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# BRUCE PEARSON

## *Latin Nights*

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## About the Composer



BRUCE PEARSON is a world-renowned music educator, author, composer, and clinician. He is the author of the *Standard of Excellence* Comprehensive Band Method—regarded as the most important contribution to the field in the last three decades—and the groundbreaking *Best In Class* Comprehensive Band Method. His latest contribution, co-authored with Ryan Nowlin, is the *Tradition of Excellence* Comprehensive Band Method. This next-generation performance-centered curriculum sets a new barre by seamlessly blending time-tested and innovative pedagogy with cutting-edge technology.

In addition to his band method books, Dr. Pearson co-authored, with Dean Sorenson, the *Standard of Excellence Jazz Ensemble Method* and the *Standard of Excellence Advanced Jazz Ensemble Method*. He is also well-known as a composer of many widely-performed compositions and arrangements for concert band and jazz ensemble. He has led clinics in all fifty of the United States and has been guest conductor and clinician, by invitation, of countries throughout the Pacific Rim, the Orient, Europe, and the Canadian provinces.

Bruce Pearson has taught at the elementary, junior high, high school, and college levels for over thirty years. Twice nominated for the prestigious **Excellence in Education Award**, he was recognized as “most outstanding in the field of music” for the state of Minnesota. In December, 1998, Dr. Pearson, “in recognition of his outstanding contribution to music education,” was awarded the prestigious **Midwest Clinic International Band and Orchestra Conference Medal of Honor**. In 2001, he was awarded St. Cloud State University’s **Distinguished Service to Music Award** “in appreciation for lifelong contribution to music and music education.” In 2007, Dr. Pearson received St. Cloud State University’s **Distinguished Alumni Award**. That same year he was recognized as the first **Patron for the Maryborough Conference** in Queensland, Australia. The American School Band Directors Association conferred on Dr. Pearson the 2014 **Edwin Franko Goldman Award** “as a symbol of high esteem and respect, and as a measure of appreciation and gratitude for outstanding personal contributions to the school band movement.”

Dr. Pearson continues to serve as a guest lecturer, clinician, and conductor in addition to his work as a composer, arranger, and author.

## About the Composition

Latin music originated from namely Spanish- and Portuguese-speaking countries of the Americas and the Caribbean. Latin music became popular in the U.S. starting in the 1930s and continues to remain popular today.

Latin music has its own unique sound incorporating a wide variety of percussion instruments including maracas, claves, cowbell, guiro, cymbals, and drums.

## Correlation with TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE™

*Latin Nights* correlates with *Tradition of Excellence* Book 1, page 17.

*Latin Nights* was composed to emulate the music of street musicians in a Latin-American city. Street musicians, particularly percussionists, often create and perform their compositions using non-traditional instruments. Some of the more-common non-traditional instruments include every-day items such as trash cans, pails, and washboards.

Students playing *Latin Nights* may want to explore these other sounds using the suggested instruments in the Instrumentation List in this score, or by creating their own. Also note that opportunities are provided for the percussionist to improvise (ad lib.). Often, street musicians were accompanied by dancers. Explore this possibility when performing *Latin Nights*.



# Latin Nights

Full Conductor Score

Approx. performance time—3:00

Bruce Pearson (b. 1942)

American Composer (ASCAP)

**Moderato** (♩ = 104) 5

Flutes 1/2  
Oboe  
B♭ Clarinets 1/2  
E♭ Alto Clarinet  
B♭ Bass Clarinet  
E♭ Alto Saxophones 1/2  
B♭ Tenor Saxophone  
E♭ Baritone Saxophone

**Moderato** (♩ = 104) 5

B♭ Trumpets 1/2  
F Horn  
Bassoon Trombone  
Tuba

**Moderato** (♩ = 104) 5

Maracas  
Claves  
Cowbell  
Guiro  
Suspended Cymbal  
Snare Drum  
Bass Drum  
Advanced Snare Drum  
Bass Drum

**Moderato** (♩ = 104) 5

Rehearsal Piano

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13 14 15 16 17 18

Fls. 1/2 a2

Ob. a2

B♭ Cls. 1/2 a2

E♭ A. Cl. a2

B♭ B. Cl. a2

E♭ A. Saxes 1/2 a2

B♭ T. Sax. a2

E♭ B. Sax. a2

B♭ Tpts. 1/2 a2

F Hn. a2

Bsn. Trb. Bar. a2

Tuba a2

Maracas Claves 2. 14

Cowbell 2. 14

Guiro 2. 14

S. Cym. 2. 14

S.D. B.D. 2. 14

Adv. S.D. B.D. 2. 14

Pno. 2. 14

This musical score page, numbered 7, contains the following parts and measures:

- Fls. 1/2:** Measures 19-23. Includes first and second endings with a *a2* (second octave) marking.
- Ob.:** Measures 19-23.
- B $\flat$  Cls. 1/2:** Measures 19-23. Includes a *a2* marking.
- E $\flat$  A. Cl.:** Measures 19-23.
- B $\flat$  B. Cl.:** Measures 19-23.
- E $\flat$  A. Saxes 1/2:** Measures 19-23. Includes a *a2* marking.
- B $\flat$  T. Sax.:** Measures 19-23.
- E $\flat$  B. Sax.:** Measures 19-23.
- B $\flat$  Tpts. 1/2:** Measures 19-23. Includes a *a2* marking.
- F Hn.:** Measures 19-23.
- Bsn. Trb. Bar.:** Measures 19-23.
- Tuba:** Measures 19-23.
- Maracas Claves:** Measures 19-23.
- Cowbell:** Measures 19-23.
- Guiro:** Measures 19-23.
- S. Cym.:** Measures 19-23.
- S.D. B.D.:** Measures 19-23.
- Adv. S.D. B.D.:** Measures 19-23.
- Pno.:** Measures 19-23. Includes first and second endings.

