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# WELCOME TO THE MAJORS

Rob Vuono, Jr.

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## Instrumentation

1st Alto Sax  
2nd Alto Sax  
1st Tenor Sax  
2nd Tenor Sax  
Bari Sax

1st Trumpet  
2nd Trumpet  
3rd Trumpet  
4th Trumpet

1st Trombone  
2nd Trombone  
3rd Trombone  
4th Trombone

Guitar  
Piano  
Bass  
Drums

## Program Notes

You've worked hard; hours upon hours of practice, study, and dedication. Now you've made it. **Welcome to the Majors!**

All of the sections of the team (trumpets, trombones, saxophones, and rhythm) get a chance to step up to the plate and take a swing. A few featured players have solo honors midway through the piece. All sections get together for a rollicking shout chorus during the final innings of the chart. Make sure to listen closely as the saxes play a brief quote of "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" at the bottom of the ninth.

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## Rehearsal Suggestions

**Welcome to the Majors** is a fun piece that features a lively melody set atop a 12-bar blues frame with a light shuffle beat, and features the entire jazz ensemble as well as each of the sections. The tempo sits well between 132 and 144 BPM; too fast or too slow will ruin the feel altogether.

First at bat is the rhythm section, and it is important to play what is on the page as these phrases are used throughout the piece. Contrasts between soft and loud are important to this piece, so please pay close attention to all dynamic markings (for example, the upbeat of 3 in bar 8).

The melody is presented three ways, starting at bar 13: trumpets (with piano fills); saxes (with brass and piano fills); brass (with sax fills).

Please make sure all of the ensembles are played decisively and crisp, with careful attention paid to all inflections and articulations. For example:

- "Drops" are marked either "quick" (m. 25 and 29) or "long" (bar 128), and are more effective if played that way.
- Saxes should play their figures in m. 37; 41; 85; 89; 97; 101; and 123 with precision and a very full sound (it may be played louder than marked, but definitely not softer). The Saxes should also "dig in" as much as possible during their soli at m. 51-52.
- Trombones should play m. 54-56 with as much inflection as possible, especially the scooped and dropped chord on the upbeat of 3 in bar 56; this will make the transition to the solo section much more effective, so make sure the trombones really play out here.

The solo section is written for tenor sax, but additional solos may be added between m. 61 through 72; just play the backgrounds the second time through each solo, or the last time if you want to have the soloist play for more than 2 choruses. Make sure there is an overall decrescendo the last time through m. 71 and 72 before proceeding to bar 73.

The trombones step up to the plate (after the solo section) with a soli, so make sure to bring this out. This will lead beautifully to the shout chorus that begins at bar 85. We reach the summit of the chart at bar 97 and hit the apex at bar 104.

Bar 113-118 is a tag that develops the melodic fragments of the piece before the final inning of this chart; the Saxes briefly quote "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" at bar 125. Make as much as possible of the final long drop at the end of the piece.

Keep the rhythm propulsive but light, and the ensembles confident and crisp and you will have the ingredients of a winning game!

## About the Composer



Composer and arranger **Rob Vuono, Jr.** is currently staff composer/arranger for the United States Navy Band in Washington, DC. Rob received his formal training at both the Manhattan School of Music and Mannes College of Music, studying classical composition and orchestration with Dr. Leo Edwards, Giampaolo Bracali, and David Loeb. Additionally, Rob studied arranging with Johnny Carisi, Jo Boyer, and Gil Evans. Rob has freelanced as a writer and performer in the New York area, and has been active as a jazz studies instructor for the International Art of Jazz program and director of the Stony Brook Jazz Ensemble at SUNY, Stony Brook, New York.

In 1986, Rob was hired as a writer and performer for the U.S. Navy Band, traveling throughout Europe, North Africa, and the Middle East for a two and a half year period before returning to the United States and securing positions as staff arranger for the U.S. Naval Academy Band, and arranging instructor at the Armed Forces School of Music in Norfolk, VA. Rob writes for a wide variety of ensembles (wind and jazz ensemble, orchestra, choral, and chamber groups), and has written for a diverse group of performers that include the rock group Phish, Larry Gatlin, Ce Ce Winans, and the Bluebonnet Brass. An accomplished trumpet and piano instrumentalist, Rob is currently active as a writer, performer, and bandleader, releasing recordings of his work by his own big band.

