EVERY DAY I HAVE THE BLUES

For 3-Part Mixed* and Piano with Optional Instrumental Accompaniment



*Available separately: 3-Part Mixed (00287797), 2-Part (00287798), ShowTrax CD (00287800) Rhythm parts available as a digital download (00287799) (gtr, b, dm) halleonard.com/choral

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Three Optional Scat Solos (to be sung in measures 28-40)





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PERFORMANCE NOTES

"Every Day I Have the Blues" is a 12-bar Blues (features a chord progression of twelve measures) dating back to 1935. It is not an exaggeration to say that this song is possibly one of the top-ten Blues tunes ever written! It has been recorded by singer Joe Williams with the incredible Count Basie Band and also legendary blues singer/guitarist B.B. King.

There is a vocal "stack" and optional repeats for vocal improvisation beginning in m. 29 that are much like a big jazz band...have fun with that! For you "wanna-be" vocal improvisers (Scat singers), there are three optional solos to help you get your Bee to Bop! These are found on page 12.

Remember to keep the swing concept alive and well.

When you see a pair of eighth notes starting on any beat, the first one is twice as long as the second one.

Keep swinging!

Kirby Shaw