

October 20, 2009

Dear Jazz Educator:

It is my pleasure to announce that the 37th annual **Head of the Lakes Jazz Festival** will be held at the **UMD** campus on **Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010**. This Festival will be non-competitive in nature, offering positive, learning-based experiences for young jazz ensembles and many outstanding performances.

Our Saturday evening feature guest artist will be **Ingrid Jensen, with UMD Jazz I and the Head of the Lakes Jazz Festival All-Star Combo**. Born in Vancouver and raised in Nanaimo, Canada, Ingrid headed east after receiving a number of scholarships to attend the Berklee College of Music in Boston. Since graduating in 1989, her life has contained a whirlwind of musical activities. From her early days playing in the subways of New York, to establishing herself as a leader and soloist in a wide array of musical genres, Ingrid has made her mark. Her three CD's for the ENJA label and her latest CD, *At Sea*, won her nominations from the Canadian Juno Awards, including an award in 1995 for Vernal Fields. Please visit [www.ingridjensen.com](http://www.ingridjensen.com)

Also in concert on **Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, Matt Wilson and Arts and Crafts**. This quartet includes Matt Wilson playing drums, Terrell Stafford, trumpet and flugel horn, Gary Versace, keyboards and Martin Wind, bass. Please see [mattwilsonjazz.com](http://mattwilsonjazz.com) for further information on this great quartet and check out the November Jazz Times cover story featuring Matt Wilson! Also, we have VERY SPECIAL PRICING on this concert this year. There is a \$5 student ticket rate! Adults are \$19.

*\*\*\*Tickets (\$5) are very limited for **Matt Wilson and Arts and Crafts**. There are 200 tickets that will be held for jazz festival groups until Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>. These tickets must be purchased through the UMD Box Office (218-726-8877) or online at [www.tickets.umn.edu](http://www.tickets.umn.edu). **Matt Wilson tickets may not be reserved through the jazz festival office.***

**Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup> 7:30 (Kenny Werner Trio)**

**Weber Music Hall**

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*Box Office at (218) 726-8877 or online.*

*[www.tickets.umn.edu](http://www.tickets.umn.edu)*

*Ticket price of \$19/Adult & \$5/Student*

**Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 (Ingrid Jensen & UMD Jazz I and the Head of the Lakes Jazz Festival All Star Combo)**

**Marshall Performing Arts Center**

*\*\*Please mail your payment with your ensemble registration fee payment.*

The **Head of the Lakes Jazz Festival** will also include:

**Performances by UMD Jazz Ensembles**

**40 minutes of individualized time for your ensemble.** Most ensembles perform for about twenty minutes and are then critiqued by two clinicians for another twenty minutes.

**Adjudicators.** Including leading jazz educators from colleges across the country to adjudicate and clinic your ensembles and directors. Recent Adjudicators have included: Billy Taylor, Gene Aitken (UNC), Bob Kase (UWSP), Tom Matta (DePaul University), Bob Kleinschmidt (Tiffin University), John Salerno (UWGB), Terry Vermillion (St. Cloud State) and many others.

**Non-competitive atmosphere.** This positive, learning-oriented approach has become a hallmark of the Head of the Lakes Festival. No trophies or defeats, just jazz music, hard work, and fun!

**Clinics.** Numerous clinics will be given by the guest artists, UMD jazz faculty and by our adjudicators, all of whom are recognized leaders in their fields.

**Scholarships.** The chance for instrumentalists to audition for a scholarship to attend the University of Minnesota Duluth as a music major!!

**Prizes.** Performance certificates and prizes will be awarded to individuals who offer outstanding performances during the day.

Please print and complete the reservation form and return it with payment to the address below by the **February 1<sup>st</sup> deadline** so that we can hold a spot for your ensemble(s) at this year's festival.

**The fee for participants will be \$200.00 per ensemble.** We will fill performance spots on a first come, first serve basis so get your reservation form in early. Upon receipt of your registration fee, we will contact you regarding group hotel rates and other information. Please see our website for more information on hotels, forms and concerts.

**[www.d.umn.edu/music/events/festivalscamps/jazzfestival.html](http://www.d.umn.edu/music/events/festivalscamps/jazzfestival.html)**

I look forward to seeing you this year, and to hearing your ensembles perform. If you have any questions regarding the festival, please feel free to contact me at (218)726-6327, or by email at [umdjazz@d.umn.edu](mailto:umdjazz@d.umn.edu).

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