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MSM Jazz ComboFest

APRIL 15–24, 2025
WILLIAM R. AND IRENE D. MILLER RECITAL HALL

This year's performance season has been inspired by a unifying theme: *Humanity in Harmony: Rituals, Resistance, and Resilience*. We hope during this election year, the biggest in human history with over half the world's population having the opportunity to vote in 72 countries, that this theme reflects the power of the arts to unite us even in moments of discord and differences. The collective experience of collaboration – creating together – reminds us that even in our differences we can find common ground, stand up to tyranny and oppression, and elevate our work as artists to fulfill the hope and promise of a better tomorrow.

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Selections to be announced from the stage

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

12:30 PM

Dayna Stephens Ensemble

Dayna Stephens, Director

Jonah Hieb, trumpet
Seattle, Washington

Christopher Ferrari, tenor
saxophone
Littleton, Colorado

Christian Holm-Svendsen, tenor
saxophone
Copenhagen, Denmark

Eric Stern, piano
Brooklyn, New York

Steven Bowman, bass
Chicago, Illinois

Magnus Løkken, drums
Stange, Norway

2 PM

Vila do Sol

Rogério Boccato, Director

Yi Shu, voice
Huaihua, China

Shyam Thandullu, flute
Plano, Texas

William Xu, trumpet
Shanghai, China

Giles Underwood, tenor saxophone
Nyack, New York

Shiyu Fang, piano
Fuzhou, China

Chris Ramirez, bass
Vancouver, Washington

Noah Buckner, drums/percussion
New York City, New York

Aki Eppstein, drums/percussion
Dallas, Texas

6 PM

The Music of Sonny Rollins

Mark Soskin, Director

Connor MacLeod, alto saxophone
Plano, Texas

Brandon Suarez, tenor saxophone
Miami, Florida

Sungtaek Choo, piano
Seoul, South Korea

William Mannerland, bass
Herrljunga, Sweden

Mikkel Blaesild Vuust, drums
Aarhus, Denmark

7:30 PM

Lavender Coalition

Matt Holman, Director

Bethany Perkins, voice
Detroit, Michigan

Aaron Ouellette, trumpet
Hebron, Connecticut

Davide Sgarra, clarinet
Varese, Italy

Vito Cakaroglu, trombone
Staten Island, New York

Nathaniel Mesler, vibraphone
Seattle, Washington

Scott Robert, piano
Ridgefield, Connecticut

Emile Berlinerblau, bass
Washington, DC

Zack Long, drums
Sacramento, California

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

3:30 PM

Mary Lou Williams & More

Jaleel Shaw, Director

Kayla Arthur, voice
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Caylie Davis, trumpet
Eugene, Oregon

Nicolo Boselli, alto saxophone
Plano, Texas

Laura Orzechoski, trombone
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Carter Bryan, piano
Guilford, Connecticut

Alexander Tremblay, bass
Providence, Rhode Island

Mingyu Kim, drums
Seoul, South Korea

6 PM

Mark Shim Ensemble

Mark Shim, Director

Jordan Goldman, trumpet
Truckee, California

Coleman Rose, tenor saxophone
Boston, Massachusetts

Atley King, vibraphone
Vancouver, Canada

Lorenzo Wolczko, bass
San Carlos, California

Cameron Fermoyle, drums
Perth, Australia

7:30 PM

Mingus & Monk

Frank Lacy, Director

Mia Menezes, voice
Lisbon, Portugal

Cam Shave, trumpet
Boston, Massachusetts

Antonio Vergara Jr., alto saxophone
Clermont, Florida

Cameron Suber, tenor saxophone
Atlanta, Georgia

William Tucker, trombone
Larchmont, New York

Luke Bacani, vibraphone
New York, New York

William Hill III, piano
Detroit, Michigan

Ethan Fairclough, bass
San Diego, California

Stone Cornelius, drums
Leeds, Massachusetts

THURSDAY, APRIL 17

3 PM

Nicole Glover Ensemble

Nicole Glover, Director

Kal Ferretti, trumpet
New York City, New York

Tess Overmyer, alto saxophone
Newcastle, Australia

Zachary Walgren, bass
Rochester, New York

George Greenhill, drums
Sydney, Australia

4:30 PM

Scott Wendholt Ensemble

Scott Wendholt, Director

Owen Ruszczyk, trumpet

Oak Park, Illinois

Luca Savarino, tenor saxophone

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Brenda Greggio, piano

San Diego, California

Carlos Barreto, bass

Cape Coral, Florida

Evan Furrow, drums

Eugene, Oregon

6:30 PM

Buster Williams Octet

Buster Williams, Director

June Cavlan, voice

Santa Cruz, California

Joie Bianco, voice

Staten Island, New York

Kal Ferretti, trumpet

New York City, New York

Matthew Stark, alto saxophone

Walnut Creek, California

Maxwell Barnes, tenor saxophone

Red Hook, New York

Bruno Tzinas, trombone

Miami, Florida

Alan Bartus, piano

Neusiedl Am See, Austria

Steven Bowman, bass

Chicago, Illinois

Drew Hoschar, drums

Hudson, Ohio

8 PM

Buster Williams 2 Trios

Buster Williams, Director

Jun Hee Park, piano

Seoul, South Korea

Austin Stoddard, piano

St. Louis, Missouri

Emile Berlinerblau, bass

Washington, DC

Chet Carlson, bass

Roseville, Minnesota

Mikkel Blaesild Vuust, drums

Aarhus, Denmark

Henry Mohr, drums

Seattle, Washington

FRIDAY, APRIL 18

12:30 PM

Sam Yahel Ensemble

Sam Yahel, Director

Nathan Palmer, alto saxophone
Menlo Park, California

Johannes Haggmund-Hansen,
guitar
Faaborg, Denmark

Pavlos Daniel Loucaides, piano/B $\bar{3}$
organ
Nicosia, Cyprus

Alexandros Lykothanasis, piano/
B $\bar{3}$ organ
Athens, Greece

Daniel Basilio-Fernández, bass
Somerset, New Jersey

JJ Mazza, drums
Broomfield, Colorado

2 PM

Elio Villafranca Ensemble

Elio Villafranca, Director

Ale Berti, trumpet
Astoria, New York

Ian Weidmann, alto saxophone
Denton, Texas

Andy Peterson, tenor saxophone
Shoreview, Minnesota

Noah Myers, guitar
Buena Park, California

Lifa Arosi, piano
Johannesburg, South Africa

Cookie Stephenson, bass
Dessau, Germany

Adam Wacks, drums
Millburn, New Jersey

6 PM

Jim Saltzman Ensemble

Jim Saltzman, Director

Henry Berberi, alto saxophone
Morris, Minnesota

Simon Comté, tenor saxophone
Brussels, Belgium

João Rosa, vibraphone
Fiães, Portugal

Brahm Sasner, piano
Lafayette, California

Chet Carlson, bass
Roseville, Minnesota

Spencer Towse, drums
Huntington, New York

7:30 PM

Abby, Betty, and Shirley

Marc Cary, Director

Sarahfina Osei, voice

Basel, Switzerland

Daphnis Moglia, trumpet

Paris, France

Yegor Noskov, tenor saxophone

Fairfield, Connecticut

Jonah Ferguson, guitar

Cleveland, Ohio

Dexter Birk, piano

Chicago, Illinois

Shogo Yamagishi, bass

Long Beach, California

Cameron Fermoye, drums

Perth, Australia

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