

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 check payable to the "VCU Foundation"; in the memo-area write "Jazz Students Fund," and send it to Antonio Garcia, VCU Music, 922 Park Avenue, PO Box 842004, Richmond VA 23284-2004.

VCU Jazz Faculty

Taylor Barnett: Jazz Arranging, Jazz History, Trumpet
Carlos Chafin: Affiliate Faculty (In Your Ear Studio)
Victor Dvoskin: Bass
Michael Ess: Guitar, Small Jazz Ensemble
Antonio Garcia: Director of Jazz Studies, Trombone, Jazz Orchestra I, Small Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Theory, Music Industry
Wells Hanley: Piano, Jazz Masterclass

Emre Kartari: Small Jazz Ensemble
J.C. Kuhl: Saxophone
Tony Martucci: Drum Set, Small Jazz Ensemble
Randall Pharr: Bass, Small Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Improvisation
Rex Richardson: Trumpet
Toby Whitaker: Jazz Orchestra II, Small Jazz Ensemble

VCU Jazz Calendar

(in part and subject to change)
All in the Concert Hall.

Friday, December 7 at 7 p.m. — VCU Music Holiday Gala, including Jazz Orchestra II. Tickets \$10 adult, \$5 children 12 and under; donations appreciated. The evening benefits VCU MCV's The Doorways (formerly the Hospital Hospitality House).

Saturday, January 26, 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. — VCU Jazz Day, free to invited high school students. Informal concert 3 p.m. Admission free.

Friday, February 8, 8 p.m. — Jazz 4 Justice™ concert, featuring the VCU Jazz Orchestra I, Jazz Orchestra II, J4J Scholarship Recipients, and guest conductor. Admission TBA. Presented with the Greater Richmond Bar Foundation.

Thursday, February 14, 8 p.m. — VCU Jazz Orchestra I. \$7 advance; \$10 at door; free for VCU students.

Sunday, February 17, 4 p.m. — Antonio Garcia Faculty Jazz Recital (trombone, composition). Admission free. Performers include Mary Hermann Garcia, VCU Jazz Orchestra I, VCU Greater Richmond High School Jazz Band. Admission free.

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

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VCU Jazz Orchestra II

Toby Whitaker, director

Tuesday, November 27, 2018 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

Vine Street Rumble	Benny Carter
Kansas City Shout	Ernie Wilkins
Blue and Sentimental	Jerry Livingston, arr. Eddie Durham
Avenue C	Buck Clayton

— Intermission —

Such Sweet Thunder	Duke Ellington & Billy Strayhorn
Las Vegas Tango	Gil Evans
Bagdad	Juan Tizol
Asia Minor	Roger Mozian

VCU Jazz Orchestra II

Saxes: Emory Freeman (alto, flute, clarinet), Emily Covington (alto, flute), Raatib Rahman (tenor, clarinet), William Sherdel (tenor, alto), Nathan Fussell (bari, alto)

Trumpets: Jerry Grimes, Tiana Taylor, Sebastian Ford, William Hawkins

Trombones: Andrew Johnson, Lulu West, Damien Cason, William Dalrymple (bass)

Rhythm: Jonah Graham (guitar), Jo Santos (piano), Anthony Cavanaugh (bass), Jake Grissom (drums)

Jazz 4 Justice™

On Friday, February 8 at 8 p.m. VCU Music and the Greater Richmond Bar Foundation will present the fifth annual Jazz 4 Justice™ concert, featuring the VCU Jazz Orchestra I, Jazz Orchestra II, and more 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 at aroussy@grbf.org, 780-2600. The concert is presented with the Greater Richmond Bar Foundation (www.grbf.org). Come join us for great music for a great cause.

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 videogame scores; and who are superb educators, composers, and performers throughout local, national, and international venues. For more information, please visit jazz.vcu.edu; e-mail Prof. García at ajgarcia@vcu.edu.

VCU Greater Richmond High School Jazz Band

Plans have begun for the next season of the GRHSJB, with auditions planned for January 8-9 and the first rehearsal January 20. 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 4. 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 13. 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!

VCU Jazz Day

VCU's 23rd annual VCU Jazz Day is open to students from select high school jazz programs from a wider region to spend the day with us at absolutely no charge. Jazz Day is focused on students who have shown the most jazz interest and ability in their high school ensembles. We'll give them a great day of music-making, sharing, and learning.

VCU Jazz Day is Saturday, January 26 from 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. and will include improvisation workshops, VCU student and faculty jazz performances, and master classes for individual instruments. Most importantly, the visiting students (who will bring their instruments) will combine with students from a few other established programs to form combos that will rehearse with our faculty and then perform for each other at 3 p.m. in an informal concert open to the public. Lunch will be provided to the participating students at no charge. At least five of our many Jazz Studies faculty will offer instruction on all the typical combo instruments.

If you know of high school directors or students who should be aware of VCU Jazz Day, let them know. Nominations are typically routed through the student's own band director. E-mail Prof. Antonio García at ajgarcia@vcu.edu.