



MSM Jazz ComboFest

APRIL 21–24, 2025

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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

MONDAY, APRIL 21

12:30 PM

Jaleel Shaw Ensemble

Jaleel Shaw, Director

Duke Baur, tenor saxophone
Winnetka, Illinois

Chase Bautista, trombone
San Jose, California

Miles Oppinger, guitar
Houston, Texas

Carter Bryan, piano
Guilford, Connecticut

Ethan Fairclough, bass
San Diego, California

Oscar Evely, drums
Pinantan Lake, Canada

2 PM

Sherisse Rogers Nonet

Sherisse Rogers, Director

Grace Fox, trumpet
Cherry Hill, New Jersey

Nathan Palmer, alto saxophone
Menlo Park, California

David Hodgson-Kugyelka, tenor
saxophone
Vancouver, Canada

Duke Baur, baritone saxophone
Winnetka, Illinois

Theodore Stone, trombone
Houston, Texas

Scott Robert, piano
Ridgefield, Connecticut

Saul Ojeda, bass
Mexico City, Mexico

Ryder Magtaas-Edwards, drums
Los Angeles, California

3:30 PM

Kendrick Scott Ensemble

Kendrick Scott, Director

Olivier van Niekerk, guitar

Amsterdam, Netherlands

Miles Mindlin, guitar

London, England

Saul Ojeda, bass

Mexico City, Mexico

Kabelo Mokhatla, drums

Kempton Park, South Africa

6 PM

Phil Markowitz Ensemble

Phil Markowitz, Director

Carter Eng, trumpet

Seattle, Washington

Cameron Sewell-Snyder, alto

saxophone

Redding, California

Aidan O'Connor, tenor saxophone

River Edge, New Jersey

Eric Zolan, guitar

Fairfield, Connecticut

Alexandros Lykothanasis, piano

Athens, Greece

Zachary Walgren, bass

Rochester, New York

Guojun Yu, drums

Shanghai, China

7:30 PM

The Music of Stevie Wonder

Michael Olatuja, Director

Randi Anderson, voice

Boise, Idaho

Liam Ryan, voice

Weston, Florida

Marley Howard, voice

Manchester, Connecticut

Cam Shave, trumpet

Boston, Massachusetts

Giovanni Martinez, trumpet

Jacksonville, Florida

Shyam Thandullu, woodwinds

Plano, Texas

Simon Nyivana, alto saxophone

Thembisa, South Africa

Zachary Andrews, trombone

St. Louis, Missouri

Jacob McGibbon, guitar

Caledon, Canada

Austin Stoddard, piano

St. Louis, Missouri

Daniel Basilio-Fernández, bass

Somerset, New Jersey

Noah Buckner, drums

New York City, New York

TUESDAY, APRIL 22

12:30 PM

Harvie S Ensemble

Harvie S, Director

Liam Ryan, voice

Weston, Florida

William Xu, trumpet

Sshanghai, China

Simon Nyivana, alto saxophone

Thembisa, South Africa

David Hodgson-Kugyelka,

tenor saxophone

Vancouver, Canada

Wilson Woods, piano

Boise, Idaho

William Mannerland, bass

Herrljunga, Sweden

Ido Sussman, drums

Jerusalem, Israel

2 PM

The Music of Hermeto Pascoal

Rogério Boccato, Director

Mia Menezes, voice

Lisbon, Portugal

Aaron Ouellette, trumpet

Hebron, Connecticut

Peter Hoss, tenor saxophone

Greenlawn, New York

William Tucker, trombone

Larchmont, New York

Leo Steinriede, guitar

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

William Hill III, piano

Detroit, Michigan

Julian Wittich, bass

Taipei, Taiwan

Guojun Yu, drums/percussion

Shanghai, China

Ido Sussman, drums/percussion

Jerusalem, Israel

3:30 PM

Kenny Wessel Ensemble

Kenny Wessel, Director

Yifan Yue, voice

Shenzhen, China

Jordan McAllister, alto saxophone

Miami, Florida

Lawson Gardner, trombone

Asheville, North Carolina

João Rosa, vibraphone

Fiães, Portugal

Gerard Pola Pastor, piano

Sabadell, Spain

6 PM

John Benitez Ensemble

John Benitez, Director

Marley Howard, voice

Manchester, Connecticut

Giovanni Martinez, trumpet

Jacksonville, Florida

Seth Sandoval, alto saxophone

San Antonio, Texas

Zachary Andrews, trombone

St. Louis, Missouri

Astrid Krallisch, piano

Toronto, Canada

Seungmin Jung, bass

Seoul, South Korea

Aki Eppstein, drums

Dallas, Texas

7:30 PM

The Music of Bud Powell

Jamie Baum, Director

Giovanni Martinez, trumpet

Jacksonville, Florida

Sam Korn, alto saxophone

New Orleans, Louisiana

Theodore Stone, trombone

Houston, Texas

Jacob McGibbon, guitar

Caledon, Canada

Jack Ta, piano

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Carlos Barreto, bass

Cape Coral, Florida

Joseph Mintz, drums

Los Angeles, California

THURSDAY, APRIL 24 (MYERS HALL)

4 PM

Jeremy Manasia Ensemble

Jeremy Manasia, Director

Yi Shu, voice

Huaibua, China

Jacqueline Lee, violin

Montclair, New Jersey

Yeji Jung, piano

Anyang, South Korea

Seungmin Jung, bass

Seoul, South Korea

Gerard Pola Pastor, drums

Sabadell, Spain

5:15PM

Patricia Brennan Ensemble

Patricia Brennan, Director

Jackson Hanks, vibraphone

Hoover, Alabama

Evan Taylor, guitar

Cincinnati, Ohio

Albert Waidtlow, guitar

Copenhagen, Denmark

Shogo Yamagishi, bass

Long Beach, California

Matthew Fu, drums

Houston, Texas

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