



March 11, 2014

Dear Jazz Ensemble Director,

Important stuff here!  
Please read.  
(the whole thing)

Thank you for participating in the Fresno City College “City Jazz 2014” Festival. This letter, and the accompanying schedule, will serve as a confirmation of your performance time on **Thursday, March 20**. There are a lot of events scheduled throughout the day, so I hope you’ll be able to take advantage of as many as possible.

This year, all big bands are performing in the Main Stage Theatre, with warm-up in the band room and feedback clinics in room 103. (The first group of the day can warm up on stage; the last should do their clinic on stage also.) Please observe the 25-minute time limit (this includes on and off times, setting up, tuning, announcing, etc.) Our experience is that **three tunes is the max you can realistically do** in this time. Groups that exceed their time limit will be ineligible for any awards. Signs will be posted, and band escorts provided. Combos are in the Recital Hall, and have a 45 minute slot for warm-up, performance, and feedback, all in the same room.

Our guest artist this year is trumpet virtuoso and Grammy nominee Wayne Bergeron. Wayne’s recording and performing credits read like a “who’s who” of jazz and pop artists. Check out his bio at [cityjazzfestival.com](http://cityjazzfestival.com).

Wayne will present two clinics in the Recital Hall, at **10:45 a.m.** and again at **1:30 p.m.** These are great opportunities for you and you students to listen to and learn from this fantastic jazz artist. There will be a lot of great student groups performing during the day, so please allow time in your schedule to hear some of them too. The festival concludes with **Wayne Bergeron**, along with the FCC Jazz Ensemble and the Festival All-Stars, in the FCC Theatre at 7:30 p.m. You can purchase tickets in advance (see the web site) or at the box office on the day of the festival. **NEW THIS YEAR: group rate for student tickets: 10 or more, only \$8 each!** These “extras” are what make festivals a complete experience for students, and I hope you’ll work these into your schedule!

## **IMPORTANT ITEM #1: Bus and van unloading and parking**

### **Please use these directions:**

From Blackstone, enter the campus from Weldon (across from the stadium.) Bear left, go under the underpass, turn LEFT at the stop onto Campus Drive, then immediate RIGHT into Staff Lot G, where you can unload (but NOT park!) Continue on through Lot G after unloading, loop around, go back out under the underpass to park in Lot S. See the attached map, or use this link:

<http://www.fresnocitycollege.edu/index.aspx?page=258>

**Buses MUST park in Lot S**, across the tracks. **Cars and vans must purchase parking passes for the day at the machines in the lots, or they will be ticketed.**

Be aware that there is a LOT of traffic on campus, especially between classes. Please allow for plenty of extra time to arrive, unload, and get to where you need to be on time. If you or your driver have any questions on parking, please call the campus police at 244-5911. **Private vehicles must purchase a day pass from the machines, or risk a parking ticket.**

**IMPORTANT ITEM #2:** Please bring these completed forms with you (see attachments):

- **five** copies of your set list/soloists (you'll also indicate students' grade levels here)
- **two** copies of your stage set-up
- **If you are a high school**, please bring along **four** copies of the list of **seniors** planning on or considering attending Fresno City College in the fall (for scholarship consideration) AND **two** copies of the junior/senior contact sheet. These are **really important** to us, as the clinicians use them to make their scholarship awards. Thanks for the help.

City Jazz is a non-competitive festival. However, we are awarding many scholarships and awards to outstanding students, to be given out at the Awards Concert Thursday evening at **7:30**. These include:

La Sierra Music Camp (outstanding jr. high musicians)  
Fresno City College (high school seniors)  
Milestones Summer Jazz Workshop (with guest artist Bob Mintzer!)

