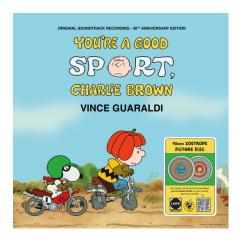


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The 75th Anniversary of Peanuts®
with the Premiere Release of Vince Guaraldi's
Soundtrack to the 1975 Animated Classic,
YOU'RE A GOOD SPORT, CHARLIE BROWN
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The full soundtrack, plus bonus tracks not used in the Peanuts® animated special, and additional bonus cues from LMFP's 1974 film

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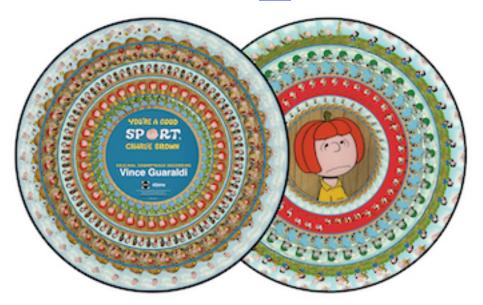
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You're a Good Sport, Charlie Brown (50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Extended Edition) is sure to be another classic album. It joins the beloved and expanding Peanuts® discography, which

includes A Charlie Brown Christmas, the 5x platinum-certified album that Billboard called the "Greatest Holiday Album of All Time,"
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A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving (released 2023),
It Was a Short Summer, Charlie Brown, (released 2024),
You're Not Elected, Charlie Brown (also released 2024)
Be My Valentine, Charlie Brown (released 2025), and
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FIRST PEANUTS® ZOETROPE ALBUM EVER

**Lee Mendelson Film Productions** (LMFP) is thrilled to announce the first-ever release of Vince Guaraldi's complete soundtrack for <u>You're a Good Sport, Charlie Brown</u>, the timeless 14th animated Peanuts® special, from writer and creator Charles Schulz, director Phil Roman, and producers Bill Melendez and Lee Mendelson. Originally airing fifty years ago on October 28th, 1975, on CBS-TV, the special went on to win the Emmy® for Outstanding Children's program. The special is currently available for streaming on Apple TV+.

The full soundtrack album includes the original 16 cues that comprise the score of the special – mixed into 14 tracks – plus a bonus track melding two of the intended opening cues left off the special. Additionally, the album features four bonus tracks from *Bicycles are Beautiful*, a film that Guaraldi scored for LMFP in 1974. Vince Guaraldi composed all 19 tracks on the album.

This is the **first time** Peanuts animation has appeared on a **Zoetrope album**. When the record plays at 45RPM, scenes from the special come to life. The action from the cartoon plays right along with the music on your turntable.

Highlights of the album include the title track, and fresh takes on classics like "Peppermint Patty" and "Linus and Lucy." "Motocross" is the special's central theme, and all its variations from the show can be heard on this album.

The melodies can be fully appreciated on their own, not hidden underneath dialogue or effects from the special.

The album features **Guaraldi** (piano, electric piano, clavinet, ARP String Ensemble, and Rhythm Ace Drum Machine), **Seward McCain** (bass), **Mark Rosengarden** (drums and guiro), and **John Scott Trotter** as the music supervisor. The *Bicycles are Beautiful* bonus material features **Guaraldi** on electric keyboard, **McCain** (bass) and **Glenn Cronkhite** (drums). Both soundtracks were originally recorded at Wally Heider Studio, in San Francisco: *Good Sport* on September 12, 18-19, 1975, and *Bicycles Are Beautiful* on April 2, 1974. The soundtrack was produced by Sean Mendelson and Jason Mendelson; mixed at WonderWorld Studio by Grammy® and Emmy® Award-Winning mixing engineer Clark Germain, and restored and re-mastered by Vinson Hudson (who has mastered all the LMFP releases).

The 28-minute album will be available July 11th, 2025, on 12" 45 RPM Zoetrope Eco Mix LP Picture Disc, and on CD, and digitally. Pre-Order here now

The LPs are eco-minded: The vinyl, as much as is possible, is partially made from Eco Mix, wherein old records are ground up and reused to produce new records. The Eco Mix portions are carbon-neutral and made from 100% recycled vinyl. For more information about our sustainability efforts, please see LMFP's website.

The physical copies include liner notes that give a track-by-track analysis by album producer Sean Mendelson, and notes from album producer, Jason Mendelson, sons of legendary Peanuts® producer Lee Mendelson. Derrick Bang, Guaraldi biographer and author of *Vince Guaraldi at the Piano*, continues the tradition of providing an historical essay for both the special and the soundtrack. Plus, Charles Schulz' son Craig Schulz adds an essay about the special's inspiration. The liner notes (vinyl: 4 page and CD: 12-page booklet) contain images from the special, rare photographs and a Peanuts comic strip.

