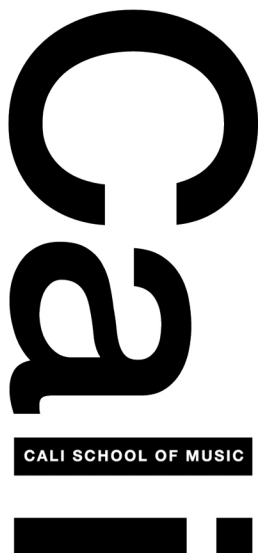


Montclair State University Jazz Ensemble

With Mike Lee,
Guest Soloist

Oscar Perez, Director

Cali Music Live
Sunday, May 23rd, 2021
3:00 pm



Exactly Like You

Jimmy McHugh
arr. by Dennis Mackrel

Black Narcissus

Guest Soloist, Mike Lee

Joe Henderson
arr. by Bob Belden

Alter Ego

James Williams
arr. by Eddie Allen

Finya Wulo

Michael Phillip Mossman

Dolphin Dance

Herbie Hancock
arr. by Bob Mintzer

PERSONNEL

Oscar Perez, Director
Mike Lee, Guest Soloist

Nicolas Martin, Alto 1
Stephan Schwarz, Alto 2
Allan Romero Tenor Sax 1
Bella Rochford, Tenor Sax 2
Sabrina Isaac, Baritone Sax
Shanyse Strickland, Flute/French Horn

Deshaun Hinson, Trumpet 1
Gavin Ard, Trumpet 2
Justina Carandola, Trumpet 3
David Long, Trumpet 4

Vito Cakaroglu, Trombone 1
Martin Pyda, Trombone 2
Dan Harkins, Trombone 3
Matthew Veal, Bass Trombone

Derick Campos, Guitar
Pierce Sparncroft, Vibraphone
Tia Mae Frostrom, Piano
Senny Raines, Bass
Zack Perez, Drums

MSU Jazz Ensemble Bio

The MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY JAZZ ENSEMBLE is in its first year under the direction of new Jazz Studies coordinator **Oscar Perez** and is honored to present a varied program of music from James Williams, Herbie Hancock, Michael Phillip Mossman, and Joe Henderson. We are also proud to present saxophone faculty and guest soloist Mike Lee. The group was founded and directed for twenty-two years by Dr. Jeffrey Kunkel, who retired from full-time teaching in August. The MSUJE, which is comprised of majors in Jazz Studies as well as other music majors (and even the occasional non-music major!), is dedicated to the performance of music representative of contemporary literature composed for the large jazz ensemble, as well as music of historical importance to the genre, with each semester focusing on the music of one composer or arranger. Last semester, we welcomed new trumpet faculty Marcus Printup, well known as a longtime member of the Jazz Lincoln Center Orchestra, in a concert of his music and arrangements. Our December 2016 Crawford Concert featured UK trumpeter and arranger Dr. Neil Yates in the US premiere

of his suite Undivided, along with an all-star lineup of New York-based “Irish trad” players led by Heather Martin Bixler and featuring Chris Layer. In the December 2012 Crawford Concert, the ensemble was featured in a rare US performance of Brazilian composer/arranger Mario Adnet, performing the music of Moacir Santos, Antonio Carlos Jobim, and Baden Powell. In recent years, the MSU Jazz Ensemble has performed with a variety of guest soloists, including long-time friend and colleague (and MSU alum!) David Bixler, the Grammy award-winning leader of the New York Voices, Darmon Meader, trumpeter/arranger Michael Philip Mossman, Grammy-nominated trombonist/composer Alan Ferber, trumpeter/composer John Daversa, trumpeter Ingrid Jensen, saxophonist/composer Ed Palermo, harmonica virtuoso Hendrik Meurkens, percussionist/composer Roland Vazquez, jazz guitar legend Bucky Pizzarelli, Grammy award-winning vocal group New York Voices (2006 Crawford Concert), trumpeters Terell Stafford and Tony Kadleck, saxophonists Don Braden, Dave Demsey, and Andy Fusco, trombonist Tom “Bones” Malone, guitarist Dave Stryker, vocalist Holli Ross, and drummer Steve Johns. Along with a concert performance each semester on the MSU campus, the band served as the clinic ensemble for Dennis Mackrel at the 2016 NJAJE Conference, has performed at Cecil’s Jazz Club in West Orange, Trumpets Jazz Club in Montclair, the Villanova Jazz Festival, and The University of the Arts Jazz Festival, and has appeared locally as guests of the Bloomfield Youth Band and Belleville High School Jazz Festival. Select students have also been chosen to participate in the NJAJE Intercollegiate Jazz Band since the inception of that ensemble fifteen years ago.