AUX. PERC.

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

26

ALTO 1  
ALTO 2  
TENOR 1  
TENOR 2  
BASS 1  
TPT. 1  
TPT. 2  
TPT. 3  
TPT. 4  
TBN. 1  
TBN. 2  
TBN. 3  
BASS TBN.  
GTR.  
PNO.  
BASS  
DRUMS  
AUX. PERC.

CONDUCTOR (36)

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RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

ALTO 1  
ALTO 2  
TENOR 1  
TENOR 2  
BARI.  
TOP. 1  
TOP. 2  
TOP. 3  
TOP. 4  
TBN. 1  
TBN. 2  
TBN. 3  
BASS TBN.  
GTR.  
PNO.  
BASS  
Drums  
AUX. PERC.

36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43

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The musical score consists of 15 staves of music. The vocal parts (Conductor, Alto 1-2, Tenor 1-2, Bass) are in G major. The brass (Top 1-4, Trombones 1-3) and strings (Double Bass, Piano) provide harmonic support. The percussion section includes Drums and Auxiliary Percussion. The score features dynamic markings like 'mf', 'f', and 'mf'. Chords are labeled with Roman numerals and accidentals: B<sup>b</sup>, A7(b5), A7, G7(b5), B<sup>b</sup>, B<sup>b</sup>. The title 'RUNNING WITH SCISSORS' is at the top right, and a rehearsal mark '- 6 -' is centered above the staff lines. A large red watermark with the text 'PREVIEW USE Requires Purchase' is diagonally across the page.

CONDUCTOR

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RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

ALTO 1  
ALTO 2  
TENOR 1  
TENOR 2  
BASS.  
TPP. 1  
TPP. 2  
TPP. 3  
TPP. 4  
TBN. 1  
TBN. 2  
TBN. 3  
BASS TBN.  
GTR.  
PNO.  
BASS  
DRUMS  
AUX. PERC.

44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51

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CONDUCTOR

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56

RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

ALTO 1  
ALTO 2  
TENOR 1  
TENOR 2  
BASS 1  
TPT. 1  
TPT. 2  
TPT. 3  
TPT. 4  
TBN. 1  
TBN. 2  
TBN. 3  
BASS TBN.  
GTR.  
PNO.  
BASS  
DRUMS  
AUX. PERC.

52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59

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CONDUCTOR

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RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

ALTO 1  
ALTO 2  
TENOR 1  
TENOR 2  
BASS 1  
TPT. 1  
TPT. 2  
TPT. 3  
TPT. 4  
TBN. 1  
TBN. 2  
TBN. 3  
BASS TBN.  
GTR.  
PNO.  
BASS  
DRUMS  
AUX. PERC.

F/G E/F<sup>#</sup> D/E D/E<sup>b</sup> B7(9) E7(9) A13(9) Dm7(4)

60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67

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A page of musical notation for a large orchestra and piano. The page is filled with red diagonal text reading "Preview Only Legal Use Requires Purchase". The musical score includes parts for Alto 1, Alto 2, Tenor 1, Tenor 2, Bassoon, Tpt. 1, Tpt. 2, Tpt. 3, Tpt. 4, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tbn. 3, Bass Tbn., Gtr., Pno., Bass, Drums, and Aux. Perc. The score is numbered 68 at the bottom left, 74 at the top right, and includes measure numbers 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, and 75 along the bottom.

ALTO 1  
ALTO 2  
TENOR 1  
TENOR 2  
BARI.  
TPT. 1  
TPT. 2  
TPT. 3  
TPT. 4  
TBN. 1  
TBN. 2  
TBN. 3  
BASS TBN.  
GTR.  
PNO.  
BASS  
DRUMS  
AUX. PERC.

68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75

74

CONDUCTOR

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RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

ALTO 1  
ALTO 2  
TENOR 1  
TENOR 2  
BASS 1  
TPT. 1  
TPT. 2  
TPT. 3  
TPT. 4  
TBN. 1  
TBN. 2  
TBN. 3  
BASS TBN.  
GTR.  
PNO.  
BASS  
DRUMS  
AUX. PERC.

76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83

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CONDUCTOR

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RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

ALTO 1  
ALTO 2  
TENOR 1  
TENOR 2  
BASS.  
TPT. 1  
TPT. 2  
TPT. 3  
TPT. 4  
TBN. 1  
TBN. 2  
TBN. 3  
BASS TBN.  
GTR.  
PNO.  
BASS  
DRUMS  
AUX. PERC.

84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91

## CONDUCTOR

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## RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

92 Bm7

93 Em7

94 Em7

95 Em7

96 Em7

97 Em7

98 Em7

99 Em7

92 Am7

93 D15

94 G15

95 C9

96 C9

97 C9

98 C9

99 C9

92 C7(9)

93 F7(9)

94 C7(9)

95 F7(9)

96 E7(9)

97 A7(9)

98 E7(9)

99 A7(9)

## CONDUCTOR

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## RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

Conductor

ALTO 1

ALTO 2

TENOR 1

TENOR 2

BARI.

