

# CSU JAZZ ENSEMBLE and JAZZ COMBO

## FALL 2017 AUDITION INFORMATION

- **Saxophones** – Instrumental Rehearsal Hall; Sunday, August 20, 7-9pm
  - Jazz Ensemble auditions for saxophones **will be screened**, and will consist of provided prepared etudes and sight-reading. There will also be an **OPTIONAL** improvisation element for those interested in demonstrating such skill for ensemble placement, **or for those saxophonists interested in jazz combo.**
- **Trumpets and Trombones** – Instrumental Rehearsal Hall; Sunday, August 20, 4-6pm
  - **Trumpets will audition from 4-5pm.**
  - **Trombones will audition from 5-6pm.**
  - Jazz Ensemble auditions for trumpets and trombones **will be screened**, and will consist of provided prepared etudes, scales to demonstrate range and sight-reading. There will also be an **OPTIONAL** improvisation element for those interested in demonstrating such skill for ensemble placement, **or for those brass players interested in jazz combo.**
- **Drums** – G118E (Drumset Practice Room); Sunday, August 20, 7-8:30pm
  - Audition Material
    - Demonstration of various jazz styles including swing (in “two and in “four”), bossa nova, samba, funk, rock, jazz waltz, shuffle and afro-cuban 12/8
    - Sight-reading
    - Suitable time keeping/comping for large and/or small ensembles
- **Bass** – 326B (Greenough Studio); Monday, August 21, 5-6:30pm
  - Audition Material
    - Walking bass line on F blues at a medium swing tempo
    - **NEW! The provided prepared etude!**
    - Sight-reading
    - Demonstration of bass lines and improvisation in various jazz styles (music provided at audition)
    - **Bring patch cords!**
- **Piano and Guitar** – 321A; Sunday, August 20, 4-5:30pm
  - Audition Material
    - Prepared standard or classic (student’s choice) demonstrating jazz skills
    - **NEW! The provided prepared etude!**
    - Sight-reading
    - Demonstration of comping and improvising in various jazz styles (music provided at audition)
    - **Bring patch cords! (Guitar)**

**All audition results will be posted by Tuesday morning, August 22. Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Combo I rehearsals will begin the first week of class (Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> respectively).**

**Jazz Combo II and III rehearsals will begin the second week of class.**

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