

THE BRAT

Rob Vuono, Jr.

Instrumentation

Alto Sax 1	Trombone 1
Alto Sax 2	Trombone 2
Tenor Sax 1	Trombone 3
Tenor Sax 2	Bass Trombone
Baritone Sax	Guitar Chord Guide
Trumpet 1	Guitar
Trumpet 2	Piano
Trumpet 3	Electric Bass
Trumpet 4	Drum Set
	Conductor's Full Score

Extra Conductor Score: \$6.00
Extra Parts: \$3.00

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The Composer

Composer and arranger Rob Vuono, Jr. is currently staff arranger for the U.S. Navy Band in Washington, D.C. 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, eventually securing the job of chief arranger for the U.S. Naval Academy Band in 1994. Rob writes for a wide variety of ensembles (jazz ensemble, wind ensemble, orchestra, choral groups, and chamber groups) and performers (the rock group Phish, the swing band Big Time Operator, and The Bluebonnet Brass). An accomplished trumpet and piano instrumentalist, Rob is currently active as a writer, performer, and bandleader, releasing recordings of arrangements by his own big band.

About the Music

The Brat, a nickname my good friend and colleague coined while we were living and performing in Europe, is essentially a 2-bar groove pattern that sits over a blues form, albeit a slightly altered blues form. The rhythm section parts should be played as is to achieve the proper groove. Although electric piano and bass parts may appear difficult, they are repetitive and actually lay quite well on the instruments. Most of the tune is played off the 15-bar blues form, so a bit of shedding on this section will cover quite a bit. Above all, the rhythm section must be tight, but relaxed.

After an intense 3-bar intro, the chart quickly settles into the main groove. Trumpet and tenor sax carry most of the melody on this one. Another trumpet and tenor sax joins at bar 21. The sax section is featured in soli at bar 40. This entire section is played in unison octaves and features some very angular lines that weave in and out of the extensions of the chords. If you like, a tenor solo may be used in this section in place of the section soli.

A slight change of feel marks the shout chorus at bar 74, building throughout to bar 85, which thickens the texture up a bit. This is where the chart should really cook. It is most important for the electric piano to play what is written at bars 79 and 90, and for saxes to really play out.

A brief recap of the theme leads to the coda. Like the intro, the coda should be very intense. Attention to tempo, dynamics (for good contrast), and articulation are most important. Modest range demands make this chart easily accessible to most ensembles.

APPROX. PERFORMANCE TIME = 4:30

THE BRAT

ROB VUONO, JR.
(ASCAP)

MEDIUM FUNK ($\text{♩} = 92$)

The musical score consists of 16 staves, each representing a different instrument or section. The instruments listed from top to bottom are: 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, Bass Trombone, Guitar, Piano, Electric Bass, and Drum Set. The score is set in common time with a key signature of two sharps. The tempo is Medium Funk, indicated by $\text{♩} = 92$. The instrumentation includes woodwind sections (Alto, Tenor, Baritone Saxes), brass sections (Trumpets, Trombones), a guitar part, a piano part, an electric bass part, and a drum set. The score features various dynamics such as *Cresc.*, *Poco a Poco*, and *Muted*. Specific performance instructions like "CLEAN", "ABSS", and "AS WRITTEN" are also present. Measure numbers 1 through 6 are marked along the bottom staff. A large orange watermark reading "Reproduction Prohibited" is overlaid across the entire page.

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(8)

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

Bass Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Electric Bass

Drum Set

7 8 9 10 11 12

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

Bass Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Electric Bass

Drum Set

13 14 15 16 17 18

CLEAN E⁹ D⁹ D₇(B⁹)
CHORDS APPEAR ON PART

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(21)

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

Bass Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Electric Bass

Drum Set

AS WRITTEN
Muted

C^9 B^9/Bb^9 Ab^{13} Gb^{13} B^{-9} D^9 C^9 B^9/Bb^9 E^9/D^9 C^9 B^9/Bb^9 $C7(9)/G^9$

19 20 $m\frac{4}{4}$ 21 $m\frac{4}{4}$ 22 23 24

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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

Bass Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Electric Bass

Drum Set

25 26 27 28 29 30

F⁹ E⁹ E⁹ B⁹ C⁹ B⁹ B⁹ A⁹ B⁹ G⁹ B⁹ F⁹ G⁹ G⁹ F⁹ F⁹ E⁹ E⁹ B⁹

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(34)

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

Bass Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Electric Bass

Drum Set

31

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(40)

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

Bass Trombone

Guitar

Muted

Piano

Electric Bass

Drum Set

37 38 39 m1 40 41 42

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

Bass Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Electric Bass

Drum Set

43 44 45 46 47 48

53

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
Bass Trombone
Guitar
Piano
Electric Bass
Drum Set

49 50 51 52 53 54

CLEAN Eb⁹
D⁹ B_b7(9)
MUTED

F⁹ E⁹ Eb7(9) CHORDS APPEAR ON PART C⁹ B⁹ Bb⁹ Gb11b F11 B⁹ C⁹ B⁹ Bb⁹ - C⁹ B⁹ Bb⁹ Ab11b Gb11b B-9 D⁹

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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

Bass Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Electric Bass

Drum Set

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

Bass Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Electric Bass

Drum Set

61 62 63 64 65

(68)

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

Bass Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Electric Bass

Drum Set

66

67

68

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70

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74

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

Bass Trombone

Guitar

Muted

Piano

Electric Bass

Drum Set

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71 72 73 74 75 76

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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

Bass Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Electric Bass

Drum Set

77 78 79 80 81

85

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

Bass Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Electric Bass

Drum Set

82

83

84

85

86

Review禁
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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

Bass Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Electric Bass

Drum Set

87 88 89 90 91

Alto Sax 1

Alto Sax 2

Tenor Sax 1

Tenor Sax 2

Baritone Sax

Trumpet 1
HAND OVER BELL WAH OPEN SLOWLY

Trumpet 2
HAND OVER BELL WAH OPEN SLOWLY

Trumpet 3
HAND OVER BELL WAH OPEN SLOWLY

Trumpet 4
HAND OVER BELL WAH OPEN SLOWLY

Trombone 1

Trombone 2

Trombone 3

Bass Trombone
TBN. 3 PLAY

Guitar
C9 C7(9) G9 Gb9 F9 F9 E9 Eb7(9)

Piano
CHORDS APPEAR ON PART AS WRITTEN MUTED

Electric Bass

Drum Set

92

93

94

95

96

98

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

Bass Trombone

Guitar

Piano

Electric Bass

Drum Set

97

98

99

100

101