24 25 26 27 28

Fls. 1/2

Ob.

B $\flat$  Cls. 1/2

E $\flat$  A. Cl.

B $\flat$  B. Cl.

E $\flat$  A. Saxes 1/2

B $\flat$  T. Sax.

E $\flat$  B. Sax.

24

B $\flat$  Tpts. 1/2

F Hn.

Bsn.  
Trb.  
Bar.

Tuba

24

Maracas  
Claves

Cowbell

Guiro

S. Cym.

S.D.  
B.D.

Adv. S.D.  
B.D.

24

Pno.

Detailed description: This page of a musical score covers measures 24 through 28. It is arranged for a large ensemble including woodwinds, brass, percussion, and piano. The woodwind section consists of Flutes (1/2), Oboe, B-flat Clarinets (1/2), E-flat Alto Clarinet, B-flat Bass Clarinet, E-flat Alto Saxophones (1/2), B-flat Tenor Saxophone, and E-flat Bass Saxophone. The brass section includes B-flat Trumpets (1/2), French Horns, Basses (Bassoon, Trombone, Baritone), and Tuba. The percussion section features Maracas/Claves, Cowbell, Guiro, Snare Drum (S. Cym.), and Congas (S.D. B.D. and Adv. S.D. B.D.). The piano part is written for a grand piano. The score is in 4/4 time and features a variety of rhythmic patterns and textures across the instruments.

29 30 31 a2 32 33

Fls. 1/2

Ob.

B $\flat$  Cls. 1/2

E $\flat$  A. Cl.

B $\flat$  B. Cl.

E $\flat$  A. Sax. 1/2

B $\flat$  T. Sax.

E $\flat$  B. Sax.

B $\flat$  Tpts. 1/2

F Hn.

Bsn.  
Trb.  
Bar.

Tuba

Maracas  
Claves

Cowbell

Guiro

S. Cym.

S.D.  
B.D.

Adv. S.D.  
B.D.

Pno.

32

32

32

This musical score page, numbered 10, covers measures 34 through 39. The ensemble includes:

- Flutes (Fls.):** Two parts, 1 and 2, playing chords and melodic lines.
- Oboe (Ob.):** One part, playing a melodic line.
- Clarinets:** B♭ Clarinet (1 and 2) and E♭ Alto Clarinet (A. Cl.).
- Saxophones:** E♭ Alto Saxophone (A. Saxes), B♭ Tenor Saxophone (T. Sax.), and E♭ Bass Saxophone (B. Sax.).
- Trumpets and Horns:** B♭ Trumpets (Tpts.), F Horn (Hn.), Bass Trombone (Bsn. Trb.), Baritone (Bar.), and Tuba.
- Percussion:** Maracas Claves, Cowbell, Guiro, and S. Cym. (Shaker/Cymbal).
- Drum Set:** S.D. B.D. (Snare/Double Bass) and Adv. S.D. B.D. (Advanced Snare/Double Bass).
- Piano (Pno.):** Grand piano accompaniment.

The score features various musical notations including rests, chords, and melodic lines. A large 'SAMPLE' watermark is overlaid diagonally across the page.

40

Fls. 1/2 *f* a2 41 42 43 44 a2 45

Ob. *f*

B $\flat$  Cls. 1/2 *f* a2

E $\flat$  A. Cl. *f*

B $\flat$  B. Cl. *f*

E $\flat$  A. Sax. 1/2 *f* a2

B $\flat$  T. Sax. *f*

E $\flat$  B. Sax. *f*

40

B $\flat$  Tpts. 1/2 *f* a2

F Hn. *f*

Bsn. Trb. Bar. *f*

Tuba *f*

40

Maracas Claves *f*

Cowbell *f*

Guiro *f*

S. Cym. *f*

S.D. B.D. *f*

Adv. S.D. B.D. *f*

40

Pno. *f*

The musical score is arranged in systems. The first system (measures 40-45) includes Flutes (1/2), Oboe, B $\flat$  Clarinets (1/2), E $\flat$  Alto Clarinet, B $\flat$  Bass Clarinet, E $\flat$  Alto Saxophones (1/2), B $\flat$  Tenor Saxophone, and E $\flat$  Bass Saxophone. The second system (measures 40-45) includes B $\flat$  Trumpets (1/2), French Horns, Bassoon/Trumpet/Baritone, and Tuba. The third system (measures 40-45) includes Maracas/Claves, Cowbell, Guiro, Snare/Cymbal, Standard/Big Drum, and Advanced Standard/Big Drum. The fourth system (measures 40-45) includes Piano. A large 'SAMPLE' watermark is oriented diagonally across the page.





56 a2 57 58 59 60

Fls. 1/2 *f*

Ob. *f*

B $\flat$  Cls. 1/2 *f*

E $\flat$  A. Cl. *f*

B $\flat$  B. Cl. *f*

E $\flat$  A. Saxes 1/2 *f*

B $\flat$  T. Sax. *f*

E $\flat$  B. Sax. *f*

56

B $\flat$  Tpts. 1/2 *f*

F Hn. *f*

Bsn. Trb. Bar. *f*

Tuba *f*

56

Maracas Claves *f* Solo (optional ad lib.)

Cowbell *f* Solo (optional ad lib.)

Guiro *f*

S. Cym. *f*

S.D. B.D. *f* Solo (optional ad lib.)

Adv. S.D. B.D. *f* Solo (optional ad lib.)

56

Pno. *f*



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