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JazzMN returns to Chanhassen Dinner Theatres in a Virtual Show April 29 – June 24

Chanhassen Dinner Theatres is pleased to present **ICONS OF THE JAZZ SEXTET**, a virtual performance featuring the **JazzMN Sextet**, will be available from April 29th to June 24th as part of the Chan@Home acclaimed concert series.

The JazzMN Sextet, members of the larger JazzMN Orchestra, will explore the foundations of modern jazz by recreating classic sextet performances from the '40s, '50s and beyond.

Although the quintet was the most common instrumentation for small groups since the earliest days of jazz, composers, arrangers and musicians soon embraced the sextet as an ensemble where they could expand their writing chops, as well as their improvisations. This program features favorites by Charlie Parker, Dizzy Gillespie, Horace Silver, Art Blakey's Jazz Messengers, Art Farmer & Benny Golson's Jazztet and more.

The **JazzMN Sextet** includes some of the top professional jazz musicians in the Twin Cities. Band members are: JC Sanford, trombone and JazzMN's artistic director; Pete Whitman, saxophones; Adam Rossmiller, trumpet; Mary Louise Knutson, piano; Jeff Bailey, bass and Phil Hey, drums.

JazzMN performances delight both jazz lovers and novices alike. Every time JazzMN performs at the Chanhassen, it's a sell out! Over 1,000 households tuned in to the last JazzMN live stream performance earlier this month.

Audience members can enjoy this performance at their leisure from the comfort and safety of their home through the Chan@Home concert series.

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Tickets are \$20 for a single view and \$40 for a household (up to 4 guests). Information on how to purchase and access the performance can be found on the Chanhassen's website at www.chanhassendt.com.

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About JazzMN Orchestra

The JazzMN Orchestra, the Twin Cities' premier professional jazz ensemble, performs a broad range of jazz repertoire spanning classic and contemporary styles, showcasing some of the finest musicians from throughout the region, and featuring world-class guest artists. Formed as a non-profit arts organization in 1998, JazzMN, Inc. supports its mission to promote excellence in the jazz art form through performance, preservation and educational outreach. For more information, please visit JazzMN.org.

About Chanhassen Dinner Theatres

Celebrating over 50 years, Chanhassen Dinner Theatres is the nation's largest professional dinner theatre company. Since 1968, CDT has welcomed over 12.5 million visitors with its unique form of hospitality. Chanhassen Dinner Theatres is a fully-professional, producing musical theatre company. With scenic and costume shops on site, all design elements are created and executed by CDT's resident artistic design and technical staff. The artistic program is led by President and Artistic Director, Michael Brindisi. Brindisi works with co-owners Tamara Kangas-Erickson, VP and Choreographer, and Steven L. Peters, to manage CDT. Chanhassen Dinner Theatres continues to delight audiences with a high-quality end-to-end entertainment, dining, service experience. To learn more, visit ChanhassenDT.com