**IMPORTANT ITEM #3:** We will provide the following equipment:

**Main Stage Theatre**  
acoustic piano (mic'd)  
guitar amp  
bass amp  
drum set\*  
vibes

**Warm-up, Feedback, Combo venue**  
acoustic piano  
guitar amp  
bass amp  
drum set\*

In order to minimize setup time and keep the festival on schedule, **you must use this equipment**. We also ask that you NOT move or reset the stage, as this will cause things to fall behind schedule.

**NO Latin or auxiliary percussion will be provided. Please bring whatever you need with you.**

**\*UNBELIEVABLY SUPER-IMPORTANT ITEM #4:  
INFORMATION ABOUT DRUMS!!!!!!**

**You need to bring your own cymbals, cymbal stands, bass drum pedal, stool/throne, and complete hi-hat setup including clutch.** In other words, we will provide the bass drum, snare and stand, and toms only. (I know this is a bit inconvenient, but we have lost too much equipment over the years.) We cannot provide any other percussion equipment...sorry.

Included here is a diagram of the stage, so you can indicate how many chairs and stands you'll need, and where any additional equipment should go. Bring copies of this with you to check-in, and we'll make sure the stage crew is ready for your band.

**Awards:** City Jazz is a non-competitive festival. Outstanding student performers receive scholarships to several summer music programs, and seniors are also eligible for scholarships to Fresno City College. Awards will be announced at the evening concert.

**Food:** The FCC City Singers are fundraising for their upcoming trip to Spain, and will host a barbecue outside the music building. Have your students stop by for a delicious lunch! There are also fast food places within walking distance of FCC, and the cafeteria and Bookstore Cafe will be open. Please remind your students that there is absolutely no food or drinks allowed in the theatre or music building at any time! Experience tells us this is an ongoing problem, and we could use your help here.

**Classes:** Please remind students that there are classes in session.

**Night Concert...** Don't forget about the Thursday evening concert/scholarship awards presentation, featuring **Wayne Bergeron!** It's Thursday, March 20 at **7:30** in the FCC Theater.

**Tickets** will be available at the FCC Theater Box Office during the day, and one hour before the concert. Cost is \$15-general. \$12 senior/JazzFresno member, and \$10/student (group rate for student tickets is \$8 for 10+). **I strongly recommend that your students, parents, etc. purchase tickets in advance!** The box office phone number is (559) 442-8221. You can also purchase tickets online, too, at [fresnocitycollege.edu/boxofficetickets](http://fresnocitycollege.edu/boxofficetickets).

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me at FCC (442-4600 ext. 8463), on my cell (289-3763), or email ([mike.dana@fresnocitycollege.edu](mailto:mike.dana@fresnocitycollege.edu)). These web sites will have current info as well:

[cityjazzfestival.com](http://cityjazzfestival.com)  
[jazzfresno.org](http://jazzfresno.org)

Thanks again--I'm looking forward to your performance!

Sincerely,

Mike Dana, Festival Director

# City Jazz 2014 Set List/Soloists

School \_\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ Performance Time \_\_\_\_\_

*(print, please!)*

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Composer/Arranger \_\_\_\_\_

Soloists: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_ FCC? \_\_\_ Inst. \_\_\_\_\_

