

Kennesaw State University
College of the Arts
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Junior Recital

Jack Walker,
saxophone

Saturday, April 27, 2013

8:00 p.m.

Music Building Recital Hall

One Hundred Thirty-third Concert of the 2012-2013 Season

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Spirit of Messengers

Stefano di Battista
(b. 1969)

Ceora

Lee Morgan
(1938-1972)

Airegin

Sonny Rollins
(b. 1930)

Naima

John Coltrane
(1926-1967)

Your Romance

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(b. 1969)

Jack Walker, saxophones
Brandon Austin, trumpet
Brian Reid, piano
Britton Wright, bass
Levi Cull, drums

This recital is presented in partial fulfillment of requirements for the degree
Bachelor of Music in Performance.

Mr. Walker studies saxophone with Sam Skelton.

Stefano di Battista - *Spirit of Messengers/ Your Romance*

Stefano di Battista is an Italian jazz saxophonist who first became interested in jazz when hearing the music of Art Pepper. Born in Rome, he began performing regularly around Europe in his twenties and has since released eight albums. "Spirit of Messengers" is a "rhythm changes" (has the same general chord structure as George Gershwin's "I Got Rhythm") and is off of his album entitled *A Prima Vista*. "Your Romance" is an up-beat, somewhat model tune in 6/4 and off of his self-entitled album.

Lee Morgan - *Ceora*

Lee Morgan was an American bebop and hard bop trumpeter and composer who played and recorded with many prolific jazz musicians such as Hank Mobley, John Coltrane, Freddie Hubbard, Dizzie Gillespie, and Wayne Shorter. His career began very early; at only 18 years old he began releasing albums, as well as playing on several Hank Mobley records and on John Coltrane's *Blue Trane*. Morgan's tune "Ceora," a medium-tempo latin tune, is off his album *Cornbread*, and has become a standard in jazz repertoire.

Sonny Rollins - *Airegin*

Sonny Rollins is one of the most influential and prolific jazz saxophonists and musicians of all time. He was born in New York, and from an early age played with musicians such as Miles Davis, Charlie Parker, and Thelonious Monk. It was during this time when his most well known tunes were composed, including "Airegin." (Read it backwards to find the meaning). A few years following, he took his famous musical sabbatical, in which he spent much time practicing under the Williamsburg Bridge in New York. Upon returning to the scene in 1962, he recorded his album *The Bridge* and continued recording while venturing into new styles. Rollins, age 82, still performs around the world periodically to this day.

John Coltrane - *Naima*

John Coltrane was one of the most important performers and composers in jazz during the mid-20th century. He played on and led a number of albums that have become some of the top jazz albums of all time, including *Kind of Blue* (Miles Davis), *Giant Steps*, and *A Love Supreme*, to name a few. Many of his tunes have become standards, including Naima, a ballad off of his album *Giant Steps*, recorded in 1959. The tune is named after his then-wife, Juanita Naima Grubbs.

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Saturday, May 4, 2013
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Monday, April 29, 2013
Percussion Ensemble

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