Jazz Ensembles I & II
Wes Funderburk, Conductor
Sam Skelton, Conductor

Thursday, September 19, 2019 | 8:00 PM
Dr. Bobbie Bailey & Family Performance Center, Morgan Hall
KSU Jazz Ensemble II
Wes Funderburk, Conductor

Program

BASIE, STRAIGHT AHEAD
NESTICO

SEEMS LIKE OLD TIMES
LOMBARDO / LOEB ARR. MANTOOTH

SOMEBODY LOVES ME
GERSHWIN / DESYLVA / MACDONALD ARR. WOLPE

IT DON’T MEAN A THING
ELLINGTON / MILLS ARR. NOWAK

U.F.D.
FUNDERBURK

Personnel

Reeds
Brandon Printup
Alex Barasoain
Noah Pirkle
Michael Siler
Marco Hernandez

Trombones
Austin Coker
Samuel Missner
Wes McDonald
Blue Goodman

Trumpets
Eli Rickles
Cierra Weldin
Kameron Clarke
Jalen Dobson

Rhythm
Alex Deen - Piano
Max Toomey - Drums
Asuria Austin - Bass
Brad Cannata - Bass
Rorigo Suarez - Guitar

Vocals
Sadie Llop
Auriyan Tillman
KSU Jazz Ensemble I
Sam Skelton, Conductor

Program

THE KID FROM RED BANK
NEIL HEFTI

KNARF
MIKE ABENE

I LOVES YOU PORGY
GERSHWIN / FOSTER

A SNAKE WAS ON HIS WAY TO A GIG
TOM KUBIS

A FOGGY DAY
GERSHWIN / BUBLE

THEME IN SEARCH OF A SPY MOVIE
TOM KUBIS

DANCING MEN
JOHN LA BARBARA

Personnel

Reeds
Raphael Dejesus
Jonathan Steltzer
Jimmy Snyder
Kevin Worley
Josh Inglis

Trombones
Grady Housworth
Zach Opitz
Noah Minch
Tyler Quick (Bass)

Trumpets
Steven Lukehart
Jordyn Mader
Andrew Olsen
Jason Dokes

Rhythm
Zach Wilson - Piano
Zach Smith - Drums
Fran Lora - Bass
Chris Marks - Guitar
Trey Dunnahoo - Guitar

Vocals
Melodie Fort
Ezra Troutman
Biographies

Wes Funderburk

Wes Funderburk has performed across the United States and Europe and is currently one of the most sought after trombonists and arrangers in the Southeast. He has written, performed and recorded with a wide array of national and internationally-renowned artists including: Arrested Development, John Driskell Hopkins, Jennifer Holliday, Natalie Cole, Jermaine Dupri, Cee Lo, the Boston Brass, Dallas Austin, Joe Gransden, the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, the Atlanta Pops Orchestra, the Macon Pops Orchestra as well as the Cartoon Network and the Weather Channel.

Wes’ arranging credits include music for the Joe Gransden Big Band, Russell Gunn’s Krunk Jazz Orchestra, Jennifer Holliday, John Driskell Hopkins, the Atlanta Pops, Natalie Cole, the Georgia Brass Band, Kennesaw State University Jazz Ensemble, Georgia State University Jazz Ensemble and the Piedmont Trombone Society.

Wes earned his Bachelor’s Degree in trombone performance from the University of North Florida and his Masters’ Degree in trombone performance with a concentration in jazz studies from Georgia State University. He is a former governor for the Atlanta chapter of the Recording Academy and is a performing artist for Rath trombones.

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Sam Skelton

A native of Conyers, Georgia, Sam Skelton has been active on the Atlanta music scene for well over three decades. Mr. Skelton graduated summa cum laude from Georgia State University with a degree in Jazz Studies. During his course of study at GSU, Sam was a Montgomery Music Scholar and a two-time fellowship recipient to the Aspen Music Festival. He continued his saxophone studies with Kenneth Radnofsky at Boston University in 1991 focusing on classical saxophone and music education. Other teachers include David and James “Dub” Hudson and Jeff Benedict.

Sam is currently Director of Jazz Studies and Senior Lecturer in Saxophone at Kennesaw State University. He is also Artistic Director of GSO Jazz and GYSO Jazz. Sam served as Professor of Saxophone at Georgia State University from 1991 to 2004 and was Jazz Ensemble Director at Georgia Tech from 2002-2004 and Artist-in-Residence at The University Of Georgia Jazz Department. He served as Visiting Professor of Saxophone at Furman University 2001-02. Professional associations include: The Jazz Educators Network, Georgia Music Educators Association, Georgia Association of Jazz Educators, National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences (voting member) and the American Federation of Musicians. For his contributions to the city’s cultural life, Atlanta Public Broadcasting named him a “Lexus Leader in the Arts” in 2003. Sam is proud to be a Conn-Selmer and D’Addario Artist.

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Brian Hecht, Bass Trombone
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Richard Williams, Horn

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Joseph McFadden, Double Bass
Sean Thrower, Classical Guitar
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Woodwinds
Andrew Brady, Bassoon
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Barbara Cook, Oboe
Robert Cronin, Flute
Anthony Georgeson, Bassoon
Cecilia Price, Flute
Sam Skelton, Saxophone

Todd Skitch, Flute
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Jazz
Justin Chesarek, Jazz Percussion & Combos
Wes Funderburk, Jazz Ensembles and Jazz Trombone
Karla Harris, Vocal Jazz & Combo
Tyrone Jackson, Jazz Piano & Combos
Marc Miller, Jazz Bass & Combos

Rob Opitz, Jazz Ensembles and Jazz Trumpet
Sam Skelton, Jazz Ensembles and Jazz Saxophone, Area Coordinator
Luke Weathington, Jazz Saxophone & Combos
Trey Wright, Jazz Guitar & Combos, Area Coordinator

Voice
Eileen Moremen
Oral Moses
Nathan Munson
Valerie Walters

Todd Wedge
Heather Witt
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Judy Cole, Collaborative Piano
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Huu Mai
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KSU Community & Alumni Choir
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Friday, 9/20/2019 at 8 pm

Clarinetist John Warren and Friends
Monday, 9/23/2019 at 8 pm

Wind Ensemble
Wednesday, 9/25/2019 at 8 pm

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Friday, 10/4/2019 at 8 pm

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