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for the 2019 Illinois All State Jazz Ensemble

Clue's Blues

style: swing • difficulty level: medium advanced • duration 4:55

by **Scott Nimmer**

INSTRUMENTATION

Full Score
Alto Sax 1
Alto Sax 2
Tenor Sax 1
Tenor Sax 2
Baritone Sax
Trumpet 1
Trumpet 2
Trumpet 3
Trumpet 4
Trombone 1
Trombone 2
Trombone 3
Trombone 4
Guitar
Piano
Bass
Drums
Vibes (opt.)

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TO THE DIRECTOR

Playing all the dynamics are the key to a performance full of dramatic effect. Thus, places marked mezzo forte or softer (e.g. melody at measure 9), should be performed at a modest and relaxed volume so there is plenty of room to grow to the loudest moments of the piece.

The opening of the chart should start at a whisper and grow rapidly to the forte in measure 4. The two-measure crescendo at measure 31 should start from a lower volume and increase to its release at measure 33, as well as the subsequent occurrences at measure 92 and 116. The forte pianissimos at measures 36-40 should be as exaggerated as possible, as well as the swells in measures 130-137. At measure 173, it should instantly get very soft, with a long, constant crescendo to the peak at measure 181.

While the dynamic contrasts are important, care should also be taken to retain careful and consistent tuning and blend throughout so that those crunchy voicings really pop with resonance. It may be beneficial to practice tuning on some of the tenser voicings, such as the chords in measures 33, 38, 40, 129, and 184.

The saxophones have a chance to shine during their soli at measure 70. I highly recommend that students check out Thad Jones's sax solis in his charts "Three And One" and "Groove Merchant", which are wonderful references for this style of piece.

Finally, while most of the rhythms in the chart are standard fare, the rhythm in measure 124 is less common and a bit tricky, especially the placement of the third note (it's not a normal swing eighth note). The phrase is essentially a quarter note triplet with a short second note.

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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MEDIUM ADVANCED
duration 4:55

FULL SCORE

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SWING (♩ = 192)

1st E♭ Alto Sax
2nd E♭ Alto Sax
1st B♭ Tenor Sax
2nd B♭ Tenor Sax
E♭ Baritone Sax
1st B♭ Trumpet
2nd B♭ Trumpet
3rd B♭ Trumpet
4th B♭ Trumpet
1st Trombone
2nd Trombone
3rd Trombone
4th Trombone
Guitar
Piano
Bass
Drums
Vibes (opt.)

Chords: C maj7, F7sus, D+7(#9), G13(#9), D♭9, C13, C9, F13sus, F13, B♭13, G+7(b9), C9, F+7(b9)

Annotations: CHORDS CUED ON PART, FILL IN RESTS, BREAK

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Clue's Blues - 2

9

1st E♭ Alto Sax

2nd E♭ Alto Sax

1st B♭ Tenor Sax

2nd B♭ Tenor Sax

E♭ Baritone Sax

1st B♭ Trumpet

2nd B♭ Trumpet

3rd B♭ Trumpet

4th B♭ Trumpet

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone

3rd Trombone

4th Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Bass

Drums

Vibes

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Chords: B♭7, E♭7, B♭7, E7(♯9), E♭7, E♭7, B♭7/♯, G7

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CHORDS CUED ON PART WALK - IN 4

TIME

FILL -----

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9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

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18 19 20 21 22

Clue's Blues - 4

1st E♭ Alto Sax

2nd E♭ Alto Sax

1st B♭ Tenor Sax

2nd B♭ Tenor Sax

E♭ Baritone Sax

1st B♭ Trumpet

2nd B♭ Trumpet

3rd B♭ Trumpet

4th B♭ Trumpet

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone

3rd Trombone

4th Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Bass

Drums

Vibes

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FILL IN RESTS

E♭7

E♭7

B♭7/F

A♭9 G7(b9)

D♭9

C13

C9

A♭13(#11)

G+7(b9) C9

C13 B♭13

G13(#11)

C9

F13(b9)

Clue's Blues - 5

33 SOLO G7 D^b7 C7 C#o7 Gma7/D E13(#9)

1st E^b Alto Sax

2nd E^b Alto Sax

1st B^b Tenor Sax

2nd B^b Tenor Sax

E^b Baritone Sax

1st B^b Trumpet

2nd B^b Trumpet

3rd B^b Trumpet

4th B^b Trumpet

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone

3rd Trombone

4th Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Bass

Drums

Vibes

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Clue's Blues - 6

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Clue's Blues - 7

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49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56

