



Enriching Life With Jazz

APR 24 1999 – Swing's the Thing, JazzMN's inaugural concert with guest Buddy DeFranco, clarinet. Vocals: Bruce Henry. Fitzgerald Theater, St. Paul.

OCT 1999 – A Tribute to Frank Sinatra, with guests Steve Vecchi, vocals, and Irv Williams, saxophone, at Hopkins Community Arts Center.

FEB 2000 – Salute to Stan Kenton, with guests John Harner, trumpet and Tom Matta, trombone. Vocals: Debbie Duncan, Benson Great Hall (BGH).

APR 2000 – A Tribute to Buddy Rich, with guest Dave Weckl, drums. Vocals: Denis Spears, BGH.

NOV 2000 – Jump, Shout and Wail, with guest Byron Stripling, trumpet, BGH.

FEB 2001 – Sizzling Sandoval, with guests Arturo Sandoval and His Sextet, BGH.

APR 2001 – Bebop Shabam, with guest James Moody, saxophone. Vocals: Connie Evingson, BGH.

OCT 2001 – Vocal Ease, with guest Ernestine Anderson, vocals, BHG.

FEB 2002 – Phil Woods. 'Nuff Said, with guest Phil Woods, alto sax. Vocals: Lucia Newell, BGH.

APR 2002 – More Than a Concert, with guest Terry Gibbs, vibraphone. Vocals: Jack Babbitt, BGH.

OCT 2002 – The Artistry of Stan Kenton with drummer John Von Ohlen. Vocals: Mary Ellen Tanner, BGH.

NOV 8-9 2002 – Gershwin Alive! with vocalist Patty Peterson, Buetow Hall, Concordia U.

JAN 2003 – JazzMN Meets Paquito D'Rivera with saxophonist Paquito D'Rivera, Vocals: Lucia Newell, BGH.

MAR 2003 – Sing! Sing! Sing! with the New York Voices, BGH.

OCT 2003 – Joey Jammin' on the Hammond B-3 with Joey DeFrancesco, BGH.

NOV 2003 – Jazz Classics with JazzMN Big Band. Vocals: Mary Ellen Tanner, BGH.

JAN 2004 – Bob Mintzer; Jazz Master with saxophonist Bob Mintzer. Vocals: Sue Tucker, BGH.

APR 2004 – Slide Hampton; Trombone Extraordinaire with MN Trombone All-Stars. Vocals: Connie Evingson, BGH.

OCT 2004 – JazzMN with Trumpeter Carl Saunders. Vocals: Patty Peterson. Ted Mann Concert Hall (TMCH), U-MN.

NOV 2004 – Made in Minnesota—compositions-arrangements by MN musicians. Vocals: Charmin Michelle, TMCH.

FEB 2005 – JazzMN with baritone saxophonist Denis DiBlasio. Vocals: Bruce Henry and MSU-Mankato Jazz Singers, TMCH.

MAR 2005 – JazzMN with Rob McConnell, composer-arranger-leader. Vocals: Judi Donaghy, TMCH.

NOV 2005 – Ellington and Beyond, JazzMN with trumpeter Ryan Kisor. Vocals: Carole Martin. Hopkins High School Performing Arts Center (HHS PAC). First performance at HHS.

JAN 2006 – Jazz Writing as it Should Be, JazzMN with composer-arranger-pianist Bob Florence. Vocals: MSU Mankato Jazz Singers, HHS PAC.

MAR 2006 – A Drummer for All Ages, JazzMN with Peter Erskine, drums. Vocals: Judi Donaghy, HHS PAC.

NOV 2006 – Big Phat Blowout, JazzMN with composer-arranger-saxophonist Gordon Goodwin. Vocals: Arne Fogel, HHS PAC.

FEB 2007 – Heeere's Tommy, JazzMN with saxophonist Tom Peterson with Patty and Jean Arland Peterson, HHS

PAC.

MAR 2007 – The Art of the Big Band, JazzMN with composer-arranger Bill Holman. Vocals: Connie Evingson, HHS PAC.

OCT 2007 – Plays Well with Others, JazzMN and trumpeter Wayne Bergeron. Vocals: Maud Hixson, HHS PAC.

JAN 18-19 2008 – Virtuosity, JazzMN with saxophonist-clarinetist Chris Vadala with Apple Valley High school ensemble, 1/18 at AVHS. Vocals: Judi Donaghy on 1/19 at HHS PAC.

MAR 2008 – Rare Mahogany, JazzMN with vocalist Kevin Mahogany, pianist Jimmy Hamilton, HHS PAC.

OCT 2008 – Latin Side of Conrad Herwig, with Conrad Herwig, trombone. Charmin Michelle, vocals, HHS PAC.

DEC 2008 – A JazzMN Holiday with vocalist Connie Evingson, HHS PAC.

FEB 2009 – Gumbo Nouveau with trumpeter Nicholas Payton with guest brass quintet, The Hornheads, HHS PAC.