"I find the score for 1975's "You're a Good Sport, Charlie Brown" to be the most fascinating. The soundtrack is Guaraldi's deepest exploration of synthesized music."

— From the liner notes by **Sean Mendelson**, producer of the album.

# For an extended version of the press release and more information, including the track list, click <u>here.</u>

## **Track Listing (CD/Digital):**

#### Disc 1:

- 1. Motocross
- 2. Peppermint Patty
- 3. You're a Good Sport, Charlie Brown (Centercourt)
- 4. Fanfare / Fanfare (Alternate Take) / Hospital Scene / Hospital Scene (Bonus)
- 5. Bass Blues
- 6. Linus and Lucy
- 7. Motocross (Reprise)
- 8. You're a Good Sport, Charlie Brown (Unused Opening Cues)
- 9. The Great Pumpkin Waltz
- 10. Motocross (2<sup>nd</sup> Reprise)
- 11. Motocross (3<sup>rd</sup> Reprise)
- 12. Motocross (4<sup>th</sup> Reprise)
- 13. Motocross (5<sup>th</sup> Reprise Extended with Additional Piano)
- 14. Lunch Theme / Motocross (6<sup>th</sup> Reprise)
- 15. You're a Good Sport, Charlie Brown (Reprise)
- 16. Bicycles are Beautiful (Reprise)
- 17. Bicycle Ballad (Medley)
- 18. Bicycle Bounce (and Reprise)
- 19. Bicycle Wizard (and Reprise)

### **Track Listing (Zoetrope LP):**

#### Side A:

- A1. Motocross
- A2. Peppermint Patty
- A3. You're a Good Sport, Charlie Brown (Centercourt)
- A4. Fanfare / Fanfare (Alternate Take) / Hospital Scene / Hospital Scene (Bonus)
- A5. Bass Blues
- A6. Linus and Lucy
- A7. Motocross (Reprise)

#### Side B:

- B1. You're a Good Sport, Charlie Brown (Unused Opening Cues)
- B2. The Great Pumpkin Waltz

- B3. Motocross (2<sup>nd</sup> Reprise)
- B4. Motocross (3<sup>rd</sup> Reprise)
- B5. Motocross (4<sup>th</sup> Reprise)
- B6. Motocross (5<sup>th</sup> Reprise Extended with Additional Piano)
- B7. Lunch Theme / Motocross (6<sup>th</sup> Reprise)
- B8. You're a Good Sport, Charlie Brown (Reprise)
- B9. Bicycles are Beautiful (Reprise)
- B10. Bicycle Ballad (Medley)
- B11. Bicycle Bounce (and Reprise)
- B12. Bicycle Wizard (and Reprise)

#### About Peanuts:

The characters of *Peanuts* and related intellectual property are owned by Peanuts Worldwide, which is 41% owned by WildBrain Ltd., 39% owned by Sony Music Entertainment (Japan) Inc., and 20% owned by the family of Charles M. Schulz, who first introduced the world to *Peanuts* in 1950, when the comic strip debuted in seven newspapers. Since then, Charlie Brown, Snoopy and the rest of the *Peanuts* gang have made an indelible mark on popular culture. In addition to enjoying beloved *Peanuts* shows and specials on Apple TV+, fans of all ages celebrate the *Peanuts* brand worldwide through thousands of consumer products, as well as amusement park attractions, cultural events, social media, and comic strips available in all formats, from traditional to digital. In 2018, *Peanuts* partnered with NASA on a multi-year Space Act Agreement designed to inspire a passion for space exploration and STEM among the next generation of students.

#### About Lee Mendelson Film Productions, Inc.:

Lee Mendelson Film Productions (LMFP) is the Publisher of the Vince Guaraldi musical catalog associated with *Peanuts*. LMFP is also the producer of the classic *Peanuts* television specials, including *A Charlie Brown Christmas, It's the Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown*, and *A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving*, along with the Hollywood animation studio Bill Melendez Productions. LMFP also produced over 50 other network Peanuts specials, 12 prime time Garfield specials, 121-program series "Garfield and Friends" and many other film and television animated, documentary and entertainment programs. Founded by the late Lee Mendelson in 1963, Lee Mendelson Film Productions, Inc., has received 11 Emmy Awards (from 45 nominations) and four Peabody Awards, as well as producing projects that have received Grammy and Academy Award nominations.

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