



2024 IOWA CITY

JAZZ FESTIVAL

PROGRAM

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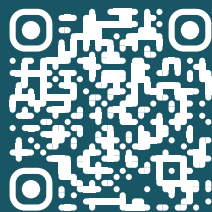
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Get ready for an unforgettable weekend of music! Bring your blanket, chair, and enthusiasm as we transform downtown Iowa City into a vibrant jazz hub for three days of live performances. Our festival features two stages showcasing a diverse lineup of well-known jazz musicians, emerging talents, and renowned national and international artists.

In addition to the incredible music, explore artist booths, engage with local organizations, savor delicious dishes, and enjoy our lively beverage garden. It's more than just a festival; it's a celebration of community, culture, and the timeless allure of jazz.

Welcome, and enjoy the festivities!



Please consider donating to Summer of the Arts to help us continue offering FREE, family-friendly programs in the Iowa City area. Your support keeps art accessible to everyone in our community.

Jazz Festival Schedule

JULY 5, 2024

5:00 pm Artist Booths and Fun Stops
 5:00 pm Culinary Delights and Beverage Garden
 9:30 pm City of Iowa City Fireworks, Old Capitol Museum Lawn
 10:00 pm Jam Session with the Blake Shaw Quartet, Graduate Hotel

MAINSTAGE

6:00 pm Fareed Haque and His Funk Brothers
 8:00 pm Ingrid Jensen and the Iowa Women's Jazz Orchestra
Sponsored by Hilton Garden Inn

SIDESTAGE

5:00 pm The MJ Group
 7:00 pm The Wayne Page Quartet

JULY 6, 2024

11:30 am Artist Booths and Fun Stops
 11:30 am Culinary Delights and Beverage Garden
 9:30 pm Jam Session with the Blake Shaw Quartet, Graduate Hotel

MAINSTAGE

11:30 am United Jazz Ensemble *Sponsored by West Music*
 12:15 pm North Corridor All Stars *Sponsored by West Music*
 2:00 pm The Blake Shaw BIG(ish) Band
 4:00 pm Emiliano Lasansky
 6:00 pm Matt Wilson's Good Trouble
 8:00 pm Lakecia Benjamin and Phoenix

SIDESTAGE

1:00 pm Kiersten Conway Trio
 3:00 pm Jackson Churchill and Good Question
 5:00 pm Tobi Crawford Trio
 7:00 pm Ritmo-Quinto

July 7, 2024

10:00 am Jazz Brunch, Vue Rooftop
 12:00 pm Artist Booths and Fun Stops
 12:00 pm Culinary Delights and Beverage Garden

MAINSTAGE

1:00 pm Trio Grismore *Supported by Tony Fischer and Beth Newell*
 3:00 pm 10 of Soul

SIDESTAGE

12:00 pm Reese Pike Trio
 2:00 pm Sam Ross Quintet

Main Stage Performers

FRIDAY

FAREED HAQUE

Fareed Haque is a modern guitar virtuoso. Steeped in classical and jazz traditions, his unique command of the guitar and different musical styles inspire his musical ventures with tradition and fearless innovation. Born in 1963 to a Pakistani father and Chilean mother, Fareed's extensive travels and especially long stays in Spain, France, Iran, Pakistan, and Chile exposed Haque to different kinds of music from a very early age.



INGRID JENSEN

Ingrid Jensen, hailed as one of the most gifted trumpeters of her generation, is praised by the New York Times "as versatile as she is vigorous." A sought-after teacher, collaborator, and soloist, she performs and educates globally. Ingrid is a key member of the Blue Note recording band Artemis and continues to write for and perform with her own projects. She plays a custom Monette trumpet by Dave Monette.



IOWA WOMEN'S JAZZ ORCHESTRA

The IWJO performs across Iowa to showcase women jazz musicians and inspire future generations. Founded by trumpeter Toni LeFebvre at the University of Iowa, many members are music educators. The band aims to be visible so all students, especially girls, see a future in music and jazz.



SATURDAY

UNITED JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Every summer, this collaborative high school jazz combo comes together to prepare for their performance on the Main Stage at the Iowa City Jazz Festival. Directed by Aaron Ottmar, Ryan Arp, and Brian Zeglis, the band is comprised of students from City, Liberty, and West high schools from the Iowa City Community School District.