*Rob Vuono, Jr.*

# WELCOME TO THE MAJORS

CONDUCTOR SCORE

032-4658-00

COMPOSED AND ARRANGED BY

ROB VUONO, JR. (ASCAP)

MEEDIUM LITE SHUFFLE  $\text{d}=132$

**Instrumentation:**

- 1st Alto Sax
- 2nd Alto Sax
- 1st Tenor Sax
- 2nd Tenor Sax
- Bass Sax
- 1st Trumpet
- 2nd Trumpet
- 3rd Trumpet
- 4th Trumpet
- 1st Trombone
- 2nd Trombone
- 3rd Trombone
- 4th Trombone
- Guitar
- Piano
- Bass
- Drum Set

**Musical Instructions:**

- "AS IS" THROUGH BAR 60
- Solo E♭ (Long Damp)
- "AS IS" THROUGH BAR 60
- Solo
- Pizz.
- (CLOSED Hi Hat)

**Performance Markings:**

- Medium Lite Shuffle  $\text{d}=132$
- $\text{D}^{\text{b}} (\text{E}^{\text{b}})$

18

1st A. Sx.  
2nd A. Sx.  
1st T. Sx.  
2nd T. Sx.  
B. Sx.  
1st Trp.  
2nd Trp.  
3rd Trp.  
4th Trp.  
1st Tbn.  
2nd Tbn.  
3rd Tbn.  
4th Tbn.  
Pno.  
Bass  
D. S.

SOLI

*(For reference only)*

9                    10                    11                    12                    13                    14                    15                    16

*(Line Fill)*

*(Long Drn)*

1st A. Sx.

2nd A. Sx.

1st T. Sx.

2nd T. Sx.

B. Sx.

1st Trp.

2nd Trp.

3rd Trp.

4th Trp.

1st Tbn.

2nd Tbn.

3rd Tbn.

4th Tbn.

Qrt.

Pno.

Sass.

D. S.

17      18      19      20      21      22      23      24

25

SOLI

1st A. Sx.  
2nd A. Sx.  
1st T. Sx.  
2nd T. Sx.  
B. Sx.

1st Trp.  
2nd Trp.  
3rd Trp.  
4th Trp.

1st Tbn.  
2nd Tbn.  
3rd Tbn.  
4th Tbn.

Pno.

Bass  
D. S.

*(Quick Drop)*

*(Long Drop)*

*(Long Drop)*

*(Long Drop)*

*(Brass) >*

*(Tres) >*

87

1st A. SX.      2nd A. SX.      3rd A. SX.      4th A. SX.

1st T. SX.      2nd T. SX.      3rd T. SX.      4th T. SX.

S. SX.

1st TR.      2nd TR.      3rd TR.      4th TR.

1st TBN.      2nd TBN.      3rd TBN.      4th TBN.

Pno.

BASS.      DR.

(BASS) > (LITE FILL)

me 33      34      35      36      37      38      39      40

For reference only. Not valid for performance.

1st A. Sx. 2nd A. Sx. 1st T. Sx. 2nd T. Sx. B. Sx. 1st Tr. 2nd Tr. 3rd Tr. 4th Tr. 1st Tbn. 2nd Tbn. 3rd Tbn. 4th Tbn. Alto. Pno. Bass. D. S.

41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48

**Measures 41-48:**

- 1st A. Sx., 2nd A. Sx., 1st T. Sx., 2nd T. Sx., B. Sx., 1st Tr., 2nd Tr., 3rd Tr., 4th Tr., 1st Tbn., 2nd Tbn., 3rd Tbn., 4th Tbn., Alto., Pno., Bass., D. S.:** These voices play eighth-note patterns primarily consisting of eighth-note pairs and sixteenth-note pairs. Measures 41-44 show eighth-note pairs, while measures 45-48 show sixteenth-note pairs.
- Measures 45-48 (Brass):** The brass section (measures 45-48) consists of two parts: (Brass) and (Brass). They play eighth-note patterns primarily consisting of eighth-note pairs and sixteenth-note pairs.
- Measures 45-48 (Line Fill):** The line fill (measures 45-48) consists of two parts: (Line Fill) and (Line Fill). They play eighth-note patterns primarily consisting of eighth-note pairs and sixteenth-note pairs.

**Chord Labels:**

- Measure 41:** Dmin7(b5)
- Measure 42:** Dmin7(b5)
- Measure 43:** Eb7/b
- Measure 44:** Gb7/g
- Measure 45:** Eb7/b
- Measure 46:** Gb7/g
- Measure 47:** Eb7/gbss
- Measure 48:** Eb7/g

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49

SOLI

1st A. SX.  
END A. SX.  
1st T. SX.  
END T. SX.  
B. SX.  
1st TRP.  
END TRP.  
2nd TRP.  
3rd TRP.  
1st TBNL.  
END TBNL.  
2nd TBNL.  
3rd TBNL.  
4th TBNL.  
PNO.  
SNARE  
D. S.

