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UARK JAZZ FESTIVAL 2023

April 13-15

UArk Black Box Theatre Faulkner Performing Arts Center Thaden School

Presented by the Arkansas Center for Black Music, the UArkMusic Jazz Program, and the Northwest Arkansas Jazz Society

Festival Committee: Rick Salonen, Susumu Watanabe, Jake Hertzog

SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

EPLEY BAND BUILDING 123

9:30am, Jazz Clinic with Guest Artist Michael Wolff

UA BLACK BOX THEATRE

4:00pm "On That Note" A Life in Jazz: Michael Wolff Lecture

and Interview with Jake Hertzog

5:00pm UArk Voices Ensemble

7:30pm UArk Latin American Ensemble

9:30pm UArk Jam Session, OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

FAULKNER PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

3:30pm UArk World Music Ensemble

4:15pm UArk Intermediate Jazz Combo

5:00pm Farmington High School

5:45pm Bentonville High School

6:30pm Prairie Grove High School

7:30pm UArk Jazz Faculty Ensemble featuring Michael Wolff

and the UArk Festival Jazz Orchestra

SATURDAY, APRIL 15

THADEN SCHOOL AUDITORIUM (BENTONVILLE)

10:00am Arkansas Arts Academy

10:45am Local Jazz Artist: TBA

11:30am Washington Junior High School

1:45am Gravette High School

12:15pm Bentonville West High School

1:00pm Northwest Arkansas Community College

2:30pm Fayetteville High School

3:15pm Claudia Burson Trio

4:00pm UArk Advanced Jazz Combo

5:00pm Don Tyson School of Innovation

5:45pm Rogers High School

7:30pm UArk Jazz Orchestra featuring Michael Wolff

GUEST ARTIST MICHAEL WOLFF

Pianist and composer MICHAEL WOLFF made his recording debut with Cal Tjader in the mid 70s and went on to play and record with Airto and Flora Purim, Cannonball Adderly, SonnyRollins, The Thad Jones/Mel Lewis Orchestra, and Nancy Wilson. He has performed with and conducted over 25 symphony orchestras worldwide. For five years in the 90s Michael was band leader and musical director of the Arsenio Hall television show



Michael Wolff has released twenty-one recordings to critical and popular acclaim. His album, JUMPSTART, with Christian McBride and Tony Williams, won the GOLD DISK AWARD in Japan. In 2012 Wolff formed a new band, Wolff & Clark Expedition, with drummer Mike Clark. Their first album, Wolff & Clark Expedition, was released in February 2013 on Random Act Records, and quickly

rose to the top of the Jazz Charts. Their second album, Wolff & Clark Expedition 2, rose to the top five in the jazz charts and remained there for over three months.

Michael is also performing now with his new trio featuring Ben Allison on bass and Alan Mednard on drums. As a Yamaha/Bosendorfer artist, Michael has been recording and performing in conjunction with jazz radio station WBGO at the Yamaha Piano Salon in New York City, where his new trio recorded their first trio recording live. That album, Swirl, was released January 2019 on Sunnyside Records and went to number 1 at JAZZ RADIO. Their second album, Bounce, was released in 2020 and went to number 5.

Wolff is currently an adjunct professor in the Music Department at New York University. Michael Wolff has composed the scores to many film and television projects, such as Made Up, The Tic Code, Dark Angel, Who's the Man, and The Naked Brothers Band. Most recently Michael wrote the score for the new Polly Draper film, Stella's Last Weekend. He has also written a concerto for jazz piano trio and string quartet titled, PANDEMIA. Michael's memoir, ON THAT NOTE, a memoir of JAZZ, TICS, and SURVIVAL, is now a bestseller on amazon.com.

PROGRAMS

UARK VOICES ENSEMBLE

Lauren N. Clare, director Claudia Burson, piano

Improvisation

composed by the entire VOICES ensemble in the present moment

I Could Write a Book

Lorenz Hart and Richard Rodgers arr. Darmon Meader featuring the UArk Jazz Orchestra, directed by Dr. Rick Salonen

The Nearness of You

Hoagy Carmichael arr. Jared Graveley

Autumn

Tema Siegel and Eric Tarlin Kalista Brown, vocals

Mona Lisa

Ray Evans and Jay Livingston Jeffrey Kerst, vocals

Fever

Eddie Cooley and Otis Blackwell Evan Goforth, vocals and electric guitar

Embraceable You

George Gershwin and Ira Gershwin arr. Kirby Shaw

Both Sides, Now

Joni Mitchell Clayton Davis, vocals

You'll Have to Swing (Mr. Paganini)

Duke Ellington Zoie Benton, vocals Marco Wimer, upright bass Alexander Wiegel, drums

Georgia on My Mind

Hoagy Carmichael and Stuart Gorrell David Gilzene, vocals

Visions

Stevie Wonder arr. Cécile McLorin Salvant Sonya Faulknor, vocals

Sing, Sing, Sing

Louis Prima arr. Darmon Meader Marco Wimer, upright bass Alexander Wiegel, drums

PERSONNEL

Sonya Faulknor, Zoie Benton, Kalista Brown, Clayton Davis, Jeffrey Kerst, Evan Goforth, David Gilzene