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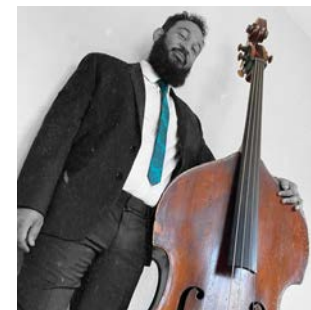
NORTH CORRIDOR ALL STARS

The North Corridor All Stars is made up of musicians from high schools along the north I-380 corridor and is under the direction of Coe College music professor, Steve Shanley. Individuals in this group have been recognized as members or alternates of the prestigious Iowa All-State Jazz Band, and all are pursuing private jazz studies.



THE BLAKE SHAW BIG(ISH) BAND

The Blake Shaw BIG(ish) Band is an action-packed, fun-ensuing, dream band lead by bassist/vocalist/educator Blake Shaw of Iowa City. Shaw writes and arranges all the music using the Duke Ellington model of exploiting all his friends' talents and strengths on their instruments. The show contains many burning solos, grooves for days, and plenty of eye candy.



EMILIANO LASANSKY

Born and raised in Iowa City and currently residing in Los Angeles, Emiliano currently maintains a busy schedule as a performer across the West Coast and beyond. In 2020 he was selected by Herbie Hancock, Ambrose Akinmusire, and Herb Alpert to join the 13th class of the Herbie Hancock Institute, completing the program in 2023.



MATT WILSON'S GOOD TROUBLE

Matt Wilson has released 13 albums as a leader, appeared on over 400 as a sideman, and played with legendary jazz names. Named 2018 Musician of the Year by the Jazz Journalists Association, his album Honey and Salt won Album of the Year. Both Honey and Salt and his previous album, Beginning of a Memory, received consecutive 5-star reviews from DownBeat magazine.



Main Stage Performers

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SATURDAY



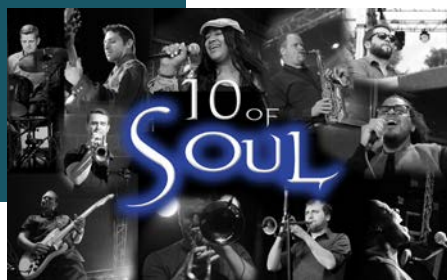
LAKECIA BENJAMIN

3x Grammy® Nominated and 2020 Downbeat Critics Poll Rising Star Alto Saxophonist, Lakecia Benjamin fuses jazz, hip hop, and soul. Her latest CD "Phoenix" garnered seven magazine covers and a New York Times Arts and Leisure Section cover. Born in Washington Heights, she began playing saxophone at Fiorello LaGuardia High School and graduated from New York's New School University jazz program.

SUNDAY

TRIO GRISMORE

Steve Grismore, Mike Towne, and Tim Crumley formed Trio Grismore as a tribute to the classic guitar and organ trios of the 1950s and '60s. Inspired by jazz guitarist Grant Green, their music also nods to great organists like John Patton, Jimmy Smith, and Larry Young, and includes elements of saxophonists Lou Donaldson and Joe Henderson.



10 OF SOUL

This Quad Cities-based funk/soul band has energized the Iowa/Illinois music scene for 12 years, headlining events and opening for acts like Morris Day and the Time and Lalah Hathaway. TOS aims to create an escape where people can dance, sing, reconnect, and forget their worries, making everyone feel like part of the TOS family by the end of the show.

Side Stage Performers

FRIDAY

THE MJ GROUP

Join The MJ Group, led by Marvin Truong and Jerome Gillespie II, on a musical journey. Jerome, a drumming sensation, has performed at The White House with the Herbie Hancock Institute of Jazz. Marvin, a rising saxophonist, crafts a unique sound inspired by renowned mentors. At the Iowa City Jazz Fest, they blend jazz classics with original compositions.



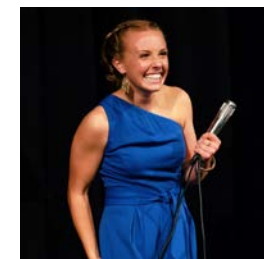
THE WAYNE PAGE QUARTET

The Wayne Page Quartet features Dr. Michael Conrad on piano, Steve Charlson on bass, and Jerome Gillespie II on drums. Inducted into the CJC Des Moines Jazz Hall of Fame in 2019, Page is active with his quartet and has backed artists like Michael McDonald, Harry Connick Jr., Sheena Easton, and the Temptations.