A<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>

(B106) (B106) (B106) (B106) (OPEN HI HAT)

(EN6) (EN6) (FILL) (Tess)

(Tess) (Tess) (Tess) (Tess)

(Tess) (Tess) (Tess) (Tess) (Tess) (Tess) (Tess) (Tess) (Tess) (Tess) (Tess)

*F* SOLO

G<sup>bb</sup> Emin7(B6) A7(B9B10)

(B107) (B107) (B107) (B107)

Domin7(B6) G7(B9B10)

49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56

9

61 (BACKGROUNDS ON CUE)  
(OPT. REPEAT FOR ADDITIONAL SOLOS)

1st A. Sx.      2nd A. Sx.      3rd T. Sx.      4th T. Sx.      5. Sx.

1st Trpt.      2nd Trpt.      3rd Trpt.      4th Trpt.      5th Trpt.

1st Tbn.      2nd Tbn.      3rd Tbn.      4th Tbn.      5th Tbn.

6. Tbn.      7. Tbn.      8. Tbn.      9. Tbn.      10. Tbn.

1st Tpt.      2nd Tpt.      3rd Tpt.      4th Tpt.      5th Tpt.

Pno.

Bass

Dr.

57            58            59            60            61            62            63            64

(LITE FILL)      (BAND HITS ON REPEAT ONLY)      (TREBLE)

*(Not valid for performance)*

1st A. Sx.

2nd A. Sx.

E MIN7(6)

A7(65)

D MIN9

A♭11sus

G11sus

C11sus G♭11sus A7(65)

A♭11sus F#11sus/G

1st T. Sx.

2nd T. Sx.

B. Sx.

(QUICK DROP)

1st Trp.

(QUICK DROP)

2nd Trp.

(QUICK DROP)

3rd Trp.

(QUICK DROP)

4th Trp.

(QUICK DROP)

1st Tsn.

(QUICK DROP)

(QUICK DROP)

(QUICK DROP)

2nd Tsn.

(QUICK DROP)

3rd Tsn.

(QUICK DROP)

4th Tsn.

(QUICK DROP)

(LAST X ONLY IF USING REPEAT)

2nd Tsn.

(LAST X ONLY IF USING REPEAT)

3rd Tsn.

(LAST X ONLY IF USING REPEAT)

4th Tsn.

(LAST X ONLY IF USING REPEAT)

Dr.

D MIN7(6)

A7(65)

C MIN9

A♭11sus F11sus

G11sus A♭11sus A7(65)

A♭11sus E♭11sus/F

Pno.

D MIN7(6)

A7(65)

C MIN9

A♭11sus F11sus

G11sus A♭11sus A7(65)

A♭11sus E♭11sus/F

Saxs.

(BAND HITS ON REPEAT ONLY) (Tess.) (P2)

(BAND HITS ON REPEAT ONLY) (Tess.) (P2)

(BAND HITS ON REPEAT ONLY) (Tess.) (P2)

Dec. Last X

(LITE FILL)

D. S.

65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72

73

1st A. Sx.  
2nd A. Sx.  
1st T. Sx.  
2nd T. Sx.  
B. Sx.

1st Trp.  
2nd Trp.  
3rd Trp.  
4th Trp.

1st Tbn.  
2nd Tbn.  
3rd Tbn.  
4th Tbn.

Pno.

Bass  
(Closed Hi Hat)  
(Tess)

73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80

85

1st R. Sx.  
2nd R. Sx.  
1st T. Sx.  
2nd T. Sx.  
B. Sx.  
1st Tr. M.  
2nd Tr. M.  
3rd Tr. M.  
4th Tr. M.  
1st Tbn.  
2nd Tbn.  
3rd Tbn.  
4th Tbn.  
C. HN.  
Pno.  
BASS.  
D. S.

CHIN<sup>9</sup> Eb<sup>7</sup> Eo1m EbMaj7/F Gb<sup>11</sup> EbMaj7/F Gb<sup>9</sup> G<sup>7(11)</sup> Gb<sup>11</sup> F<sup>11</sup> Gb<sup>9</sup> "AS 16" TO END Eb<sup>9</sup> SOLO Gb<sup>7</sup> (Long Oct)  
 CHIN<sup>9</sup> Eb<sup>7</sup> Eo1m EbMaj7/F Gb<sup>11</sup> EbMaj7/F Gb<sup>9</sup> G<sup>7(11)</sup> Gb<sup>11</sup> F<sup>11</sup> Gb<sup>9</sup> "AS 16" TO END Eb<sup>9</sup> Gb<sup>7</sup>  
 (S1) (S2) (S3) (S4) (S5) (S6) (S7) (S8) (S9) (S10) (S11) (S12) (S13) (S14) (S15) (S16) (S17) (S18) (S19) (S20) (S21) (S22) (S23) (S24) (S25) (S26) (S27) (S28) (S29) (S30) (S31) (S32) (S33) (S34) (S35) (S36) (S37) (S38) (S39) (S40) (S41) (S42) (S43) (S44) (S45) (S46) (S47) (S48) (S49) (S50) (S51) (S52) (S53) (S54) (S55) (S56) (S57) (S58) (S59) (S60) (S61) (S62) (S63) (S64) (S65) (S66) (S67) (S68) (S69) (S70) (S71) (S72) (S73) (S74) (S75) (S76) (S77) (S78) (S79) (S80) (S81) (S82) (S83) (S84) (S85) (S86) (S87) (S88)