1st E♭ Alto Sax

2nd E♭ Alto Sax

1st B♭ Tenor Sax

2nd B♭ Tenor Sax

E♭ Baritone Sax

1st B♭ Trumpet

2nd B♭ Trumpet

3rd B♭ Trumpet

4th B♭ Trumpet

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone

3rd Trombone

4th Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Bass

Drums

Vibes

Chords: C⁷, C[♯]o⁷, G⁷/D, E¹³([♯]9), A¹³([♯]11), D⁺7([♯]9), G⁷, E¹³([♭]9), A⁹, D¹³([♭]9), F⁷, F[♯]o⁷, C⁷/G, A¹³([♯]9), D¹³([♯]11), G⁺7([♯]9), C⁷, A¹³([♭]9), D⁹, G¹³([♭]9), E[♭]7, E^o7, B[♭]7/F, G¹³([♯]9), C¹³([♯]11), F⁺7([♯]9), B[♭]7, G¹³([♭]9), C⁹, F¹³([♭]9), E[♭]7, E^o7, B[♭]7/F, G¹³([♯]9), C¹³([♯]11), F⁺7([♯]9), B[♭]7, G¹³([♭]9), C⁹, F¹³([♭]9)

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Clue's Blues - 8

57 ON CUE - BK&DS.

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

Guitar

Piano

Bass

Drums

Vibes

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57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64

Chord Progression:

- 1st Eb Alto Sax: G7, C7, G7, Db7(#11), C7sus, C7, G7, Eb13(#9)
- 2nd Eb Alto Sax: G7, C7, G7, Db7(#11), C7sus, C7, G7, Eb13(#9)
- 1st Bb Tenor Sax: C7, F7, C7, Gb7(#11), F7sus, F7, C7, A13(#9)
- 2nd Bb Tenor Sax: C7, F7, C7, Gb7(#11), F7sus, F7, C7, A13(#9)
- Eb Baritone Sax: C7, F7, C7, Gb7(#11), F7sus, F7, C7, A13(#9)
- 1st Bb Trumpet: C7, F7, C7, Gb7(#11), F7sus, F7, C7/G, A13(#9)
- 2nd Bb Trumpet: C7, F7, C7, Gb7(#11), F7sus, F7, C7/G, A13(#9)
- 3rd Bb Trumpet: C7, F7, C7, Gb7(#11), F7sus, F7, C7/G, A13(#9)
- 4th Bb Trumpet: C7, F7, C7, Gb7(#11), F7sus, F7, C7/G, A13(#9)
- 1st Trombone: Bb7, Eb7, Bb7, E7(#11), Eb7sus, Eb7, Bb7, G13(#9)
- 2nd Trombone: Bb7, Eb7, Bb7, E7(#11), Eb7sus, Eb7, Bb7, G13(#9)
- 3rd Trombone: Bb7, Eb7, Bb7, E7(#11), Eb7sus, Eb7, Bb7, G13(#9)
- 4th Trombone: Bb7, Eb7, Bb7, E7(#11), Eb7sus, Eb7, Bb7, G13(#9)
- Guitar: Bb7, Eb7, Bb7, E7(#11), Eb7sus, Eb7, Bb7, G13(#9)
- Piano: Bb7, Eb7, Bb7, E7(#11), Eb7sus, Eb7, Bb7, G13(#9)
- Bass: Bb7, Eb7, Bb7, E7(#11), Eb7sus, Eb7, Bb7, G13(#9)
- Drums: Bb7, Eb7, Bb7, E7(#11), Eb7sus, Eb7, Bb7, G13(#9)
- Vibes: Bb7, Eb7, Bb7, E7(#11), Eb7sus, Eb7, Bb7, G13(#9)

Clue's Blues - 9

1. OPT. REPEAT FOR MORE SOLOS

2. GOIN' ON

70

1st E♭ Alto Sax

2nd E♭ Alto Sax

1st B♭ Tenor Sax

2nd B♭ Tenor Sax

E♭ Baritone Sax

1st B♭ Trumpet

2nd B♭ Trumpet

3rd B♭ Trumpet

4th B♭ Trumpet

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone

3rd Trombone

4th Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Bass

Drums

Vibes

Chords: A⁹, D⁹, G⁷, E¹³(b⁹), D⁹, G⁷, C⁷, A¹³(b⁹), D⁹, G¹³(b⁹), A⁹, D⁹, G¹³(b⁹), C⁹, F¹³(b⁹), B♭⁷, G¹³(b⁹), C⁹, F¹³(b⁹), B♭⁷, E♭⁷, B♭⁷, B♭⁷SUS, E⁷

END SOLO

WALK - AD LIB

TIME SAXES

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65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73

Clue's Blues - 10

1st E♭ Alto Sax

2nd E♭ Alto Sax

1st B♭ Tenor Sax

2nd B♭ Tenor Sax

E♭ Baritone Sax

1st B♭ Trumpet

2nd B♭ Trumpet

3rd B♭ Trumpet

4th B♭ Trumpet

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone

3rd Trombone

4th Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Bass

Drums

Vibes

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Chords: E♭7, E♭7, B♭7/F, G13(♯9), C13(♯11), F+7(♯9), B♭7, G13(b9), C9, F13(b9)