SATURDAY

KIERSTEN CONWAY TRIO

Jazz Vocalist and multi-instrumentalist Kiersten Conway offers an eccentric take on jazz with reinvented standards and captivating originals. In 2023, she was co-winner of the DownBeat Student Music Award for Vocal Jazz Soloist. She plans to release her own music in spring 2024 while continuing her education and performing.



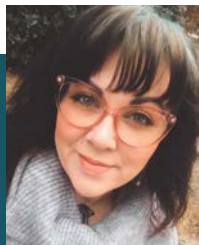
JACKSON CHURCHILL AND GOOD QUESTION

Jackson Churchill is the Band Director at Valley High School in West Des Moines and a Jazz Trombone Teaching Artist at Drake University. A finalist in multiple trombone competitions, he performs with his band, Good Question, featuring Jon Ailabouni, Mike Conrad, Steven Heffner, and Andrew Gjersvik.

Side Stage Performers

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TOBI CRAWFORD TRIO

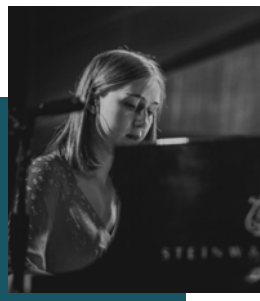
Tobi Crawford, a sought-after vocalist, pianist, arranger, and educator from Vancouver, BC, taught high school music in Canada for 10 years before leading the Fine Arts Department at Sino-Canada High School in Shanghai for five years. She recently earned a master's degree in Jazz Voice Performance from the University of North Texas, where she was a teaching fellow.

RITMO-QUINTO

James Dreier's Ritmocano project has evolved into Ritmo-Quinto, featuring original and arranged Latin jazz. Led by Dreier on congas, percussion, and drums, the group includes top Eastern Iowa musicians: Askar Khaetov on electric bass, Dr. Ryan Smith on saxophones and flute, and Dr. Steve Shanley on keyboards.



SUNDAY



REESE PIKE TRIO

The Reese Pike Trio features Reese Pike on piano, Vivian Shanley on bass, and Brian Zeglis on drums. Reese and Vivian, students at Lawrence University and co-presidents of the Jazz and Gender Equity Initiative, frequently perform together. Reese, pursuing degrees in music and Spanish, has played with the Lawrence University Jazz Ensemble and was honored to perform with Carl Allen at the university president's inauguration. Winner of the 2020 Nebraska Jazz Orchestra Young Jazz Artist Competition, she is dedicated to expanding representation in jazz.

SAM ROSS QUINTET

The Sam Ross Quintet, composed of performers, composers, and educators, features Iowa City-based tenor saxophonist Sam Ross, who is pursuing a Jazz Performance degree at the University of Iowa. Joined by saxophonist Marvin Truong and pianist Carson Parker, the group emphasizes feel, culture, and history in their mix of new and original music.



Artists & Fun Stops

- A** Hyatt Place
Downtown (SA)
- B** West Music (F-SA)
- C** Leaf Filter
- D** US Cellular
- E** Sharon & Jim's HB3
Vintage Jewelry
and Treasures LLC
- F** Josina's Supplies
- G** Carlos Maldonado Art
- H** Glassando
- I** Willustrations
- J** Faceworks
- K** Ariane Perret Art
- L** Angeline Arts
- M** KCKK
- N** Iowa City Hospice/
VNA of Johnson Co. (F)
Johnson County
Ambulance Service (SA)
- O** League of Women
Voters Johnson Co.
- P** New Harmony Line





Food Vendors

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| A Yolanda's | H Nomadic Foods |
| B Cottonwood Canyon | I Moo Moo's Ice Cream |
| C La Reyna | J Luna's |
| D Jimmy Jack's | K Masala |
| E Marco's Grilled Cheese | L Elara Pizza |
| F Marco's Gyros | M Sno Biz |
| G Chinchilla Concessions | N Get Fresh |

STAGE



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- ARTIST & FUN STOPS
- FOOD VENDORS
- PORTA POTTIES
- TRASH & RECYCLING
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