



Available for the First Time Ever Vince Guaraldi's Complete Soundtrack for the 1969 Animated Classic It Was a Short Summer, Charlie Brown Limited Release in Celebration of the Special's 55th Anniversary

The Entire Soundtrack Plus Never-Before-Heard Bonus Tracks Not Used in the *Peanuts*® Animated Special

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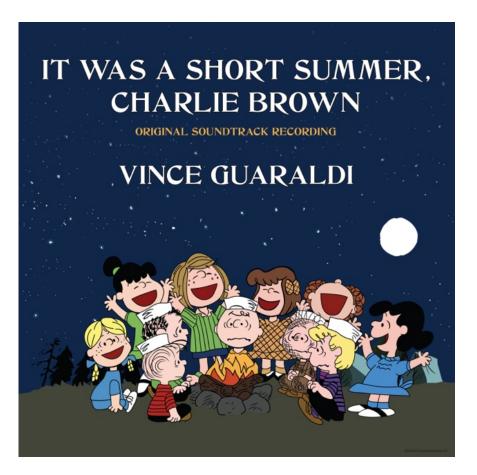
"The soundtrack to It Was a Short Summer, Charlie Brown proves another great addition to this year's field of new soundtracks and hopefully not the last Peanuts soundtrack to come from Lee Mendelson Film Productions."

— <u>Phil's Picks</u>

"Happiness is not just a warm puppy — it's also the music from It Was a Short, Summer, Charlie Brown, from the rolling title tune to the Latin boogie-woogie 'Linus and Lucy." — **The Times (UK)**, 4.5 stars

"This entire score is can't-be-played-often-enough ear candy. It's as fresh and vibrant today — and as swinging — as when it was laid down 55 years ago: yet another captivating display of Guaraldi's compositional genius and keyboard wizardry. Summer never sounded so sweet."

— From the liner notes by Derrick Bang, Author, Vince Guaraldi at the Piano



**Lee Mendelson Film Productions** (LMFP) is thrilled to announce the release of - for the first time ever – the complete **Vince Guaraldi** soundtrack for *It Was a Short Summer, Charlie Brown*, the timeless 6th animated *Peanuts*® special, from writer and creator Charles Schulz,

director Bill Melendez and producers Melendez and Lee Mendelson. Originally airing on September 27, 1969 on CBS-TV, the special is currently available for streaming on Apple TV+.

The album includes the original recordings that comprise the song cues of the special, **plus another six bonus or alternative tracks that have never been released or heard before**.

Guaraldi lovingly created the soundtrack for the summer camp adventure where Charlie Brown and his gang face off against the girls' camp lead by Peppermint Patty. The large jazz combo performances on the album include the best rendition of the Guaraldi classic, "Love Will Come (Nova Bossa)," as well as the first use of an additional percussionist, Victor Feldman.

In addition to the composer's piano playing, the band is comprised of legends who lent their talents to lay down this final Peanuts® special soundtrack of the sixties. The recording features Guaraldi (piano), Monty Budwig (double bass), Jack Sperling (drums), Conti and Pete Candoli (trumpet), Frank Rosolino (trombone), Victor Feldman (percussion), Herb Ellis (guitar), Willian Hood and Peter Christlieb (woodwind), and John Scott Trotter as the orchestra leader. The soundtrack was produced by Sean Mendelson and Jason Mendelson and restored and re-mastered by Vinson Hudson.

The album will be available July 5, 2024 including an exclusive variant in Summer Night Blue 45 RPM LP from *Record Store Day Indie Exclusive*, available at participating stores and for <u>pre-order here</u>

A 12" 45 RPM LP in black, a CD of all 31 tracks, and a complete digital release will also be available.

The physical copies will have liner notes that give a track-by-track analysis by Derrick Bang and notes from Sean Mendelson and Jason Mendelson, sons of *Peanuts®* producer Lee Mendelson and co-producers of the record. The LP liner notes are 4 pages, and the CD liner notes are 8 pages. The release includes images from the special and from the original tape boxes recently re-discovered that led to this release.

Album producers **Jason** and **Sean Mendelson** sat down for a long-form interview with Heath Holland from Cereal at Midnight for a YouTube interview about the wide release of the soundtrack album for <u>"It was a Short Summer, Charlie Brown"</u>

Find participating stores and more information <u>about pre-orders here</u> or pre-order from <u>MVDSHOP</u> here.

The album was available exclusively in Camp Green Vinyl (12", 45 RPM) for participating record stores as part of Record Store Day on April 20, 2024. Find stores and more information at <u>recordstoreday.com</u>

Newly re-discovered in our vaults, the original recording sessions for Vince Guaraldi's beloved soundtrack have been remastered for audiophiles and Peanuts® fans everywhere.

This soundtrack from the 1969 classic also includes Guaraldi hits from the original sources like the swinging brass filled "Charlie Brown Theme," "Linus and Lucy," and "It Was a Short Summer, Charlie Brown." Included are bonus tracks of unused cues, like the never before heard "Bus Blues (Alternate)," "Pebble Beach (Alternate)," and "Masked Marvel (Alternate)" to name a few. This score will get your summer grooving, just as it did the Peanuts® gang 55 years ago.

LP Track Listings (The CD lists them as 1 through 32 in the following order):

A1. CHARLIE BROWN THEME

A2. LINUS AND LUCY

A3. IT WAS A SHORT SUMMER, CHARLIE BROWN

A4. OH, GOOD GRIEF!

A5. YOU'RE IN LOVE, CHARLIE BROWN

A6. SCHROEDER

A7. BUS BLUES / BUS BLUES (REPRISE)

A8. IT WAS A SHORT SUMMER, CHARLIE BROWN (REPRISE)

A9. FRIEDA (WITH THE NATURALLY CURLY HAIR)

A10. OH, GOOD GRIEF! (REPRISE)

A11. COME AND GET IT / HASH / HASH WITH HORN / AM BREAK / TAH DAH

A12. BON VOYAGE

A13. PEPPERMINT PATTY

A14. LOVE WILL COME (NOVA BOSSA)

A15. HE'S YOUR DOG, CHARLIE BROWN

**B1. PEBBLE BEACH** 

**B2. YOU'RE IN LOVE, CHARLIE BROWN (REPRISE)** 

**B3. HE'S YOUR DOG, CHARLIE BROWN (REPRISE)** 

**B4. MASKED MARVEL** 

**B5. AIR MUSIC** 

B6. MASKED MARVEL (REPRISE) / MASKED MARVEL (2ND REPRISE)

B7. YOU'RE IN LOVE, CHARLIE BROWN (2ND REPRISE)

**B8. LINUS AND LUCY (REPRISE)** 

B9. OH, GOOD GRIEF! (2ND REPRISE)

**B10. CHARLIE BROWN THEME (REPRISE)** 

B11. IT WAS A SHORT SUMMER, CHARLIE BROWN (2ND REPRISE)

**BONUS CONTENT** 

**B12. LINUS AND LUCY (ALTERNATE)** 

B13. WORKING ON "IT WAS A SHORT SUMMER, CHARLIE BROWN"

**B14. BUS BLUES (ALTERNATE)** 

**B15. PEBBLE BEACH (ALTERNATE)** 

B16. MASKED MARVEL (ALTERNATE)

B17. LINUS AND LUCY (REPRISE ALTERNATE)

## About Peanuts:

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## 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.

## Vince Guaraldi · *It Was a Short Summer, Charlie Brown* Lee Mendelson Film Productions · Vinyl, CD and Digital Release Date: July 5, 2024. Preorders begin May 1, 2024.

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