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## **EUGIPELLIV**

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## FULL SCORE

JLP-8466

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### EUGIPELLIV (1949)

### **Background:**

By 1949, several big bands, led by veteran leaders, were playing the new styles of music known as bebop and Latin jazz. Woody Herman and Les Brown liked some of the new music, but Benny Goodman hated it.

Charlie Barnet liked some of the new music, but was under pressure to fully embrace it given that Capitol, his record label, had lost the services of Stan Kenton, who had disbanded his unit. Capitol strongly encouraged Barnet to fill Kenton's void at the label. In later years, Barnet had become disenchanted about much of the music he had played, despite the bulk of his book having been written by the likes of Gil Fuller, Manny Albam, Pete Rugolo, Tiny Kahn, and Paul Villepigue. When Maynard Ferguson joined the Barnet band, he brought an explosive version of *All the Things You Are* written by Dennis Farnon (that the Jerome Kern estate hated), and Johnny Richards's version of *Rhapsody in Blue*. Richards's arrangement of the Gershwin classic was recorded but not released at the time due to pressure from the Gershwin estate.



This startling arrangement by Paul Villepigue was recorded by Charlie Barnet in 1949. Based around a g minor blues, this chart features a soprano saxophone solo. The arrangement opens with the trombones stating the initial melody. The trumpets then enter with a staccato melody that mirrors what the previous trombone statement. After a quiet 4-bar interlude the sax section comes in with the soprano saxophone on top. Throughout this section Latin percussion is featured with short solos. Villepigue's harmonies are very reminiscent of what the Ellington band was doing at the same time. Though not well known, this chart is a must-have for your band.

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