

The VCU Jazz Students Fund

We hope that you will make a gift to the VCU Jazz Students Fund. The Fund helps advance the careers of future jazz musicians by providing scholarships, equipment, and travel funding for students/ensembles, plus fees for visiting artists. Your gift now at any of the following levels will help us secure these opportunities for our students: \$1000+ (Jazz Orchestra), \$500 - \$999 (Big Band), \$250 - \$499 (Quartet), \$100 - \$249 (Duo), \$1 - \$99 (Soloist). For more information or to donate by credit card, visit go.vcu.edu/jazzfund. Or make your checks payable to the "VCU Jazz Students Fund" and mail them to Antonio García, VCU Music, PO Box 842004, Richmond, VA 23284-2004.

VCU Jazz Faculty

Taylor Barnett: Jazz Improvisation,
Trumpet, (Fall 2017) Jazz Orchestra I

Carlos Chafin: Affiliate Faculty (In Your
Ear Studio)

Steven Cunningham: Jazz Orchestra II,
Small Jazz Ensemble

Victor Dvoskin: Bass

Michael Ess: Guitar, SJE

Antonio García: Director of Jazz Studies,
Trombone, Jazz Orchestra I, SJE, Jazz
Theory, Music Industry (on teaching leave
for Fall 2017)

Wells Hanley: Piano, Jazz Masterclass

Darryl Harper: Jazz History (on leave)

Emre Kartari: SJE

J.C. Kuhl: Saxophone

Tony Martucci: Drum Set, SJE

Randall Pharr: Bass, SJE

Doug Richards: Arranging

Rex Richardson: Trumpet

Harry Watters: (Fall 2017) Artist in
Residence, Trombone, SJE

VCU Jazz Calendar

(in part and subject to change)

Concerts are in the Concert Hall unless noted.

Every Friday, 7-9 p.m. — "VCU Jazz at Emilio's" at Emilio's, 1847 West Broad Street, featuring VCU ensembles and other combos of VCU students. \$5 minimum, all ages welcome.

Friday 12/8, 7 p.m. — **VCU Holiday Music Gala**, including Jazz Orchestra II. Tickets: \$10 adult, \$5 children 12 and under. Proceeds benefit The Doorways.

Friday 2/9, 8 p.m. — **Jazz 4 Justice™**, featuring the VCU Jazz Orchestra I, Jazz Orchestra II, Women's Choir, and J4J Scholarship Recipients. Admission TBA. Presented in partnership with the Greater Richmond Bar Foundation (grbf.org).

Get the inside story and advance word on VCU Jazz events by subscribing to the **VCU Jazz E-Newsletter** (free!) E-mail Prof. García at ajgarcia@vcu.edu.

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DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

VCU Jazz Orchestra II

Steven Cunningham, Director

Tuesday, November 28, 2017 at 8 p.m.

Sonia Vlahcevic Concert Hall

W. E. Singleton Center for the Performing Arts

Virginia Commonwealth University

922 Park Avenue | Richmond, VA

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Program

Hard Sock Dance.....Quincy Jones
Cute.....Neal Hefti
The Queen Bee.....Sammy Nestico
Momcat Mambo.....Michael Philip Mossman

— Intermission —

Blues in Hoss Flat.....Frank Foster
Miss Fine.....Oliver Nelson
To You.....Thad Jones
April in Paris.....music: Vernon Duke, words: E.Y. Harburg,
arr. Wild Bill Davis

VCU Jazz Orchestra II

Saxes: Evan Varney (alto, tenor), William Sherdel (alto, tenor), Thomas Levine (tenor), Vidal Bejar-Padilla (tenor), Cory Carter (baritone, flute, tenor)

Trumpets: Marshall Klimmek, Jerry Grimes, Nathan Rhodes, Noah Mendoza

Trombones: Bryan Gonzalez, Tye Proffitt, Vincent Guzman, Will Dalrymple (bass)

Rhythm: Chris Lewis (guitar), Julio Taylor (piano), Alex Kehayas (bass), DeSean Gault (drums)

Looking for some other great music besides jazz? The VCU Music Department hosts hundreds of concerts each year, most of them free of charge! View our full schedule at go.vcu.edu/concerts.

Photography is not permitted during performances. Please silence all electronic devices.

Jazz 4 Justice™

On Friday, February 9 at 8 p.m. VCU Music and the Greater Richmond Bar Foundation will present the fourth annual Jazz 4 Justice™ concert, featuring the VCU Jazz Orchestra I, Jazz Orchestra II, and Women's Choir in Vlahcevic Concert Hall, Singleton Center. Admission details will be forthcoming soon. The ticket price typically includes admission to the concert, hors d'oeuvres, and the first drink. A cash bar will be available for additional beverages. A jam session will follow the concert; so community members can bring your instruments and join in. Proceeds from the evening assist pro bono legal services in our community and will help provide VCU Jazz scholarships. Sponsorship opportunities are available; contact Alison Roussy aroussy@grbf.org, or 780-2600. The concert is presented with the Greater Richmond Bar Foundation (grbf.org). Come join us for great music for a great cause!

VCU Greater Richmond High School Jazz Band

Plans have begun for the next season of the GRHSJB, with auditions planned for January 9-10 and the first rehearsal January 14. Under the direction of Prof. Antonio García, the ensemble meets most Sundays 2-4 p.m., plus a closing concert the afternoon of Saturday, May 5. Additional performances in past years have included The Carpenter Theatre, García's faculty recital, the Titan Jazz & Arts Festival, and outreach venues on the VCU campus; and the band has already been invited back to close the Titan Jazz Festival the evening of Saturday, April 21, 2018. If you're a high school student in the Richmond region interested in working with your peers from a dozen other high schools towards some swinging performances—or if you're a teacher of those students—please note these dates; and spread the word!

Additional Local Events

On Wednesday, December 13 from 12-1 p.m. Prof. Antonio García will present a family event as part of the "Lunch Break Science" series at the Science Museum of Virginia, 2500 West Broad Street, 3rd floor in the "Ms. Barbara Thalhimer Theater." Titled "Upbeat Wavebeats: Music and Sympathetic Vibration for All!," the concert/demonstration will include García (trombone/percussion) with alumnus Bryan Sulser (bass/vocals) and Aimee Sulser (vocals). Music, physics, and fun! Admission is free; just check in at the front desk. To learn more, visit www.smv.org/upcoming-events.

On Thursday, December 28 from 6-9 p.m. Joseph Kennedy, Jr. Scholarship winners - Chet Frierson (sax), Jake Adams (guitar), Ben Kelly (bass, a recipient last year), and Bryan Connolly (drums) - will perform at the VMFA "Jazz Café," sponsored by the Richmond Jazz Society. The Virginia Museum of Fine Arts is located at 1200 North Boulevard. Admission is free, open to all ages, with food and drink available for purchase. Visit www.vmfa.museum/calendar/events/jazz-cafe, or call 340-1400 for more information.

Jazz Studies at Virginia Commonwealth University

The VCU Jazz Studies program provides its students outstanding opportunities to pursue jazz performance and writing, as evidenced in part by alumni who have performed with such artists as Chick Corea, Wynton Marsalis, Abbey Lincoln, Ray Charles, Count Basie Orchestra, Mandy Moore, k.d. lang, Bon Iver, and Foxygen; have appeared on Saturday Night Live, Conan O'Brien, The Daily Show, The Colbert Report, and David Letterman; have composed film, TV, and video scores; and who are superb educators, composers, and performers throughout local, national, and international venues. For more information, please visit www.jazz.vcu.edu; e-mail Prof. García at ajgarcia@vcu.edu.