The Very Best of Lionel Richie

For Organ, Piano & Electronic Keyboards

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Hal Leonard
HELLO

Words and Music by LIONEL RICHIE

Slow ballad ($ = 62$)

1. been alone with you inside my mind
2. long to see the sunlight in your hair
   And And
3. Instrumental

in my dreams I've kissed your lips a thousand times
and time again how much I care

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Am  G6  Fmaj7  G6  Fmaj7
sometimes see you pass outside my
door. are you looking for? 1. I can

Am  G6  Fmaj7  A
is it me you're looking for? 2. 'Cause I

Dm  G  C  F
see it in your eyes, I can see it in your smile
wonder where you are and I wonder what you do

Bb  E*  Am  E7/B  Am/C  E7/B
all I've ever wanted and my arms are open wide -
somewhere feeling lonely or is someone loving you?

* Recorded version has G# in bass.
I know just what to say, and you know just what to do.
But I haven't got a clue.

I want to tell you so much; I love you...
Let me start by saying, I love you...

I love you.

rall.
ALL NIGHT LONG (ALL NIGHT)
Words and Music by LIONEL RICHIE

Moderate Caribbean feel (d = about 104)

(Drums) mf

(Synth.)

(Voice)
Da da da

Oh

Guitar — G
(Capo up 1 fret)

Piano — A♭

Well, my friends, the time has come
People dancing, all in the street,
raise the roof and see the rhythm all
G

Ab

Gb

have some fun, in their feet,

Throw away the work to be done,

Life is good, wild, and sweet,

Am str.

Bbm

让音乐尽情演奏吧（尽情演奏吧，尽情演奏吧）。

Ev'rybody sing,

Ev'rybody dance,

Feel it in your heart and feel it in your soul,

Lose yourself in

let the music

G

F

Gb

Ev'rybody sing,

Ev'rybody dance,

Feel it in your heart and feel it in your soul,

Lose yourself in

让音乐尽情演奏吧（尽情演奏吧，尽情演奏吧）。

G

Ab

Gb

We're going to take control,

We're going to participate in carnaval, fiesta, forever.

G

F

Gb

We're going to participate in carnaval, fiesta, forever.

Ev'rybody sing,

Ev'rybody dance,

Feel it in your heart and feel it in your soul,

Lose yourself in

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G

Ab

Gb

We're going to take control,

We're going to participate in carnaval, fiesta, forever.
Come on and sing a long. We're going to party, kara-mu,
fiesta, forever.

Chorus
All night long. (All night) all night. All night long.
1. G

All night long, Oh...

2. G

(All night...) (All night...) Yeah!

N.C.

Once you started you can't sit down.

N.C.

Come join the fun, it's a merry-go-round,
Ev'ry one's dancing their troubles away,
Come join our party, see how we play!

Tom bo li de say de moi ya
Yeah, Jamb-o Jumb-o
Way to parti' o we goin'
Oh, jambalay.

Tombo li de say de moi ya
Yeah, Jambu Jumbo.

Fmaj7  Em7  Fmaj7  Em7  G11
Gmaj7  Fm7  Gmaj7  Fm7  A11

Oh

Fmaj7  Em7
Gmaj7  Fm7  3

Yes We're gonna have a party All night...
long, (All night) all night, All night
Everyone you meet, they're jamming in the street. All night long. (All night...) (All night...)
STUCK ON YOU
Words and Music by LIONEL RICHIE

Moderate Country 4 \( \text{d} = 134 \)

1. Stuck on you — I've got this feelin' down deep in my soul.
2. Stuck on you — Been a fool too long — I guess it's.
guess i'm on my way

that i just can't lose time for me to come on home

guess i'm on my way

need ed a friend
so hard to see

and the way i feel now i guess i'll be with you till the end

that a woman like you could wait around for a man like me

guess i'm on my way

guess i'm on my way

To Coda
Might-y glad you stayed
Might-y glad you stayed

Oh, I'm leaving on that midnight train tomorrow
Dm  Bb  C

- row - And I know just where I'm go-

F  Bb

- - in' - I've packed up my trou-

C  F  F/E  Dm

bles and I've thrown them all away

C  Dm

Cause
this time, little darlin',

I'm com'in' home to stay

ah

I'm mighty glad you stayed

rall.
YOU ARE

Words and Music by LIONEL RICHIE, BRENDA HARVEY-RICHIE

Moderately

Guitar → C  G/C  F/C  C  F/C  G/C  C
(Key capo up 1 fret)
Keyboard → D♭  A♭/D♭  G♭/D♭  D♭  G♭/D♭  A♭/D♭  D♭

