



University of North Texas College of Music

Ensemble Concert | Friday, November 15, 2024 | 5:30 p.m.
Paul Voertman Concert Hall

Vocal Jazz Extravaganza

West End | 5:30 p.m.

- Just One of Those Things Cole Porter
arr. Andrew Evangelista
- Take the Long Way Home Rosana Eckert
- Down St. Thomas Way Music by Sonny Rollins
Lyrics by Herbert Wasserman, Ray Passman
arr. Dave Cazier
adap. Jennifer Barnes
- Witch Hunt Wayne Shorter
arr. Alice Hu, Luke Lawless, Owen Troy, Simon von Hatten
- What Is This Thing Called Love? Cole Porter
arr. Monica Pabelonio
- Don't Be on the Outside Mayme Watts, Sid Wyche, George Kelly
arr. Parker Haley

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Third Street | 6:15 p.m.

- Haven't We Met Ruth Batchelor, Kenny Rankin
arr. Rosana Eckert
- Dancing In the Dark Arthur Schwartz, Howard Dietz
arr. Kerry Marsh
- Swinging Shepherd Blues Moe Koffman, Rhoda Roberts, Kenny Jacobson
arr. Bill Holman
adap. Ricardo Arana
- King Tut's Strut Hotep Idris Galeta
- You Leave Me Breathless Frederick Hollander, Ralph Freed
arr. Dave Cavanaugh
adap. Lily Alter
- Love Walked In George Gershwin, Ira Gershwin
arr. Steve Zegree
- Whenever I'm With You Hannah Goodwin

Avenue C | 7:00 p.m.

- Come Rain or Come Shine Harold Arlen, Johnny Mercer
arr. Gene Puerling
- Forever Blue Peter Eldridge
arr. Rosana Eckert
- Basically Blues Phil Wilson, Les Harris Jr.
arr. Sharon Bradley
- Stablemates Benny Golson
- Home With You Shelly Berg, Lorraine Feather
arr. Jennifer Barnes
- Stella by Starlight Victor Young, Ned Washington
arr. Rochelle Rice
adap. Lindsay Day
- Sesame Street Bruce Hart, Joe Raposo, Jon Stone
arr. Gene Puerling

Jazz Singers | 8:00 p.m.

Program to be selected from the following

Beautiful Love.....Egbert Van Alstyne (1878–1951), Wayne King (1901–1985),
(1931) Victor Young (1899–1956), Haven Gillespie (1888–1975)
arr. Elijah Thiessen

Daahoud Clifford Brown
(1955) (1930–1956)
arr. Paris Rutherford

Dream Alyssa Allgood
(2023) (b. 1992)
arr. Liz Townsend

Firm Roots.....Cedar Walton
(1974) (1934–2013)

Here's That Rainy Day Johnny Burke (1908–1964),
(1953) Jimmy Van Heusen (1913–1990)
arr. Joshua Cossette

I've Got You Rosana Eckert
(2024) (b.1974)

Killing Me Softly..... N. Gimbel (1927–2018), Charles Fox (b. 1940)
(1973) arr. Gene Puerling

Lot of Livin' to DoCharles Strouse (b.1928), Lee Adams (b.1924)
(1959) arr. Jennifer Barnes

Poor MoonKatelyn Robinson
(2024) (b. 2001)

Spain Chick Corea (1941–2021), Al Jarreau (1940–2017)
(1971) arr. Kelly Kunz

There Is No Greater Love Isham Jones (1894–1956),
(1936) Marty Symes (1904–1953)
arr. Jennifer Barnes

Wish You Were MineKarrin Allyson
(2018) (b. 1963)
arr. Jennifer Barnes

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West End Personnel

*Zoÿ Achtermann, voice Atascocita, TX
*Avery Beck, voice..... Mundelein, IL
Alice Hu, bassThe Woodlands, TX
*Luke Lawless, piano..... Roanoke, TX
Abigail Lewis, voice Pflugerville, TX
Dominic McGrath, voice..... San Antonio, TX
Amani Morrow, voice Cypress, TX
Alanna Reed, voice..... Flower Mound, TX
Alara Robinson, voice Fort Worth, TX
Owen Troy, guitar..... College Station, TX
Simon von Hatten, drum set.....Longmont, CO
*Maddie White, voiceRound Rock, TX

* Section Leader

Third Street Personnel

Benjamin Broussard, guitar.....Tyler, TX
*Taylor Calhoun-Blackmon, voice..... Arlington, TX
Scarlet Carus, voice.....Weatherford, TX
Roxanne Dalmeida, voice Abidjan, Ivory Coast
Mauricio Lara, voice..... Los Angeles, CA
Michael Lathrop, bass Omaha, Nebraska
Brooklyn LaValley, voice Austin, TX
Sebastian Lucumi, piano San Antonio, TX
*Elijah Marrewa, drum setSan Diego, CA
Chris Masters, voice Cedar Park, TX
Kade Miller, voice McKinney, TX
Cailyn Milner, voiceEl Paso, TX
Jae Park, voice..... Jakarta, Indonesia
Juan Rangel, voice..... Brownsville, TX
*Reece Robinson, voice..... Richardson, TX
Jamie West, voice..... Arlington, TX
Ava Zhao, voice.....Beijing, China

