

# 25. Let's Play Happy Birthday (for Uncle Frank!)

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Medium waltz

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Musical notation for the first system of 'Happy Birthday'. It consists of two staves in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The first staff contains the melody with notes: G4, A4, Bb4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. The second staff contains the bass line with notes: F3, Bb2, C3, D3, E3, F3, G3, A3, Bb3, C4. Chords are indicated above the notes: F, C7, F. Intervallic relationships are labeled below the notes: M2, M2, P4, m2, M3, M2, M2, P5, M2, P4. A second line of notation shows a different bass line with notes: F3, Bb2, C3, D3, E3, F3, G3, A3, Bb3, C4. Chords are indicated above: F7, Bb, (B0), C7, F, C7, F. Intervallic relationships are labeled below: m3, M3, m2, M2, m6, m2, M3, M2, M2.

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Musical notation for the second system of 'Happy Birthday'. It consists of three staves in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The first staff contains the melody with notes: G4, A4, Bb4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. The second staff contains the bass line with notes: F3, Bb2, C3, D3, E3, F3, G3, A3, Bb3, C4. Chords are indicated above: F6, Gm7, F6, Gm7. The third staff contains the melody with notes: G4, A4, Bb4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. The fourth staff contains the bass line with notes: F3, Bb2, C3, D3, E3, F3, G3, A3, Bb3, C4. Chords are indicated above: F6, C7, F6. A fifth staff contains the melody with notes: G4, A4, Bb4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. The sixth staff contains the bass line with notes: F3, Bb2, C3, D3, E3, F3, G3, A3, Bb3, C4. Chords are indicated above: F7, BbMA7(#11), C7, F, C7sus, F6, C7.

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**2A** F6 C7 F6

F7 B<sup>o</sup> F6 C7sus F6 C7

F6 C7 F6

F7 B<sup>b</sup>MA7(#11) B<sup>b</sup>m17 F6 C7sus F6 C7

F6 C7 F6

F7 B<sup>b</sup>MA7(#11) (B<sup>o</sup>) F6 C7sus F6 C7

F6 C7 F6 rit. . . . .

F7 B<sup>b</sup>MA7(#11) (B<sup>o</sup>)

Freely

TR TR TR TR

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F<sup>6</sup> C<sup>7</sup> F<sup>6</sup>

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3 B<sup>b6</sup> C<sup>M17</sup> B<sup>b6</sup> C<sup>M17</sup>

(melody)

B<sup>b6</sup> F<sup>7</sup> B<sup>b6</sup>

B<sup>b7</sup> E<sup>bMA7(#11)</sup> B<sup>b6</sup> F<sup>7sus</sup> B<sup>b6</sup> F<sup>7</sup> B<sup>b6</sup>

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4 D<sup>b6</sup> E<sup>bM17</sup> D<sup>b6</sup> E<sup>bM17</sup>

(melody)

D<sup>b6</sup> A<sup>b7</sup> D<sup>b6</sup>

D<sup>b7</sup> G<sup>bMA7(#11)</sup> D<sup>b6</sup> A<sup>b7sus</sup> D<sup>b6</sup> A<sup>b7</sup>

D<sup>b</sup>