18

1st A. Sx.  
 2nd A. Sx.  
 1st T. Sx.  
 2nd T. Sx.  
 S. Sx.  
 1st Tr.  
 2nd Tr.  
 3rd Tr.  
 4th Tr.  
 1st Tbn.  
 2nd Tbn.  
 3rd Tbn.  
 4th Tbn.  
 Pno.  
 Bass.  
 Dr.

89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96

A<sup>b</sup><sub>11</sub>      G7(b<sup>b</sup><sub>9</sub><sub>b</sub><sub>11</sub>)      Eb<sup>b</sup><sub>9</sub>      g<sup>b</sup><sub>7</sub><sub>9</sub>      ob<sup>b</sup><sub>7</sub><sub>9</sub> ab<sup>b</sup><sub>11</sub>      F<sup>b</sup><sub>9</sub>  
 A<sup>b</sup><sub>11</sub>      G7(b<sup>b</sup><sub>9</sub><sub>b</sub><sub>11</sub>)      Eb<sup>b</sup><sub>9</sub>      g<sup>b</sup><sub>7</sub><sub>9</sub>      ob<sup>b</sup><sub>7</sub><sub>9</sub> ab<sup>b</sup><sub>11</sub>      F<sup>b</sup><sub>9</sub>  
 (8e)      (8e)      (FILL)      (8e)      (8e)      (FILL)      (8e)      (8e)      (Gtr 1 Un)      (8e)      (FILL)

97

1st A. Sx.  
2nd A. Sx.  
1st T. Sx.  
2nd T. Sx.  
B. Sx.  
1st Trp.  
2nd Trp.  
3rd Trp.  
4th Trp.  
1st Tsn.  
2nd Tsn.  
3rd Tsn.  
4th Tsn.  
Gtr.  
Pno.  
Bass  
Dr.

97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104

1st A. Sx.  
2nd A. Sx.  
1st T. Sx.  
2nd T. Sx.  
B. Sx.

1st Trp.  
2nd Trp.  
3rd Trp.  
4th Trp.

1st Tbn.  
2nd Tbn.  
3rd Tbn.  
4th Tbn.

Qrtz.  
Pno.

Sax  
Dr.

109

105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112

109

**118**  
 1st R. Sx.  
 2nd R. Sx.  
 1st T. Sx.  
 2nd T. Sx.  
 B. Sx.  
 1st Trp.  
 2nd Trp.  
 3rd Trp.  
 4th Trp.  
 1st Tbn.  
 2nd Tbn.  
 3rd Tbn.  
 4th Tbn.  
 Ctr.  
 Pno.  
 Snare  
 D. S.

**119**  
 SOLO  
 SOLO  
 SOLO  
 SOLO  
 SOLO  
 (QUICK CLEW)  
 CHIN<sup>9</sup> Eb MIN<sup>9</sup>  
 CHIN<sup>9</sup> Eb MIN<sup>9</sup> DMIN7(6)  
 A<sup>7</sup>(b5) B<sup>b</sup> MIN<sup>9</sup> Eb<sup>b</sup> MIN<sup>9</sup> CHIN<sup>9</sup> F<sup>7</sup>  
 (8e) (8e)

(LITE FILL) (CLOSED HI HAT) (8e)

113 114 115 116 117 118 119 120

1st A. SX. *Soli*  
 2nd A. SX. *ENG.*  
 1st T. SX. *Soli*  
 2nd T. SX. *ENG.*  
 B. SX. *Soli*  
 1st TRP. *ENG.*  
 2nd TRP. *Soli*  
 3rd TRP. *ENG.*  
 4th TRP. *Soli*  
 1st TN. *ENG.*  
 2nd TN. *Soli*  
 3rd TN. *ENG.*  
 4th TN. *Soli*  
 Qrt. *Solo B<sup>b</sup>(sus4) (Lona Den)*  
 Pno. *B<sup>b</sup>(sus4) (Lona Den)*  
 Bass. *Gm in 7(sus4)/C*  
 O.S. *(B/SAXES) (P108)*  
*(BRASS) (ENG)*  
*(P108) (ENG) (FILL OUT OVER LONA FALL)*