JAZZ ENSEMBLES 2021-2022

IMPORTANT INFO (PLEASE READ THIS!): Rehearsals start this Monday, Sept 13. If you are unable to make the first rehearsal but are otherwise able to participate in the ensemble, please let us know right away as your ensemble assignment will not be guaranteed otherwise. If you are unable to participate in the ensemble you were placed in due to an unanticipated schedule conflict, please let us know right away at wallmann@wisc.edu so that the ensemble chair can be filled by another student.

REGISTRATION: At the first rehearsal, you will receive an authorization code with which to register for the correct 1-credit section of MUS 262 Jazz Ensemble (undergrads) or MUS 562 Jazz Ensemble (grads).

UW Jazz Orchestra
MUSIC 262-096 (undergrad) / MUSIC 562-096 (grad)
Mon & Wed, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm; Room 1321
Johannes Wallmann, Director

Saxophones
Ben Stoffel-Murray, alto
John Krueger, alto
Jared Reiss-Lavoie, tenor
Samantha Meiller, tenor
Zach Ramirez, baritone

Trumpets
Nathaniel Schmidt
Daniel Hintzman
Jacob Hogan

Trombones
Travis Cooke
Nathan Labiosa
Michael Trotier
Zachary Bethel

Rhythm Section
McGregor Farah, guitar
Jack Johnson, piano
Alex Feucht, bass
Abe Stoffel-Murray, drums
Jazz Composers Group  
MUSIC 262-050 (undergrad) / MUSIC 562-050 (grad)  
Tue 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm; Room 1321  
Les Thimmig, Director

Trumpet: Noah Joque  
Trombone: Greg Scheer  
Piano: Mark Goodden  
Bass: Charlie Palm  
Drums: Ian Kenney

Contemporary Jazz Ensemble  
MUSIC 262-196 (undergrad) / MUSIC 562-196 (grad)  
Tue 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm; Room 1321  
Arun Luthra / Johannes Wallmann, Directors

Tenor saxophone: Bennett Leclaire  
Guitar: Michael Wolfe  
Vibraphone: Ben Yats  
Bass: Aden Stier  
Drums: Henry Ptacek

Blue Note Ensemble  
MUSIC 262-064 (undergrad) / MUSIC 562-064 (grad)  
Wed 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm; Room 1321  
Chad McCullough, Director

Trumpet: Charlie Palm  
Alto saxophone: George Davis  
Trombone: Khalil Droubi  
Guitar: Brendan Mortensen  
Bass: Andy Jones  
Drums: Ian Kenney

Jazz Standards Ensemble  
MUSIC 262-066 (undergrad) / MUSIC 562-066 (grad)  
Thu 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm; Room 1321  
Peter Dominguez, Director

Trombone: Kaden Buck  
Guitar, vocals: Jake Kruse  
Piano: Lance Letellier  
Bass: Peter Dominguez  
Drums: Nathan Heywood
Afro-Cuban Jazz Ensemble
MUSIC 262-101 (undergrad) / MUSIC 562-101 (grad)
Thu 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm; Room 1321
Nick Moran, Director

Trumpet: Noah Joque
Tenor sax: Zach Ramirez
Trombone: Zachary Bethel
Tres: Jake Kruse
Bass: Nathan Pedraza
Drums / perc: Abe Stoffel-Murray
Drums / perc: Henry Ptacek
Drums / perc: Ian Kenney

NOT ON THE LIST?

If you did not place in an ensemble and are looking for other ways to continue to be involved in music ensembles at UW, consider these opportunities:

Audition-free ensembles:

University Band offers the non-music major an opportunity to enjoy creating music with limited performance demands. The goal is maximum enjoyment with a minimal time commitment. Auditions are not required and instruments are available if needed. The enthusiastic members of these bands perform challenging literature while taking a brief break from their major disciplines. MUSIC 43; 1 credit. Three sections (bands) that each meet once a week on T, W or R 7-9:30pm. The All-University String Orchestras are open to all interested string players. No audition is required, seating order is voluntary, and there is no ranking within the sections. The Chamber Music Program is open to all orchestra members, with coaching by School of Music string majors. The AUS program endeavors to be a true learning community, serving students from virtually every department and major with the goal of nurturing lifelong engagement in music and the arts. MUSIC PERFORMANCE 60; 1 credit. Two orchestras that meet once a week on M 6:30-8 pm or M 8:15-9:45 pm.

Also see “Non-degree offerings” on the School of Music website at https://music.wisc.edu/areas-of-study/ for a listing of music courses regularly offered for non-music majors.

Community Jazz Jams:

New Breed Jazz Jam – Tuesday evenings, 9 pm at Robinia Courtyard, a few blocks East of the Capitol. During Dane County Covid restrictions, the jam has been outdoors only with no indoor rain-venue. Check weather and schedule updates at https://www.facebook.com/TheNewBreedJazzJam

Madison Jazz Jam – Twice-monthly jazz jam in South Madison. On hiatus this month due to Dane County Covid restrictions, but look for them to start up again in October. http://madisonjazzjam.org/