



University of North Texas
College of Music

Ensemble Concert | Saturday, April 25, 2026 | 6:30 p.m. | Paul Voertman Concert Hall

Beginner and Advanced Afro-Cuban Ensembles

Brazilian Ensemble

Latin Jazz Lab

José M. Aponte, director

Beginner Afro-Cuban Ensemble

La De Mayagüez (2000) Don Félix Alduén
Western Bomba Songs: (1926-2003)
Güembé, Leró, Holandé | Puerto Rico arr. José M. Aponte

Advanced Afro-Cuban Ensemble

Pa' Los Mayores (1998) Grupo AfroCuba de Matanzas
Rumba Yambú | Cuba (n/a)
trans. Jeffrey Chaidez

La Polémica (1988) . Florencio "Catalino" Calle/Los Muñequitos de Matanzas
Rumba Guaguancó | Cuba (n/a)
adapt. Ashton Weigel

Sin Comentarios (2006) Osain del Monte
Rumba Timba | Cuba (n/a)
trans. Ashton Weigel

Brazilian Ensemble

Ponta de Areia / Maria Maria (2020) Milton Nascimento
Brazilian/Galician Fusion | Brazil /Spain (b. 1942)
As played by Aliboria
adapt. José M. Aponte

Program five hundred sixty-six of the 2025–2026 season
Photography and videography are prohibited

- Umbigo do Mundo (2003) L. Cherubini
 Samba/Maracatu/Capaoira/Pagode/
 Samba Reggae | Brazil P. Foschi,
 M. Centoze,
 S. Celani,
 Nelson Motta (b. 1944)
 arr. José M. Aponte
- No Woman No Cry (1989) Bob Marley
 Samba Reggae | Brazil (1945-1981)
 As played by Olodum
 adapt. José M. Aponte
- Sambeando (2026) Traditional Carnival Samba School Bateria
 Samba and Samba Reggae | Brazil (n/a)
 arr. José M. Aponte

Latin Jazz Lab

- Do it! (2005) Francisco Torres
 Mambo/Jazz (b.1974)
 arr. Chris Bauer
- Brown Belle Blues (2010) Stefon Harris
 Afro-Cuban/Afro-Puerto Rican Jazz (b.1973)
 arr. Jasper Kashou
- Guajira Dubois (2006) Brian Lynch
 Guajira/Jazz (b.1956)
- Aguas De Março (1972) Antonio Carlos Jobim
 Brazilian/Jazz (b.1927-1994)
 arr. Jasper Kashou
- Silencio, From Romances del Cumbanchero (1932) Rafael Hernández
 Bolero/Jazz (b.1892-1960)
 adapt. Jasper Kashou
- Tip 2- Pat Your Foot (2026) Jasper Kashou
 Afro-Cuban 6/8- Guaguancó/Jazz (b. 2001)
- El Cumbanchero (1947) Rafael Hernández
 Afro-Cuban Jazz (b.1892-1960)
 arr. Jasper Kashou

Personnel

Beginner Afro-Cuban Ensemble Personnel

José M. Aponte, director

William De Martini	Kenyon Kremin
Sloane Dyer	Margaret Nicholson
Ora Folden	Marco Salazar
Nathanael Green	Ruiyang Yuan
Jacob Hanson	Caleb Yurasek
Zachary Johnson	

Vocalists

Marisa Cravero | Jaden Tabor | Natalie Holsey | Margaret Nicholson

Advanced Afro-Cuban Ensemble Personnel

José M. Aponte, director

Josh Camacho	Owen Troy
Bailey Dixon	I-Huan Tsai
Natalie Garms	Ashton Weigel
Benjamin Hinkle	Ian Yoo
Zeke Strawn	

Marisa Cravero and Jaden Tabor, vocalists

Brazilian Ensemble Personnel

José M. Aponte, director

Charles Baltay	Tiago Macedo
Jonah Brittain	Elizabeth Olvera
David Brown	Ryne Ortez
Mathew	Christian Schaal
Chovanec	Nico Strichartz
Nicholas Dunn	Finn Sullivan
Peter Eisenmenger	Owen Troy
Michael Lathrop	Ian Yoo

Vocalists

Marisa Cravero | Jaden Tabor | Natalie Holsey | Margaret Nicholson

Latin Jazz Lab Personnel

José M. Aponte, director

Jasper Kashou, Teaching Fellow/Composer in Residence:

Saxophone

Josh Nasto

Daniel Gómez

Zachary Gresik

Jiovanni Aguirre

Davis Miller

Trumpet

Mitch McCollom

Samuel Tschopp

Carter Stanton

Gabriel Santiago

Finn Sullivan

Trombone

Alex Schmidt-Karye

Alex Parker

Ora Folden

Vince Certo

Margaret Nicholson, voice

Rhythm

Bailey Dixon, congas

Simon Von Hatten, timbal

Zeke Strawn, bongó

Ashton Weigel, drumset

Samuel Hedgpeth, piano

Troy Owen, guitar

Marco Salazar, bass