

### **WORDS & MUSIC**

Mack Gordon and

Josef Myrow

### ARRANGEMENT

Mark Hale

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## YOU MAKE ME FEEL SO YOUNG as sung by Michigan Jake

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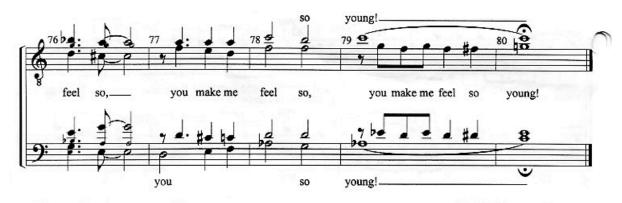












### Performance Notes

You Make Me Feel So Young was first performed by 2001 International Champion Michigan Jake in the 1998 International contest, leading to their silver medal finish. Arranger Mark Hale, who sings lead in the quartet, has done many charts for the group and for his former chorus, Louisville Times. Mark relates that for this song, "I just found the song in one of my songbooks and did the arrangement one night in my apartment." This is an amazing statement considering the quality of this fine arrangement!

Mack Gordon has given us hundreds of exceptional song lyrics including those for Chattanooga Choo Choo, I'm Making Believe, Did You Ever See A Dream Walking?, I Can't Begin To Tell You, The More I See You, Take A Number From One To Ten and You'll Never Know. Josef Myrow has also written many songs including All About Love, Kocomo Indiana, On The Boardwalk In Atlantic City and Always A Lady.

The verse can be performed either in tempo or with a free rubato approach highlighting key words. A free approach would provide contrast with the rest of the song, which (starting at measure 13) can be performed in a smooth and steady, easy swing tempo. Singers and listeners will enjoy the various syncopations and clever twists of the melody and lyrics. The energy builds throughout, conveying the dual themes of syncopated rhythm and whimsical youth. The arrangement culminates in an exciting high tag that expresses the youthful exuberance of this fine song.

As a final note: Questions about the contest suitability of this or any other song/arrangement should be directed to the judging community and measured against current contest rules. Ask before you sing.