UARK LATIN AMERICAN ENSEMBLE

Fernando Valencia, director

Fresa Y Chocolate

Rebecca Mauleón arr. Fernando Valencia

Junio 73

Willie Colón arr. Valencia

La Quiero a Morir

Francis Cabrel vers. DLG arr. Jorge Rosario

Tu Vida En La Mía

Erika Ender arr. Valencia

In Flight

Eddie Palmieri arr. Valencia

Morning Breeze

Juan Santos-Sierra

Afro-Blue

Mongo Santamaría arr. Valencia

Violet Fragrance

Yung Sang arr. Joon Park

Es Mentiroso

Rodolfo Barreras arr. Valencia

Fiesta de Negritos

Luis Bermudez arr. Valencia

PERSONNEL

Flute: Kate Wolchok

Soprano Sax: Max Morrow Tenor Sax: Dylan Engholm Trombone 1: Evan Wood Trombone 2: Jake Sasser

Piano: Dylan Brown

Guitar: Cole Birmingham

Bass: Beck O'Neill

Claves/Guiro: Susan Shelton Paila/Bongó/lyá: Juan Santos

Tumbadoras/Tambora/Ocóncolo: Jaxon Krueger Bongó/Paila/Platillos/Itótele: Christopher Perea

Vocal/Coro: Kerlin Balza Boniche

Vocal/Coro: Alvaro Medina

UARK INTERMEDIATE JAZZ COMBO

Dr. Susumu Watanabe, director

Gregory Is Here

Horace Silver

All The Things You Are

Jerome Kern

Question & Answer

Pat Metheny

Midnight Blue

Kenny Burrell

Palladium

Wayne Shorter

Maiden Voyage

Herbie Hancock

PERSONNEL

Tenor Sax: Dylan Engholm Guitar: Hunter Anderson Bass: Kyle Telgemeier Drums: William Sulliban

UARK JAZZ FACULTY featuring Michael Wolff

selections called from stage

PERSONNEL

Piano: Michael Wolff Guitar: Jake Hertzog Bass: Garrett Jones Drums: Anthony Ball

Saxophone: Rick Salonen Trumpet: Susumu Watanabe

Flute: Nikola Radan

Percussion: Fernando Valencia

INTERMISSION

UARK FESTIVAL JAZZ ORCHESTRA

Dr. Susumu Watanabe, director

H. A. S. '02

Susumu Watanabe

All Or Nothing At All

Author Altman arr. Watanabe

Dawn in Blue

Watanabe

The Attempt

Jake Hertzog arr. Watanabe

With All Sails Set

Watanabe

PERSONNEL

Flute: Nikola Radan

Saxophone: Michael Hanne, Rick Salonen, Cas Harvey,

Dylan Metheny, Nathan Mertens

Trumpet: Armando Gutierrez, Cameron Summers, Richard Rulli,

Megan Park, Bradly Mathews

Trombone: Cory Mixdorf, Tyler Weaver, Gerald Sloan, Paul Johnston

Guitar: Jake Hertzog Piano: Joon Park Bass: Garret Jones Drums: Chris Peters

UARK ADVANCED JAZZ COMBO

Dr. Rick Salonen, director

Lady Bird

Tadd Dameron

Oye Como Va

Tito Puente

Speak No Evil

Wayne Shorter

Stella By Starlight

Victor Young

Somethin' Turns Out To Be Nothing

Eli Dranow

Maiden Voyage

Herbie Hancock

PERSONNEL

Trombone: Evan Wood Tenor Sax: Lucas Durnhofer

Piano: Eli Dranow Bass: Marco Wimer Guitar: Dylan Wenino Drums: Sawyer Myane

UARK JAZZ ORCHESTRA

Dr. Rick Salonen, director

Magic Flea

Sammy Nestico

Soloists: Dylan Engholm / Eli Dranow

The Name's Bond...James Bond

David Arnold

arr. Alex Wiegel

Soloist: Dylan Engholm

Theme

Alex Wiegel

Soloist: Max Morrow

I Could Write a Book

Rodgers & Hart

arr. Darmon Meader

Soloists: Voices Ensemble / Zac Springer

L.O.V.E.

Kaempfert & Gabler

Soloists: De'Von L. Smith / Kyra Brockhausen

The Lady Is A Tramp

Rodgers & Hart Soloist: De'Von L. Smith

Not For Now

corto alto

arr. R. Salonen

Soloists: D. Smith / Evan Wood / Cody Lucas

Tank

Yoko Kanno

arr. Eric Dannewitz

Soloist: Max Morrow

Impressions

John Coltrane

arr. Mark Taylor

Soloists: Jaden Evans / Nathan Leder

Mira, Mira

arr. Alex Wiegel

Jaden Evans / Nathan Leder

Shofukan

Snarky Puppy

arr. Salonen

Soloists: Evan Wood / Coyd Lycas

Pea Shooter

Jeff Lopez

Soloists: Lucas Durnhofer / Alex Wiegel

Spring Can Really Hang You Up the Most

Wolf & Landesman

arr. Frank Mantooth

Soloist: Doug Harnish

Mars

Gustav Mahler

arr. Salonen

Soloists: Derek Salonen / Eli Dranow

PERSONNEL

Vocals: De'Von L. Smith

Flute: Emmi Miller

Alto Sax: Max Morrow Alto Sax: Nathan Leder Tenor Sax: Dylan Engholm Tenor Sax: Lucas Durnhofer Bari Sax: Derek Salonen Trumpet: Kyra Brockhausen

Trumpet: Gavin Amos
Trumpet: Erika Borgeson
Trumpet: Zac Springer
Trumpet: Jaden Evans
Trombone: Doug Harnish
Trombone: Evan Wood
Trombone: Daniel Bartley
Trombone: Jake Sasser
Guitar: Cody Lucas
Guitar: Dylan Wenino
Bass: Marco Wimer

Percussion: Christopher Perea-Aguilar

Percussion: Jaxon Krueger

Drums: Alex Wiegel

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