Baby you'll find
Tell me it's true
There's only one love
I can't believe you

Yours and mine
do what you do
I've got so much love
I've got so much love

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And needing you so
My we'll

love you
just you and me

m much love
All I want

hold you
Let me show how much I love you

know me
Tell me how to love you
(Show you) 
(Show me) 
baby I don't mind and I don't mind
baby I don't mind and I don't mind

(Loving you) Girl, I love you 
(Tell me) Girl, I love you 
There's no one above you
Always thinking of you

Chorus

You are the sun You are the rain That

makes my life this foolish game You need to know I love you so
And I'd do it all again and again

wo-wo-yea yea yea
I know you know the way I feel
And I need your love for all ways
'Cause when I'm with you I fall in love again and again, baby.
You are the sun  You are the rain
That
makes my life this foolish game
You need to know I love you so
And I'd do it all again and again
Oh
Repeat and fade
hold you in my arms forever more.
You have

Gm7  Am7  D  Bb Maj 7  Am7

gone and made me such a fool, I'm so lost in your

Dsus  D  Gm7  Am7  D7

love. And oh, we belong together,

Bb Maj 7  Am7  Dsus

Won't you believe in my song?
eyes ___ I see no one else but you. There's no other love like

our love. And yes, oh yes, I'll always want you near me,

I've waited for you for so long. Lady,

your love's the only love I need, And beside me
is where I want you to be.

'mCause my love, there's something I want you to know.

You're the love of my life, you're my Lady.
BALLERINA GIRL
Words and Music by LIONEL RICHIE

Medium tempo

F Am G

F Am G

Bal - le - ri - na Girl,

you are so lovely,

you are for always,

the joy you bring me,

With you standing there

I can see in you

every day and night,

G F/C G/C Dm/C C
I'm so aware of how much I care for you.
my dreams come true. Don't you ever go a-
hold-ing you tight. how I've waited for your

You are more than now-day. love.

You make me feel like there's nothing I can't do.
Some-times I've wondered if you'd ever come my way.

And when I hold you,
Dm7  Gsus4  C/G  Dm/G
only want to say I love you

D.S. (2nd ending) al Coda
Tacet
Bal-ler-na Girl

Coda  Fmaj7
Now that I've

Em7  Dm7  F/G  Em/G  F/G
finally found you, this is where my heart will stay

C/G  Dm/G  Em/G  C  F

Woh
(Verse I)

I'm never gonna break your heart.
Never will we drift apart.

'Cause
all I wanna do is share my whole life with you.

'Cause you make me feel like there's nothing I can't do.

I guess I finally realized.

there's nothing else like loving you.
Ballerina Girl,
you are so lovely.

I can see in you my dreams come true. Don't you ever go away.

Cmaj7  F/C  Cmaj7  F  Am  G
way.

Ballerina Girl...
What is happening here? 
Some thing's going on that's not

hot, and that's good.
Some of my friends came by from the

quite clear.
Some body turn on the lights.

neighborhood. 
The people are starting to climb the walls.
We're gonna have a party; it's starting tonight.
It looks like everybody is having a ball.

Oh, what a feeling when we're dancing.
Oh, what a feeling when we're dancing.

when we're dancing on the... The room is
(ceiling)... when we're dancing.
F/C  C(addD)

ing on the ceil ing. Oh. oh. what a feel ing

G/B  F

when we're danc ing on the ceil ing. Oh.

G/B  F

Come on!

what a feel ing when we're danc ing on the ceil ing.

F  C  G

Guitar (actual sound)

F  C  G
Ev'rybody starts to lose control when the music is right.

If you see somebody hangin' around, don't
get up - tight...

The on - ly thing

we want... to do... to - night...

is go

'round and 'round... and turn up - side... down...

Come on, let's get down! (Screams, whistles)
So come on, let's get loose.
Don't hold back, 'cause it ain't no use.
Hard to keep your feet on the ground, 'cause
when we like to party, we only want to get down.

what a feeling when we're dancing on the ceiling.

what a feeling when we're dancing on the ceiling.

what a feeling when we're dancing on the ceiling.
by, when we're dancing on the ceiling.

Oh.

what a feeling when we're dancing on the ceiling.

No chord

(Screams, whistles) (spoken) Say what?

Can't stop

now. Just getting started.
Everybody, clap your hands.

Everybody, let's dance!