APR 2009 – Bennie Goodman's 100th Birthday with Ken Peplowski, clarinet. Vocals: Arne Fogel, HHS PAC.

SEP 26 2009 – High Voltage with Ernie Watts, saxophone; Debbie Duncan, vocals, HHS PAC.

NOV 21 2009 – Three Tenors: Dave Karr, Pete Whitman, Dale Mendenhall, HHS PAC.

MAR 20 2010 – A Composer for our Time, Fred Sturm; Voice Trek, vocals, HHS PAC.

APR 24 2010 – Shew Horn with Bobby Shew, trumpet; Connie Evingson, vocals, HHS PAC.

OCT 2 2010 – Latin Jazz Maestro with Michael Phillip Mossman, trumpet; Charmin Michelle, vocals, HHS PAC.

NOV 20 2010 – Kenton's 100th Kickoff, with Stephanie Nakasian's tribute to June Christy, HHS PAC.

MAR 12 2011 – Jazz Guitar Extraordinaire with Mike Stern, guitar; Debbie Duncan, vocals, HHA PAC.

APR 9 2011 – Sizzling T-bone Entrée with Andy Martin, trombone; Arne Fogel, vocals, HHS PAC.

OCT 1 2011 – John Clayton, bassist-arranger-composer: Judi Donaghy, vocals, HHS PAC.

NOV 19 2011 – Tribute to Miles Davis with JazzMN soloists, HHS PAC.

MAR 12 2012 – Caswell Sisters, vocals (Rachel) and violin (Sara), HHS PAC.

APR 21 2012 – Terrell Stafford, trumpet. Jeff Jensen, vocals, HHS PAC.

OCT 2012 – Hollywood Jazz with Wayne Bergeron; Connie Evingson, vocals, HHS PAC.

NOV 2012 – Tribute to New Orleans with Charmin Michelle, vocals, and jazz marching band, HHS PAC.

MAR 2013 – Jazz Trumpet Legend with Randy Brecker, Judi Donaghy Vinar, vocals, HHS PAC.

APR 2013 – Grammy Winning Sax with Eric Marienthal, HHS PAC.

OCT 2013 – Kenny Drew Jr. piano; Connie Evingson, vocals, HHS.

NOV 2013 – Tito Puente Tribute; Lucia Newell, vocals, HHS.

MAR 2014 – New York Voices, HHS.

APR 2014 – Miguel Zenon, alto saxophone; Debbie Duncan, vocals, HHS

OCT 2014 – Dave Weckl, drums, HHS

NOV 2014 – Little Big Bands, Charmin Michelle, vocals, HHS

MAR 2015 – Pete Christlieb, tenor saxophone, Michelle Denise Michaels, vocals, HHS

APR 2015 – Bob Mintzer, tenor saxophone, Patty Peterson, vocals, HHS

Oct 2015-My Favorite Trumpet Players with guest artist Wayne Bergeron and vocalist Andrew Walesch, HHS

Nov 2015-Jazz Through the Decades featuring various styles, genres and periods of jazz throughout history with guest vocalist Debbie Duncan, HHS

Mar 2016-Vocal Portraits in Jazz with recording artist, arranger and six time Grammy nominee Tierney Sutton, HHS

April 2016-Slide by Slide featuring trombone masters Andy Martin and Bob McChesney with guest vocalist Charmin Michelle, HHS

Oct 2016-Terence Blanchard, Grammy award winning jazz trumpeter, Ordway

Nov 2016-New Orleans Night a tribute to the jazz spirit and energy that is a part of the New Orleans jazz scene, HHS

Mar 2017-NexGen Jazz featuring musicians from LA's Urban Renewal Project, the Dakota Combo and Minnesota Youth Jazz Bands, HHS

April 2017-Maria Schneider Grammy Award winning composer, orchestra leader and MN native conducts the JazzMN Orchestra performing her original works, HHS

Oct 2017- Wycliffe Gordon, internationally acclaimed trombonist, with guest vocalist Yolande Bruce, Ordway

Dec 2017-JazzMN Orchestra Swings in the Holidays with guest vocalist Connie Evingson, HHS

Mar 2018-The Commission Project A premiere performance featuring new compositions by leading composers from across the country. Guest vocalist: Andrew Walesch, HHS

April 2018- Bill Evans, Grammy-nominated jazz saxophonist with guest vocalist Charmin Michelle, HHS

Oct 2018-Sinatra and Basie Live at the Sands with special guest vocalist Curtis Stigers, CDT

Dec 2018-Jingle Bell Jazz featuring guest vocalist Andrew Walesch, CDT

April 2019-JazzMN Orchestra's 20th Anniversary Celebration featuring saxophonist Bob Sheppard and vocalist Cameron Kinghorn, CDT

BGH=Benson Great Hall
TMCH=Ted Mann Concert Hall
HHS=Hopkins HS Performing Arts Center
CDT=Chanhassen Dinner Theatres