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NOW’S THE TIME

AS RECORDED BY SUPERSAX

ARRANGED BY MED FLORY

EDITED BY ROB DUBOFF AND JEFFREY SULTANOF

FULL SCORE

FROM THE ORIGINAL MANUSCRIPT

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Music by Charlie Parker

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After almost forty years, these classic arrangements by Med Flory of Charlie Parker solos harmonized for five saxophones are available for students and professionals.

The idea for celebrating the creativity of Parker goes back to 1956. According to Flory, he began transcribing the solos from a set of records that were sold to him by the alto saxophonist Joe Maini. He wrote three arrangements and Flory, Maini, Joe Kennedy, Richie Kamuca and Bill Hood ran them down for fun. Bassist Buddy Clark heard them and suggested Flory create a whole book of such solos. But it wasn’t until the early ‘70s that Supersax really came together. Flory and company rehearsed in his home for over a year until Flory’s wife finally suggested that they play at a club in Los Angeles called Donte’s. The reception was phenomenal, and the group soon made its first album, Supersax Plays Bird for Capitol Records. Supersax toured all over the world and has recorded nine albums to date; in 1974, one of them won a Grammy award.

The original scores and parts (where available) were used as the main sources for these publications.

This arrangement of Now’s the Time was recorded on the 1977 record Chasin’ the Bird. Please note that Med Flory decided to change the ending of this arrangement after the 1977 recording. The ending presented here is the new one, consequently it does not match the recorded version.

Jeffrey Sultanof
-May 2010
First page of the score to Just Friends.

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SCORE

BRIGHT SWING \( \frac{d}{4} = 200 \)

Alto Sax. 1
Alto Sax. 2
Tenor Sax. 1
Tenor Sax. 2
Baritone Sax.

Piano
Bass
Drum Set

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