

God Bless America

Fanfare MM=112

Irving Berlin
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This musical score is for the instrumental fanfare of 'God Bless America' by Irving Berlin, transcribed and arranged by Chris R. Hansen. The tempo is marked as MM=112. The score is written for a full orchestra and a rhythm section, spanning 12 measures. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4.

Instrumentation and Parts:

- Violin 1 & 2:** Play the main melodic line, starting with a forte (*f*) dynamic and transitioning to mezzo-forte (*mf*) in the later measures.
- Viola:** Provides harmonic support, mirroring the string textures.
- Cello & Bass:** Play the bass line, starting with a forte (*f*) dynamic.
- Flute 1, 2:** Enter in the 7th measure with a rapid sixteenth-note melody, marked mezzo-forte (*mf*).
- Clarinet 1, 2:** Similar to the flutes, they enter in the 7th measure with a rapid sixteenth-note melody, marked mezzo-forte (*mf*).
- Oboe:** Provides a melodic counterpoint in the 7th measure.
- Bassoon:** Provides a melodic counterpoint in the 7th measure.
- Bass Clarinet:** Provides a melodic counterpoint in the 7th measure.
- Trumpet 1, 2, 3:** Play a rhythmic accompaniment, starting with a forte (*f*) dynamic.
- Horn:** Provides harmonic support, starting with a forte (*f*) dynamic.
- Trombone 1, 2:** Provides harmonic support, starting with a forte (*f*) dynamic.
- Trombone 3 & Tuba:** Provides harmonic support, starting with a forte (*f*) dynamic.
- Percussion 1:** Plays a rhythmic pattern, marked mezzo-forte (*mf*).
- Percussion 2:** Plays a rhythmic pattern, marked mezzo-forte (*mf*).
- Percussion 3:** Plays a rhythmic pattern, marked mezzo-forte (*mf*).
- Tympani:** Provides a rhythmic accompaniment, marked mezzo-forte (*mf*).
- Harp:** Provides a melodic accompaniment, marked mezzo-forte (*mf*).
- SA (Soprano Alto):** Empty staff.
- TB (Tenor Bass):** Empty staff.
- Rhythm:** Provides a rhythmic accompaniment, marked mezzo-forte (*mf*).

Chord Progression (Rhythm Section):

F/C C B♭/C Asus⁴ Am B♭ F B♭⁹(#11) B♭ Dm⁹/A

Other Markings:

- Chimes:** Indicated in the 7th measure.
- Crash:** Indicated in the 7th measure.
- Sus. Cymbal:** Indicated in the 7th measure.
- Bass Drum:** Indicated in the 7th measure.
- Music for Narration:** Indicated in the 12th measure.

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Violin 1

Violin 2

Viola

Cello

Bass

Flute 1,2 *alto Flute*

Clarinet 1,2

Oboe

Bassoon

Bass Clarinet

Trumpet 1,2,3

Horn

Trombone 1,2

Trombone 3 & Tuba

Percussion 1

Percussion 2

Percussion 3

Tympani

Harp

SA

TB

Rhythm

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Em7(b9)/Bb Gm7 Dm7/A Dm9/A Gm7/Bb C9sus4 C9 Dbmaj9 Ebmaj9

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Slower and Majestic

Violin 1 *f*

Violin 2 *f*

Viola *f*

Cello *f*

Bass *f*

Flute 1,2 *ff* *piccolo* *trww*

Clarinet 1,2 *ff*

Oboe *ff*

Bassoon *ff*

Bass Clarinet *ff*

Trumpet 1,2,3 *ff* *mf*

Horn *ff*

Trombone 1,2 *ff* *mf*

Trombone 3 & Tuba *ff*

Percussion 1

Percussion 2 *ff*

Percussion 3 *ff*

Tympani *ff*

Harp *G scale* *Em7*

SA
God bless A - mer - i - ca, Land that I love; Stand be side her and guide her Thru the night with alight from a

TB

Rhythm
G G/B B^{dim}7 D⁷ D C/E D/F[♯] G F/G G⁷ C Am⁷(b⁹) G Em⁷ A⁷ D⁷

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