Repeat and fade

what a feeling when we're dancing on the ceiling.
PENNY LOVER

Words and Music by LIONEL RICHIE, BRENDA HARVEY-RICHIE

Moderate slow 4 (\( \text{d} = 98 \))

(2 bar percussion omitted)

lightly Penny lover, don't walk on by — Penny lover, don't you

make me cry — Can't you see girl, who my heart's beating for

You're the only girl that I adore —
Ab 4fr.  
Fm  
Bbm 6fr.  
Ab 4fr.  

The first time I saw you
Oh, you looked

Gb  
Ab 4fr.  
Fm  

so fine
And I had a feelin'

Bbm 6fr.  
Ab 4fr.  Gb  
Db/Gb  Gb  

One day you'd be mine
Honey,

Ab 4fr.  
Cm7  
Fm  

you came along and captured my heart
Now my love is somewhere lost in your kiss
When I'm all alone it's you that I miss
Girl, a love like yours is hard to resist
Oh sist
Penny lover, my love's on fire

Penny lover, you're my one desire

Tell me baby, could this be true

That I could need someone like I need you
Nights warm and tender

Oh, lying next to you
Girl, I surrender

what more can I do?

I've spent all of my life in search of your love.
Now there's one more thing I'd like to say,
Don't you ever take your sweet love away.

Girl, I'll do anything, just please stay.
Oh...
I don't understand it. Oh, what's come over me.

But I'm not gonna worry, no not anymore.

'Cause when a man's in love he's only got one story

That's why my
love is somewhere lost in your kiss

and alone it's you that I miss

With a love like yours, it's hard to resist, oh oh

Penny lover, don't walk on by (Don't you walk on._
by____) Penny lover, don't you make me cry (Don't you make me cry ba-

by____) Penny lover, don't walk on by (Don't you walk on by-

by____) Penny lover, don't you make me cry (Oh Penny

by____) Penny lover, don't you walk on by (Don't you walk on by_
I remember the first time I saw you baby  Penny lover, don't you

make me cry— You had that look in your eye, you had that look in your eye, yeah yeah

Ooh pretty baby, I just wanted to reach out and touch you baby, I wanted to reach out hold ya

I wanted to reach out and say ooh ooh
I want to talk about you every day (Penny lover) Need you, just

Don't make me cry need you, baby...
RUNNING WITH THE NIGHT

Words and Music by LIONEL RICHIE, CYNTHIA WEIL

Strong Steady 4 \( \text{♩} = 122 \)

\( \text{Perc.} \)

\( \text{sim.} \)
The heart of the city street was beating

Light from the millions turned the dark to day

We were too hot to think of sleep
We had to get out

before the magic got away

We were running with the night

Playing in the shadows
you and I 'til the morning light

Pianists: Omit vocal melody

(We were running) Oh (running with the

night) You were looking so good girl, heads were turn

You and me on the town...
_ ooh we let it all hang out_

The fire was in us, we were burning

We were gonna go all the way and we never had a doubt

We were running
We were so in love you and me

On the boulevard wild
and free
Giving all we got, we laid

it down
Taking ev'ry shot we took

the town
We were run-

ning with the night
Playing in the shadows
Am

G/A

Just you and I

girl, it was so

F
G/F
F
G/F
F
G/F
F
G/F
F

Pianists: Omit vocal melody till *

right, so right

G/F
F
G
Am
F
G

oh

Am

N.C.

sim.
Ah, just you and I.
ning with the night

Playing in the shadows

Just you and I, Girl, it was so right...

Girl, it was so right...
SAY YOU, SAY ME
Words and Music by LIONEL RICHIE

Slow Ballad
Ab
Fm
Ab/Eb
Cm/Eb
Db
Bbm

Ab
Ab/Eb
Fm
Ab/Eb
Cm/Eb

Say you, say me.
Say it for all ways.
That's the way it should be.
Say you, say me.
Say it together, naturally.

I had a dream. I had an awesome dream; seems the
As we go down life's lonesome highway.

People in the park, playing games in the dark.
Hardest thing to do is to find a friend or two.

And what they played was a masquerade.
That helping hand, someone who understands.

But from be- And when you
hind the walls of doubt,
feel you've lost your way,
you've got

someone there to say, "I'll show you."

Say you, say me.
Say it for always.
That's the

way it should be.
Say you, say me.
Say it together.
D♭  Db/E♭  Ab

So you naturally.

C♭  G♭  Db  Ab

Well, the

think you know the answers. Oh, no.

whole world's got ya dancin', that's right, I'm tellin' you.