TPT. 1

TPT. 2

TPT. 3

TPT. 4

TBN. 1

TBN. 2

TBN. 3

BASS TBN.

QTZ.

PNO.

BASS

DRUMS

AUX. PERC.

100

101

102

103

104

105

106

107

## CONDUCTOR

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## RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

108 G7 F7 F7 E7 G7 F7 C#m9 F13 C#m7(b5) C#7(b5)

109 G7 B7 A7 C7 B7 E7 G7 F7 C#m9 B7 C#m7(b5) B7 C#7(b5)

110 B7 A7 E7 G7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7

111 B7 A7 E7 G7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7

112 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7

113 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7

114 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7

115 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7 E7 B7 A7

## CONDUCTOR

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## RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

116 Bm7

117 Em7

118 Dm7

119 G15

120 C#m7(4)

121 F#7

122 B7(4)

123 E7

CONDUCTOR

BMI7

- 16 -

BMI BMIN7/A GMIN7(B5) BM7/F# G9 F#(G5) BMI7

RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

ALTO 1

ALTO 2

TENOR 1 EMIN7

TENOR 2

BARI.

TPP. 1

TPP. 2 EMIN7

TPP. 3

TPP. 4 EMIN7

TBN. 1 DMIN7

TBN. 2

TBN. 3

BASS TBN.

GTR.

PNO.

BASS

DRUMS

AUX. PERC.

124 125 126 127 128 129 130 131

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RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

ALTO 1

ALTO 2

TENOR 1

TENOR 2

BASS 1

TPT. 1

TPT. 2

TPT. 3

TPT. 4

TBN. 1

TBN. 2

TBN. 3

BASS TBN.

GTR.

PNO.

BASS

DRUMS

AUX. PERC.

Dm7(4)

G9

Dm7(4)

A7(5)

Solo Fill

Solo Fill

FILL

FILL

132

133

134

135

136

137

138

139

CONDUCTOR

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RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

ALTO 1  
ALTO 2  
TENOR 1  
TENOR 2  
BARI.  
TPT. 1  
TPT. 2  
TPT. 3  
TPT. 4  
TBN. 1  
TBN. 2  
TBN. 3  
BASS TBN.  
GTR.  
PNO.  
BASS  
DRUMS  
AUX. PERC.

DH7(4) F9 G9 B9 A7(5) A7(5) C7(6) E9 D7(9)

Solo Fill  
Fill

140

141

142

143

144

145

146

147

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150

151

152

153

154

155

CONDUCTOR

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RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

ALTO 1

ALTO 2

TENOR 1

TENOR 2

BARI.

TPT. 1

TPT. 2

TPT. 3

TPT. 4

TBN. 1

TBN. 2

TBN. 3

BASS TBN.

GTR.

PNO.

BASS

DRUMS

AUX. PERC.

156

157

158

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160

161

162

163

CONDUCTOR

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RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

ALTO 1  
ALTO 2  
TENOR 1  
TENOR 2  
BARI.  
TPT. 1  
TPT. 2  
TPT. 3  
TPT. 4  
TBN. 1  
TBN. 2  
TBN. 3  
BASS TBN.  
GRTR.  
PNO.  
BASS  
DRUMS  
AUX. PERC.

164      165      166      167      168      169      170      171

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RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

A musical score page for a 17-piece ensemble. The instrumentation includes: CONDUCTOR, ALTO 1, ALTO 2, TENOR 1, TENOR 2, BARI., TPT. 1, TPT. 2, TPT. 3, TPT. 4, TBN. 1, TBN. 2, TBN. 3, BASS TBN., GTR., PNO., BASS, DRUMS, and AUX. PERC. The score is in 6/8 time, with a key signature of one sharp. Measure numbers 170 through 179 are indicated at the bottom of each staff. The title "RUNNING WITH SCISSORS" is in the top right corner. A large red watermark reading "Review Use Requires Purchase" is diagonally across the page.

CONDUCTOR

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RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

ALTO 1

ALTO 2

TENOR 1

TENOR 2

BASS 1

TPT. 1

TPT. 2

TPT. 3

TPT. 4

TBN. 1

TBN. 2

TBN. 3

BASS TBN.

GTR.

PNO.

BASS

DRUMS

AUX. PERC.

Am7(4)

Am7(4)

Solo

180

181

182

183

184

185

186

CONDUCTOR

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RUNNING WITH SCISSORS

ALTO 1

ALTO 2

TENOR 1

TENOR 2

BARI.

TPT. 1

TPT. 2

TPT. 3

TPT. 4

TBN. 1

TBN. 2

TBN. 3

BASS TBN.

GTR.

PNO.

BASS

DRUMS

AUX. PERC.

187

188

189

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191

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193