* Section Leader

Avenue C Personnel

*Lucas Alyea, voice Edmonds, WA
*Marisa Cravero, voice Des Moines, IA
Sloane Dyer, voice Chicago, IL
Delia Esparza, voice Tioga, TX
Samuel Hedgpeth, keyboards Denver, CO
*Vignesh Iyer, guitar Mumbai, India
Deyana Janae, voice Hurst, TX
Gabe King, voice Des Moines, IA
Ryan Klement, voice Austin, TX
Ava Ramsey, voice Greenville, SC
Marco Salazar, bass Bastrop, TX
Jaden Tabor, voice Iowa City, IA
Naomi Warren, voice Salem, OR
Justin Woods, voice Fort Worth, TX
Ian Yoo, drum set Bloomington, IN

* Section Leader

Jazz Singers Personnel

Lily Alter, alto Oak Park, IL
Georgia Barge, soprano Kansas City, MO
Luke Bielfeldt, baritone Brookings, SD
* Joshua Cossette, keyboards Fort Lauderdale, FL
Sasha Garcia, soprano Dallas, TX
Reagan Garza, tenor Harlingen, TX
Jack Goode, guitar Shelton, CT
Hannah Goodwin, alto Coeur d'Alene, ID
* Parker Haley, baritone St. Louis, MO
Elijah Marrewa, percussion San Diego, CA
Margaret Nicholson, alto Denton, TX
Katelyn Robinson, alto Los Angeles, CA
Michael Rodenkirch, drum set Portland, OR
Dan Shimon, baritone Rockford, IL
Sarah Short, bass Ketchikan, AK
Elijah Thiessen, tenor Marshalltown, IA
+ Liz Townsend, alto Syracuse, NY
Shelby Yount, soprano Martinsville, IN
Fusen Zhang, tenor Shanghai, China

+ Graduate Assistant

* Section Leader

Biographies

The University of North Texas Jazz Singers is the premier vocal jazz ensemble within the Division of Jazz Studies in the College of Music. Under the direction of Jennifer Barnes, Jazz Singers consists of fourteen vocalists and a four-piece rhythm section who perform a challenging and varied repertoire of jazz and jazz-influenced cutting-edge repertoire, notably featuring compositions and arrangements by current students, alumni, and UNT faculty. They have performed at state, national, and international music conferences including those for the Jazz Education Network, International Association for Jazz Education, and the American Choral Directors Association, and have earned a DownBeat (magazine) Student Music Award in ten of the last eleven years. Jazz voice majors at UNT sing in one of the four vocal jazz ensembles, as well as studying both modern and historical practices of solo jazz singing, songwriting, vocal pedagogy, improvisation, jazz aural and keyboard skills, jazz theory and arranging, and jazz history. They also sing in Jazz Chamber Ensembles, Latin Jazz Lab Band, Zebras (pop/R&B/soul band), Brazilian Ensemble, and with one of the seven Lab Bands. Over the years, individual UNT vocal jazz students have received Downbeat Magazine Student Music Awards for solo singing, arranging, leading small groups, and composition. Alumni of the program have gone on to win or receive nominations for Grammy Awards, Independent Music Awards and CASA awards, and are enjoying successful careers as recording artists, studio singers, college professors, composers, arrangers, music producers, and worship leaders.

Jennifer Barnes is the Director of Vocal Jazz at UNT, in addition to being a highly sought-after vocalist, educator, clinician and arranger throughout the U.S. and Canada. She has directed award-winning Vocal Jazz Ensembles at eight universities, won a 2016 "Jazz Education Achievement Award" from DownBeat magazine, has served as a guest conductor for District and All-State Music Festivals in 16 states, and her vocal arrangements are published by Sheet Music Plus, Anchor Music, UNC Jazz Press, and at her own website (JenniferBarnesMusic.com). In addition to her teaching activities, Jennifer is an active performing and studio vocalist, including her roles as alto vocalist, composer and arranger for the professional vocal ensemble Vertical Voices, solo and group vocals for television shows, video games and films including "World of Warcraft", "Wall-E", "Enchanted", "Ice Age (2, 3 & 4)" and "Glee". Ms. Barnes is a member of the American Society of Composers, Arrangers and Publishers, Screen Actors Guild, and the Jazz Education Network. She earned the Master of Music degree in Studio Music and Jazz Performance from the University of Miami (FL) and the Bachelor of Music degree in Piano Performance from Western Michigan University.

For more information, visit jazz.unt.edu and follow "UNTVocalJazz" on Facebook and Instagram. You may also write to Jennifer.Barnes@unt.edu and request to be added to the email list that will help make sure you receive information about performances and other vocal jazz events.