Drums: BRASS

Clue's Blues - 11

82

1st E♭ Alto Sax

2nd E♭ Alto Sax

1st B♭ Tenor Sax

2nd B♭ Tenor Sax

E♭ Baritone Sax

1st B♭ Trumpet

2nd B♭ Trumpet

3rd B♭ Trumpet

4th B♭ Trumpet

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone

3rd Trombone

4th Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Bass

Drums

Vibes

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Clue's Blues - 12

1st E♭ Alto Sax

2nd E♭ Alto Sax

1st B♭ Tenor Sax

2nd B♭ Tenor Sax

E♭ Baritone Sax

1st B♭ Trumpet

2nd B♭ Trumpet

3rd B♭ Trumpet

4th B♭ Trumpet

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone

3rd Trombone

4th Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Bass

Drums

Vibes

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(94) OPEN FOR SOLOS (TBN. FIRST)

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Clue's Blues - 14

106 ON CUE - BGDS.

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

Guitar

Piano

Bass

Drums

Vibes

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Clue's Blues - 15

OPT. REPEAT TO **94** FOR MORE SOLOS

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1st E♭ Alto Sax

2nd E♭ Alto Sax

1st B♭ Tenor Sax

2nd B♭ Tenor Sax

E♭ Baritone Sax

1st B♭ Trumpet

2nd B♭ Trumpet

3rd B♭ Trumpet

4th B♭ Trumpet

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone

3rd Trombone

4th Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Bass

Drums

Vibes

Chords: C⁷, G⁷, A m⁷, D⁷, G⁷, E¹³(b9), A⁹, D¹³(b9), F⁷, C⁷, D m⁷, G⁷, C⁷, A¹³(b9), D⁹, G¹³(b9), E♭⁷, B♭⁷, C m⁷, F⁷, B♭⁷, G¹³(b9), C⁹, F¹³(b9), E♭⁷(ADD4), B♭⁷(ADD4), C m¹¹, F⁷(SUS^{#9}), B♭⁷, G¹³(b9), C⁹, F¹³(b9)

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Clue's Blues - 16

118

ON CUE

1st E♭ Alto Sax

2nd E♭ Alto Sax

1st B♭ Tenor Sax

2nd B♭ Tenor Sax

E♭ Baritone Sax

1st B♭ Trumpet

2nd B♭ Trumpet

3rd B♭ Trumpet

4th B♭ Trumpet

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone

3rd Trombone

4th Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Bass

Drums

Vibes

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Clue's Blues - 17

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1st E♭ Alto Sax

2nd E♭ Alto Sax

1st B♭ Tenor Sax

2nd B♭ Tenor Sax

E♭ Baritone Sax

1st B♭ Trumpet

2nd B♭ Trumpet

3rd B♭ Trumpet

4th B♭ Trumpet

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone

3rd Trombone

4th Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Bass

Drums

Vibes

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C7 Cm7 F7 G7 Ab13 A13(b9) Bb13

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Clue's Blues - 19

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1st E♭ Alto Sax

2nd E♭ Alto Sax

1st B♭ Tenor Sax

2nd B♭ Tenor Sax

E♭ Baritone Sax

1st B♭ Trumpet

2nd B♭ Trumpet

3rd B♭ Trumpet

4th B♭ Trumpet

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone

3rd Trombone

4th Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Bass

Drums

Vibes

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TIME

FILL ----

ENS. SOLI

SAMPLE VOICINGS

B♭7

E♭7

B♭7

E7(♯9)

E♭7

E♭7

B♭7/F

G7

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Clue's Blues - 21

1st E♭ Alto Sax

2nd E♭ Alto Sax

1st B♭ Tenor Sax

2nd B♭ Tenor Sax

E♭ Baritone Sax

1st B♭ Trumpet

2nd B♭ Trumpet

3rd B♭ Trumpet

4th B♭ Trumpet

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone

3rd Trombone

4th Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Bass

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Clue's Blues - 22

1st E♭ Alto Sax

2nd E♭ Alto Sax

1st B♭ Tenor Sax

2nd B♭ Tenor Sax

E♭ Baritone Sax

1st B♭ Trumpet

2nd B♭ Trumpet

3rd B♭ Trumpet

4th B♭ Trumpet

1st Trombone

2nd Trombone

3rd Trombone

4th Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Bass

Drums

Vibes

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Clue's Blues - 23

174

1st E♭ Alto Sax
Cresc.

2nd E♭ Alto Sax
Cresc.

1st B♭ Tenor Sax
p Cresc.

2nd B♭ Tenor Sax
p Cresc.

E♭ Baritone Sax
p Cresc.

1st B♭ Trumpet
mp

2nd B♭ Trumpet
mp

3rd B♭ Trumpet
Cresc.

4th B♭ Trumpet
Cresc.

1st Trombone
p Cresc.

2nd Trombone
p Cresc.

3rd Trombone
p Cresc.

4th Trombone
p Cresc.

Guitar
Cm7 F7sus D7(♯9) G7(♯9) Cm7 F7sus D7(♯9) G7
p Cresc. CHORDS CUE

Piano
p Cresc.

Bass
p Cresc. FILL IN RESTS

Drums
p Cresc.

Vibes
p Cresc.

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Clue's Blues - 24

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

Guitar

Piano

Bass

Drums

Vibes

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SOLO

BREAK

FILL

C9

F13(#9)

Bb7/D

Eb

Gb/E

F7sus

Bb13(#11)

Bb13(#11)

Bb13(#11)