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# A BALLAD

## ARRANGED BY BOB BROOKMEYER

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# FULL SCORE

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MUSIC BY GERRY MULLIGAN

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## GERRY MULLIGAN CONCERT JAZZ BAND SERIES

# **A BALLAD (1961)**

## **Background:**

During the summer of 1995, I had regular meetings with Gerry Mulligan to prepare a play-along volume of his compositions. Gerry would change things many times in preparing lead sheets, expecting me to be angry with him concerning the eighth or ninth change he would make to compositions, which were in some cases over thirty years old. I assured him that up until the music was published, he could change whatever he liked and I would edit it. In preparing the lead sheets, we consulted recordings of various types and his original scores, all carefully catalogued and usually in excellent shape. Without knowing it, he was imparting his ideas and values on composition and arranging to me during that period. I received his blessing to oversee any publication of his music if and when he was no longer around, and to make any changes I saw fit to make his music as correct and easy to read as possible.

Over the years, he'd been asked repeatedly to make his Concert Jazz Band library available for publication, and he'd resisted. In the early 1980s, he'd had an agreement to do just that with Alfred Music, and ended the relationship when two of his compositions were published on paper so thin that the opposite side of the page bled through. During my work sessions with him, he was finally willing to talk about revisiting the publication of his ensemble music. He told me that many of these arrangements were changed radically from what was originally written by such legendary names as Al Cohn, Bill Holman, and Bob Brookmeyer (his famous line to musicians in his bands was "Bring your erasers"). I promised him that when the time



came to publish this music I would adhere to what he changed and not what was originally written. He laughed and said that in some cases, that would be a challenge.

### **The Music:**

This beautiful piece composed by Gerry Mulligan in 1953 and arranged by Bob Brookmeyer was recorded in 1961 and appeared on the Concert Jazz Band album titled *Mulligan* '63. The set of original parts had many alterations made to them; however, most were made after the 1961 recording. We have elected to incorporate only those modifications that enable this publication to match the recording. It was determined that many changes were made much later, perhaps in the 1970s. Reed 4 was originally written for bass clarinet; there is a note on the part that reads "Play on Bari," and the part is indeed played on the baritone saxophone on the recording. No piano part was included in the score by Brookmeyer as the ensemble did not have this instrument. An optional piano part has been included. This part combines the guitar and bass parts. Playing this setting without the piano is strongly suggested (Mulligan deliberately did not included a piano player in the Concert Jazz Band as he favored a lighter sound). The parts themselves are not challenging, so middle school ensembles can study this. The challenge lies in playing the piece in tune, with everyone listening and thinking as one person. Rehearse this once the players are warmed up, and allow the magic to happen.

### **Acknowledgements:**

Thanks to Franca Mulligan (whose wish is that Gerry's music be made easily available for anyone to play), you hold in your hands one of the many historically important pieces from the Gerry Mulligan Concert Jazz Band book.

### Jeffrey Sultanof

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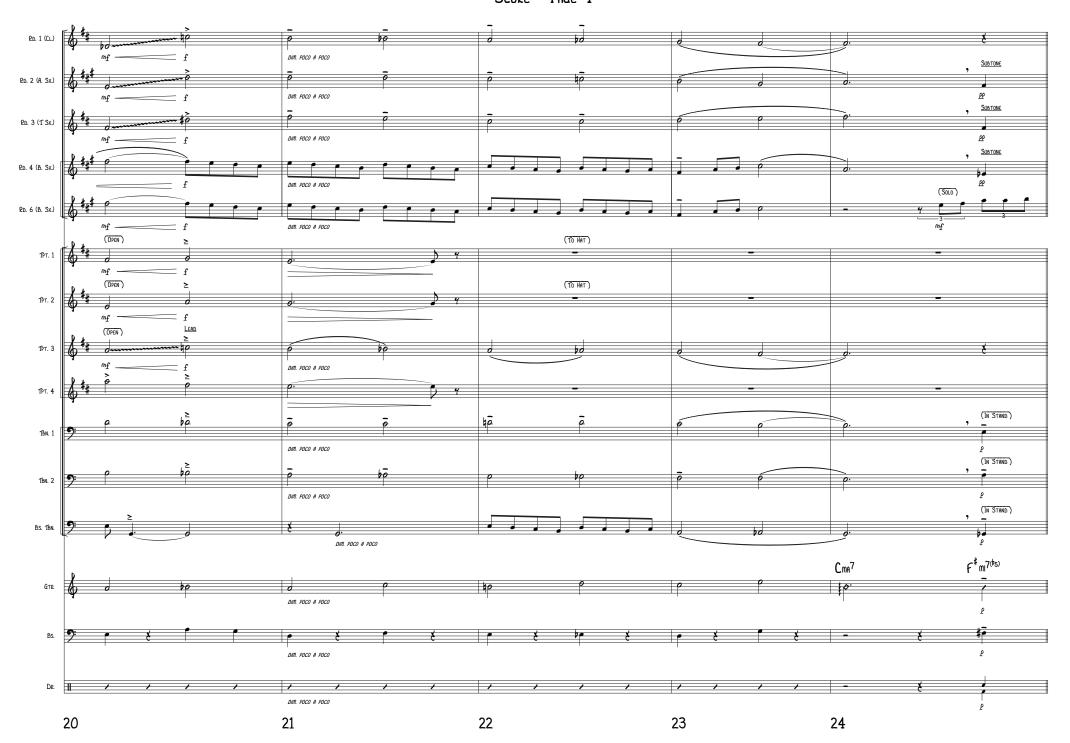
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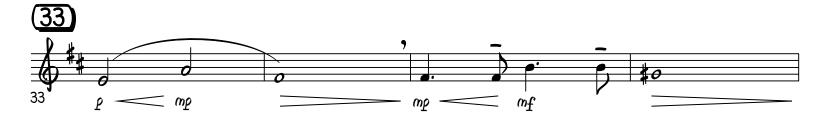
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REED 2: ALTO SAX. MUSIC BY GERRY MULLIGAN

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## REED 4: BARITONE SAX.

