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**BONITA**

RECORDED BY ANTONIO CARLOS JOBIM

ARRANGED BY NELSON RIDDLE

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**FULL SCORE**

FROM THE ORIGINAL MANUSCRIPT

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## **BONITA (1965)**

### **Background:**

Antonio Carlos Jobim is considered one of the greatest songwriters of the twentieth century. He is a national hero in Brazil, where an airport and streets are named for him. His influence in the jazz world is overwhelming, and new recordings of his songs continue to increase in each passing year.

Jobim, whose father was a diplomat, was born in 1927. Antonio grew up in Rio de Janeiro, and learned both the guitar and piano as a boy. He later said that he was influenced by Debussy and Ravel. He studied with a German piano teacher and was exposed to modern classical music.

Although he briefly studied architecture, he played piano in nightclubs, and eventually wrote arrangements for recording dates. In 1956, he met Vinicius de Moraes who had written a play based on the Orpheus legend. When *Black Orpheus* was made into a movie, Jobim wrote the score. Although it was based on the samba, the score had a harmonic richness previously unheard in Brazilian music. Jobim later told writer Gene Lees that he was influenced by Gerry Mulligan and other musicians who were playing what was called 'cool jazz.' The new style was later dubbed 'bossa nova' (or 'new wave'). *Black Orpheus* became very popular, and spread this new music around the world. *Desafinado* (or *Slightly Out of Tune*) was soon recorded by many jazz artists.

By the early 1960s, Jobim's songs were being played and recorded by Herbie Mann and Stan Getz. In 1964, Jobim's new song *The Girl from Ipanema* was recorded by Stan Getz with singer Astrud Gilberto (wife of Joao Gilberto). This single became an international sensation, and Jobim was soon making albums in the United States with arrangements by Nelson Riddle and Claus Ogerman. Other notable Jobim songs include *Wave*, *How Insensitive*, *Quiet Nights*, *Meditation*, and many others. Jobim made ten solo albums, and also recorded with Frank Sinatra and the equally legendary Elis Regina.

Jobim remained active as a writer for the rest of his life, and occasionally toured, most notably in 1984 with his son Paulo playing guitar. He had a full schedule of new projects that he was preparing when, following surgery, he died of heart failure in 1994.

### **The Music:**

This arrangement comes from the 1965 recording session released as *The Wonderful World of Antonio Carlos Jobim*. Riddle's biographer, Peter J. Levinson, said, "The most beautiful album that Nelson ever arranged in his entire career was *The Wonderful World of Antonio Carlos Jobim*, recorded in 1965. It is really the inner workings of the Jobim/Riddle combination - the tenderness and sensuality that predominated throughout this recording - that revealed how much Nelson and 'Tom' Jobim were soulmates.... Nelson used a mixture of flutes, trombones, and strings to perfectly convey the romanticism of the samba. Jobim's Portuguese and heavily accented English vocals and guitar blended seamlessly with Nelson's arrangements."

### **Notes to the Conductor:**

Riddle's instrumentation features 3 flutes, 3 horns in F, and 2 trombones along with violins, cello, guitar, piano, bass, drums, and maracas. He specifies the following string personnel: 6 violin I, 6 violin II, 4 viola, and 4 cello parts. Attempts to duplicate the sound of this arrangement and others from the Riddle/Jobim album will prove challenging even for the most advanced ensembles. We suggest extensive listening to the Jobim albums from this time period as Riddle (and Claus Ogerman) created an individualized sound all his own that is unlike other recordings.

### **Acknowledgments:**

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**Jeffrey Sultanof, Rob DuBoff and Doug DuBoff**

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I take Cosa (1x) *rit* *c* *c* *c* *c*

Vocal

Flute

Flute

Flute

1

Trumpets 2

3

3rd

1

Tromba 2

3

Perc

Drums

Hr

1

Violins A

Violins B

C

2nd

Viola

Cello

Bass

S-19

Nelson Riddle

Here is the first page of Nelson Riddle's original pencil score for *Bonita*, recorded in 1965.





BRIGHT BOSSA NOVA ♩ = 160

Vox. You fly a-way when love is new. What do you ask of me, Bo-ni-ta? What part do you want me to play?

Vln. I *mp* < *mf* > *p*

Vln. II *mp* < *mf* > *p* div.

Vla. *mp* < *mf* > *p*

Vc. *mp* < *mf* > *p*

Hp. G<sup>b</sup> G<sup>♯</sup> G<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> G<sup>♯</sup> A<sup>♯</sup> C<sup>♯</sup> B<sup>♯</sup>

Gtr. A<sub>m</sub>(<sup>ma7</sup>) A<sub>m</sub>7 A<sub>m</sub>6 F/A A<sub>m</sub> D7(<sup>♯9</sup>) D7(<sup>♯9</sup>) G<sub>m</sub> G<sub>m</sub>(<sup>ma7</sup>) G<sub>m</sub>7 G<sub>m</sub>6 G<sub>m</sub>(<sup>ma7</sup>) G<sub>m</sub>7 G<sub>m</sub>6 E<sup>b</sup>/G G<sub>m</sub>7 A7(<sup>♯9</sup>)

Mrcs. *mp*

D. S. Cross-Stick *mp*

7 8 9 10 11 12 13



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Vox. Shall I be the clown for you, Bo - ni - ta? I will be an - y - thing you say, Bo -

Vln. I *mp* *mf*

Vln. II unis. *mp* *mf* div.

Vla. *mf*

Vc. *mf*

Hp. C $\sharp$  D $\flat$  B $\flat$  E $\sharp$  D $\sharp$  B $\sharp$

Gtr. Dm Dm<sup>(ma7)</sup> sim. Dm7 Dm<sup>6</sup> Dm<sup>(ma7)</sup> Dm7 Dm<sup>6</sup> B $\flat$  Dm E7( $\flat$ 9)

D.B. Dm pizz. Dm<sup>(ma7)</sup> Dm7 Dm<sup>6</sup> Dm<sup>(ma7)</sup> Dm7 Dm<sup>6</sup> B $\flat$  Dm E7( $\flat$ 9)

Mrcs. *sim.* (4) (8)

D. S. *sim.* (4) (8)

14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21