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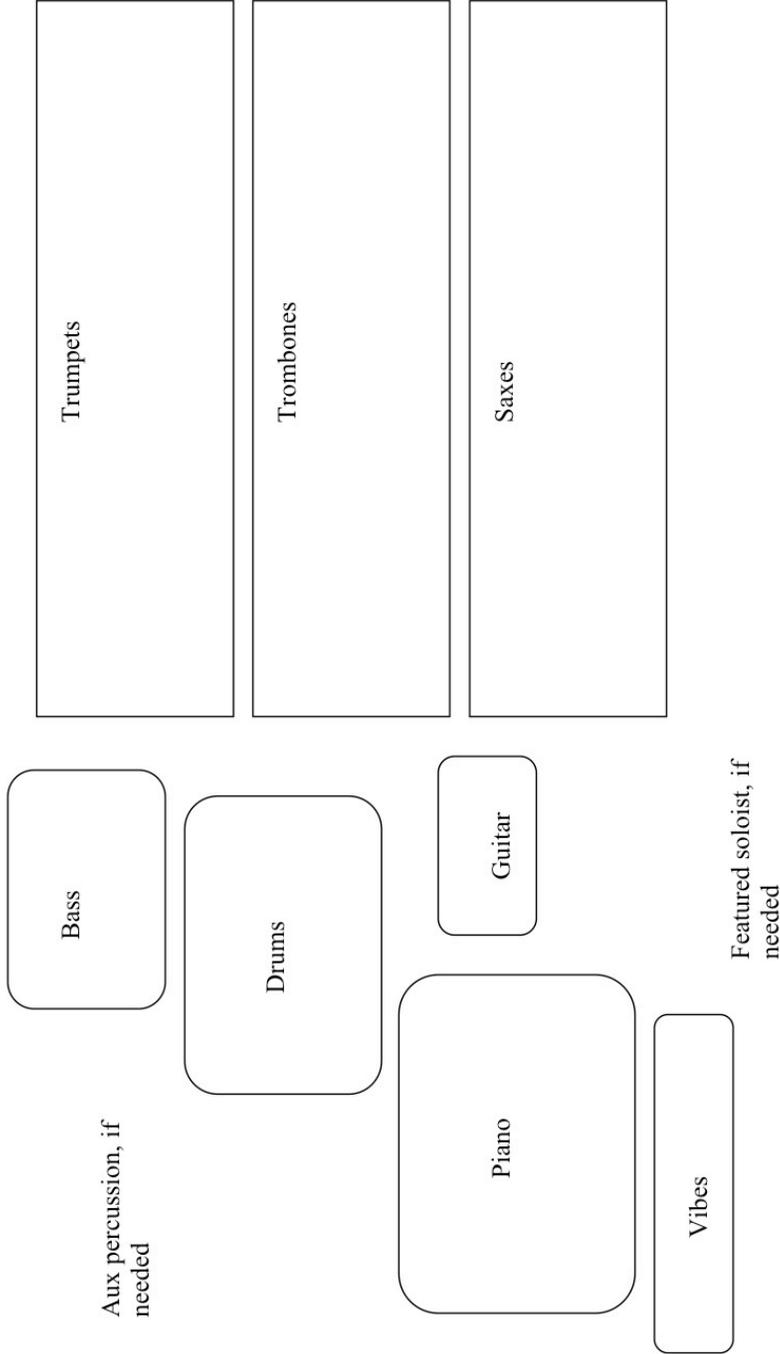
Title \_\_\_\_\_ Composer/Arranger \_\_\_\_\_

Soloists: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_ FCC? \_\_\_ Inst. \_\_\_\_\_

NOTES: Three charts MAX! Please help us keep the festival on time, and allow for setup, tuning, announcing etc. in your **25 minute** time slot. Indicate students' grade level, and whether they considering attending FCC (if they are juniors or seniors.) **Bring 5** (five) copies of this set list with you when you check in. The adjudicators will use these to determine scholarship awards.

# City Jazz Festival Stage Layout

School \_\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ Performance time \_\_\_\_\_



- To help our tech crew get your band set up as quickly as possible, please
- Indicate how many chairs (C), music stands (S), and solo mics (M) you need, along with their placement.
  - Indicate if out-front soloist mic/music stand are needed
  - Bring TWO copies of this with you when you check in.

**High school directors, please bring 4 copies of this with you when you check in.**

# City Jazz 2014 FCC Scholarship Candidates (HS Seniors only)

**High School directors only:** Please list any high school **seniors** who are **definitely** attending FCC next fall. The adjudicators will use this information to award the FCC scholarships. Thanks for you help!