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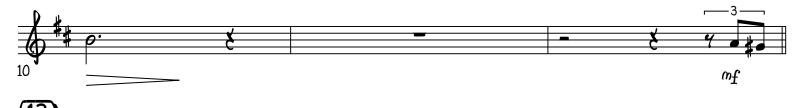
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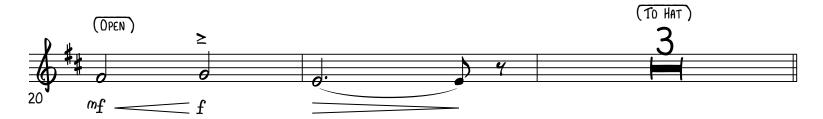
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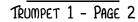














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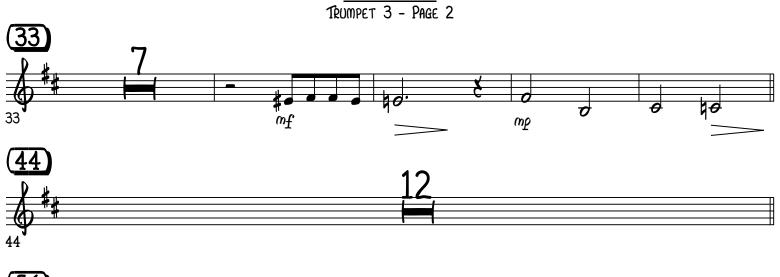


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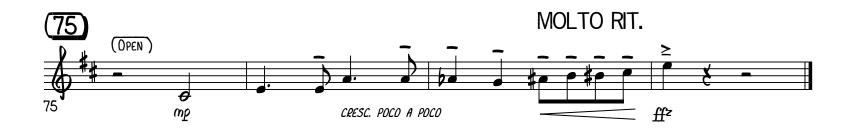
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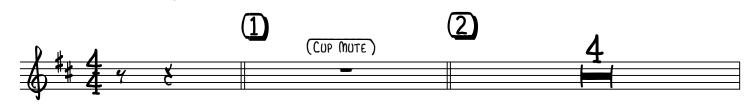
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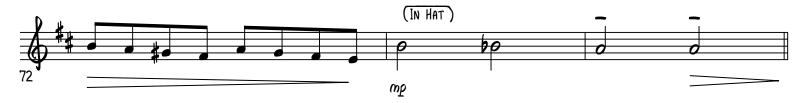












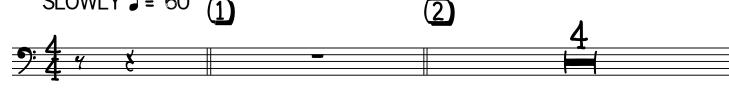


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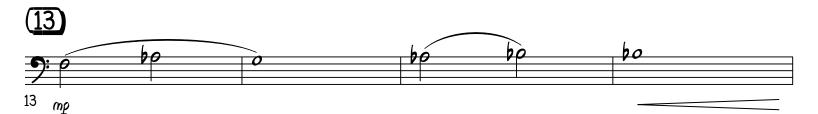
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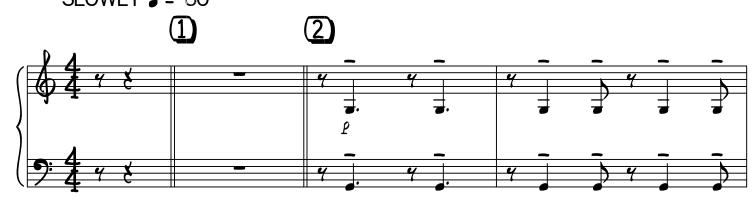
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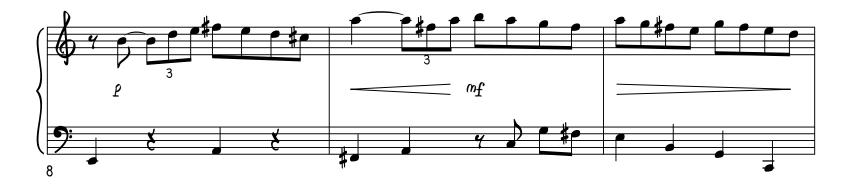
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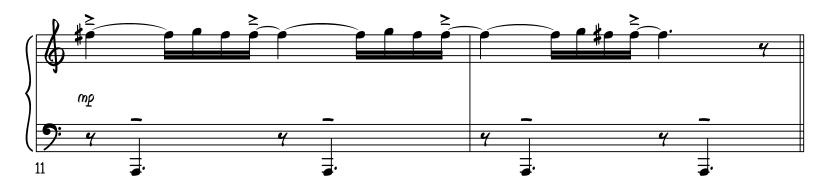
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