Blue Diamond

features Eb Alto Saxophone and Kendor Konvertible instrumentation style: jazz ballad duration 5:05

Gregory Yasinitsky

INSTRUMENTATION

Full Score Flute (opt.) Bb Clarinet (opt.) *1st Eb Alto Sax *2nd Eb Alto Sax *1st Bb Tenor Sax 2nd Bb Tenor Sax Eb Baritone Sax *1st Bb Trumpet *2nd Bb Trumpet 3rd Bb Trumpet 4th Bb Trumpet Horn In F (opt.) *1st Trombone 2nd Trombone 3rd Trombone 4th Trombone

Tuba (opt.)
Guitar
Guitar Chord Chart
Vibes (opt.)
*Piano
*Bass
*Drums

EXTRA SCORES & PARTS AVAILABLE

This chart playable by fewer than the standard number of instruments;

* above indicates essential parts.



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TO THE DIRECTOR

This beautiful ballad features alto saxophone, with an emphasis on lyricism and rich harmonies.

The soloist is essential to the success of this chart. Work with the soloist to develop expressive, smooth phrasing, and encourage them to use some vibrato, especially at the ends of long notes. Listening to recordings of great saxophonists like Cannonball Adderley, Phil Woods, Paul Desmond and others playing ballads will help them to get ideas about ballad phrasing.

There are many unison figures in this chart. Work to ensure that the figures are right in tune and also pay special attention to the dynamics. There is a place for the ensemble to shine in measures 68-83, however in general, the band should not overpower the soloist.

In the double time section, a written solo is provided, however always encourage improvisation. The chord progression, DMA7 to Emi7 to A7, is I to II to V in D major (alto key), so the notes in a D major scale will work throughout the solo.

SoloMate recordings are available at kendormusic.com for new Kendor and Doug Beach releases. This innovative resource lets students practice their solos by downloading professionally-recorded rhythm section accompaniment tracks. A full recording of this chart can be downloaded at www.kendormusic.com.

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Gregory W. Yasinitsky, Regents Professor of Music at Washington State University, has an international reputation as a composer, arranger and saxophonist. He is the winner of the American Prize in Composition and is a member of the Board of Directors for the Jazz Education Network. Additionally, Yasinitsky is a member of the Washington State Music Educators Hall of Fame and is a recipient of the WSU Eminent Faculty Award, WSU's top award for faculty. Yasinitsky is a recipient of grants and awards from the National Endowment for the Arts, The Commission Project, Artist Trust and ASCAP. He has written music especially for David Sanborn, Clark Terry, Dave Liebman and the USAF "Airmen of Note" big band. Yasinitsky has performed with Randy Brecker, Sean Jones, Tom Harrell, Ed Calle, Alex Acuna, Kirk Whalum, Claudio Roditi, Conrad Herwig, Sarah Vaughan, Ella Fitzgerald, Ray Charles, Louis Bellson, Stan Getz, Lionel Hampton, Lou Rawls, Manhattan Transfer, and many others.

FULL SCORE













Blue Diamond - 7 *1st Eb Alto Sax *2nd Eb Alto Sax *1st Bb Tenor Sax 2nd Bb Tenor Sax Eb Baritone Sax *1st Bb Trumpet *2nd Bb Trumpet 3rd Bb Trumpet 4th Bb Trumpet *1st Trombone 2nd Trombone 3rd Trombone 4th Trombone FMA7 GMI7 Guitar *тр* **G**м⁷ C9 FMA7 *Piano FMA7 G_{MI}7 C9 FMA7 *Bass CONTINUE SWING *Drums 53 56 60051



Blue Diamond - 9 (68) END SOLO *1st Eb Alto Sax *2nd Eb Alto Sax *1st Bb Tenor Sax fρ 2nd Bb Tenor Sax Eb Baritone Sax *1st Bb Trumpet *2nd Bb Trumpet 3rd Bb Trumpet 4th Bb Trumpet fρ *1st Trombone 2nd Trombone 3rd Trombone 4th Trombone Guitar *Piano *Bass HEAVY BACKBEAT CONTINUE BACKBEAT 72 60051