School \_\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_

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*please print!*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Inst. \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

**High school directors, please bring 2 copies of this with you when you check in.**

# City Jazz 2014

## High School Junior/Senior Contact Sheet

**High School directors:** Please let us know of any juniors or seniors in your group who would like more information on the jazz studies or other music programs at FCC, or who are considering attending FCC after graduation. Thanks!

School \_\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_

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*(please print!)*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade (circle) 11 12 Inst. \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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# City Jazz 2014 Check List

(don't get on the bus without it!)

## Drummers:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Bass drum pedal
- \_\_\_\_\_ Hi-hat setup (inc. clutch)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cymbals and stands
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sticks, brushes, mallets
- \_\_\_\_\_ Throne/stool

## Bass and guitar:

- \_\_\_\_\_ extra cord
- \_\_\_\_\_ strap

## Brass players:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Mouthpiece
- \_\_\_\_\_ Mutes

## Saxes:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Strap
- \_\_\_\_\_ Reeds
- \_\_\_\_\_ Mouthpiece

## Everyone:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Music
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$\$ for lunch, snacks, concert tickets, etc.

## Director:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Forms (set list, setup, HS info etc.)

# City Jazz 2014

## Performance and Clinic Schedule (rev. 3/11/14)

**Warmup Perform Clinic BIG BANDS (THEATRE)**

8:00	<b>8:25</b>	8:50	Kastner Intermediate Jazz 2	Sandy Headrick
8:25	<b>8:50</b>	9:15	Fresno Christian High School	Michael Ogdon
8:50	<b>9:15</b>	9:40	Alta Sierra Intermediate B	Paul Lucckesi
9:15	<b>9:40</b>	10:05	Clark Intermediate	Les Nunes
9:40	<b>10:05</b>	10:30	Milestones Youth Jazz Workshop	Eva Scow
10:05	<b>10:30</b>	10:55	Kerman High School	Steve Nance
10:30	<b>10:55</b>	11:20	Reyburn Intermediate	Shannon Weber
10:55	<b>11:20</b>	11:45	Kastner Intermediate Jazz 1	Sandy Headrick
11:20	<b>11:45</b>	12:10	Alta Sierra Intermediate A	Paul Lucckesi
	<b>12:10</b>		LUNCH BREAK	
12:35	<b>1:00</b>	<b>1:25</b>	Clovis West High School	Evan Johnson
<b>1:00</b>	<b>1:25</b>	<b>1:50</b>	Buchanan High School B	Paul Lucckesi
<b>1:25</b>	<b>1:50</b>	<b>2:15</b>	Clovis High B	Les Nunes
<b>1:50</b>	<b>2:15</b>	<b>2:40</b>	Sanger High School	Dan Peña
<b>2:15</b>	<b>2:40</b>	<b>3:05</b>	Roosevelt School of the Arts	George Ramirez
<b>2:40</b>	<b>3:05</b>	<b>3:30</b>	Bullard High School	Patrick Alvidrez
<b>3:05</b>	<b>3:30</b>	<b>3:55</b>	Clovis High A	Les Nunes
<b>3:30</b>	<b>3:55</b>	<b>4:20</b>	Tulare Union High School	Mario Capote
<b>3:55</b>	<b>4:20</b>	<b>4:45</b>	West High School	Mickey Murray
<b>4:20</b>	<b>4:45</b>	<b>5:15</b>	Buchanan High School A	Paul Lucckesi
<b>4:45</b>	<b>5:15</b>	5:40	Exeter High School	Kirk Clague

Warmup, perform, clinic

**COMBOS (RECITAL HALL)**

8:00 - 8:45		
8:45 - 9:30	Selma High School Combo	Kevin Tinkle
9:45 - 10:30	Bullard High School Combo	Patrick Alvidrez

**Wayne Bergeron Clinics: @10:45 and 1:30, Recital Hall (MS-132)**

**Evening Concert: Wayne Bergeron, FCC Jazz Ensemble, Festival All-Stars @7:30 pm**