



This is our second of two numbers recorded back in March with DC area percussionist (and an early mentor of mine), Steve Bloom. Last month we sent you a tune based on a cumbia groove and today's track, "The Game Plan," is in an Afrobeat style, based on a pattern by one of the founders of the genre, Nigerian set drummer Tony Allen.

In this one you'll hear the tune laid out twice with some call and response between players before we get into ad lib solos from Charlie on trombone, Aurora on alto saxophone and Steve on congas. May it put a little extra bounce in your step this month!

The title is just the first thing that came to my mind but I do like the idea that a dance party with your personal jazz band may actually be The Game Plan.

A'ight y'all! It's JazzFest here in New Orleans, it's springtime and the long, hot summer is coming up fast. We hope you enjoy receiving new music from us every month. We couldn't do it without you. Thanks for your support.

At your service,

Ben Schenck

Panorama Jazz Band

Panorama BRASS Band

New Orleans, LA

Credits:

Panorama Jazz Band featuring Steve Bloom:

Steve Bloom - Congas, Shekere

Ben Schenck - Clarinet

Aurora Nealand - Alto Saxophone

Charlie Halloran – Trombone

Michael Ward-Bergeman - Accordion

Mark Rubin - Tenor Banjo

Matt Perrine - Tuba

Doug Garrison - Drum Set, Timbales

Music by Ben Schenck (Snack Daddy Music/ASCAP), arranged by Ben Schenck, Steve Bloom and Doug Garrison.

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