It's

C♭  G♭  Db  Ab

time to start believin', oh, yes.

Be -
lieve in who you are; you are a shining star.

er, naturally.

Say it together.

er, naturally.
Moderate Reggae beat

Am7    Bb maj7    Am7    Dm

Am7    Bb maj7    Am7    D

Am7    Bb maj7    Am7    Dm

1. You know, sometimes
(2, 3, 4. See additional lyrics)
der

just how

this world would be

if we

had

all the people laughing

and everybody living in harmony
We have to say, see la,

Talking to the people.

See la, see la... It's time you thought about it.

See la, see la...
Additional Lyrics

2. There would be no more living in desperation,
   And no more hatred and deceit.
   Tell me, can you imagine all the children playing
   And everyone dancing in the street?

   We se la, se la, se la. Do it, say it.
   Se la, se la. Talking to everybody, yeah.
   Se la, se la. You know what it's all about.
   Se la, se la. You play for the people.

3. It’s time, you know, for everyone to come together.
   I know it's hard but this dream must come to light,
   Because life should be one big celebration.
   I’m talkin’ to you now. Only we can make things right.

   We se la, se la, se la. Do it on the good foot.
   Se la, se la.
   Se la, se la. Talk about it, sing about it.
   Se la, se la.

4. All the children, tell me about the children.
   We’ve got to help them now to survive.
   One world, one heart, is our salvation.
   Let us keep the dream alive.

   We se la, se la, se la. Don’t hold back no longer.
   Se la, se la. Can’t you see it, just believe it?
   Se la, se la. Talkin’ to you now.
   Se la, se la. Talkin’ to you now.
TRULY
Words and Music by LIONEL RICHIE

Guitar → C
(Capo up 1 fret)

Keyboard → Db

Girl, Now, I need to tell you

Em/B
Fm/C

Gm6/Bb
A+ m6/C#:

Gm6/A
A+ m6/Bb
Bb7

this
That I have your
heart
love

for
like
al your
ways
And

Dm
Ebm

C+7
D#

Dm/C
Ebm/Db

you,
want me by your
side
live

I’ll give you all the
joy

words “I’ll al ways

C/G
Gb/Ab

G
Ab

Fmaj7
Em7

love
soul

And for
Let me

I will be your
I need to have you

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Fmaj7    Gbmaj7    Fmaj7    Gbmaj7
G7maj7    Fm7    Gbmaj7    Fm7

lover___  And I know if  you______  I will
near me___      And I feel with  you______  This

always___   there___  love will last___  for___
be___      ev___  because I'm___

Dm7    G7    C7    Fmaj7
G7        C7        Fmaj7
Dm7    G7    C7
Ebm7    G    C7

truly___  truly in  I'm truly___

Db(2)  C(2)  C7
Db(2)  C(2)  C7

head o-ver
Heels with your love
I need you

And with your love I'm free
And

Truly,
You know you're all right

With me
MISSING YOU
Words and Music by LIONEL RICHIE

Moderately slow ($\text{\textsl{\textit{d}} = 88}$)

\begin{align*}
\text{Em} & \quad \text{D} \\
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\text{Bm7} & \quad \text{Am7}
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Since you’ve been away, I’ve been down and lonely.

Since you’ve been away, I’ve been thinkin’ of you.

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try'n' to understand the reason you left me.

What were you going through? Ooo ooo, I'm

missing you; Tell me why the road turns.

Ooo ooo, I'm missing you; Tell me why the road turns.
As I look around I see things that remind me. Just to see you smile made my
heart fill with joy. I can still recall all those dreams we shared together;

Where did you run to, boy? Ooo—
Coda

C

D/C

7fr.

Some - times I've won - dered,

I gradually building

Cmaj7

D/C

C

D/C

7fr.

D/D

did - n't un - der - stand,

just where you were try'n' to go;

On - ly

Cmaj7

D/C

Cmaj7

D/C

7fr.

you knew the plan,

And I tried to be there but you

Cmaj7

D/C

C

D/C

C/D

7fr.

would - n't let me in,

But now you've gone a - way, boy,
I feel so broken hearted. I knew the day we started

that we were meant to be if only you'd let me!

I've cried so many tears, gotta face now all my fears.

We let time slip away. I need you, boy, here today!
(Recitation)
There was so much you gave to my heart, to my soul,

There was so much of your dreams
that were never told.

had so much hope for a brighter day.

You, my flower, plucked away?

missing you.

Tell me why the road turns.