

The College of Saint Rose
Jazz Ensemble



The Empire State
Youth Jazz Ensemble

Directed by Paul Evoskevich

Sunday April 17, 2016
2:00 PM

the
MASSRY CENTER
for the Arts

Kathleen McManus Picotte Recital Hall
1002 Madison Avenue
Albany, New York

Part I: The Empire State Youth Jazz Ensemble

Prelude to Summer

Gene Thorn

Second Line

Victor L. Goines

The Nearness of You

**Hoagy Carmichael
arr. By John Clayton**

Old School

Jeff Jarvis

The Empire State Youth Jazz Ensemble

Alto Saxophones: Nijad Nashar, Tea Mottolese

Tenor Saxophones: Matthew Fox, Henry James Fernandez

Baritone Saxophone: Alex Malin

Trumpets: *Kyle Vandermark/*Doulton Mysliwec, Bryce Kelly,
Stephen Ryan, Nathaniel Einstein

Trombones: Joseph Giordano, Daniel McCarthy,
Brandon Murdie, Ian Pradhan

Drums: Quinton Cain; Piano: Brian Halliday

Guitar: Tyler Schmidt; Bass: E. Conor Graham
*Saint Rose students

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Alto Saxophones: Dan Denette, Jordan Oczkowski

Tenor Saxophones: Alan Sweet, Wayde Dazelle

Baritone Saxophone: Scott Chatfield

Trumpets: Daulton Mysliwec, Haley Duraski,
Kyle Vandermark, Kaschief Baily

Trombones: Jake Brodmerkel, Nathaniel Coleda,
Judybelle Camangyan, Jake Dietrich

Piano: Nicholas Salvatore; Guitar: Patrick Flores, Paul Reepmeyer

Bass: William Fredette, Brian Rowe; Drums: Brian Chiappinelli

Voice: Natalie Frontiero

The Empire State Youth Jazz Ensemble, a division of The Empire State Youth Orchestra, is comprised of outstanding high school jazz musicians from throughout the Albany, NY area. The ensemble was founded in 1985 by Mr. James Corigliano, and has been directed by Paul Evoskevich since 1986. Chosen by auditions in June of each year, the ensemble rehearses at The College of Saint Rose once a week throughout the school year. The opportunity to rehearse and perform with other highly motivated student musicians provides members of the ensemble with an incentive to develop their musical skills to levels not usually reached by high school musicians. The Empire State Youth Jazz Ensemble performs frequently throughout the school year. The group has performed at The Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Tanglewood, Proctor's Theatre in Schenectady, Albany's Palace Theatre, and The Troy Savings Bank Music Hall.

The College of Saint Rose Jazz Ensemble's members are chosen by audition each fall. The group performs frequently throughout the school year on and off-campus. Recent performances have included concerts at area high schools and colleges, area nightclubs, for the Saratoga Polo Association, and for the Albany Symphony. Repertoire for the ensemble is quite varied and spans the history of big band jazz from the late 1920's up to the present day. The Saint Rose Jazz Ensemble is the only college ensemble that has ever performed in the Newport Jazz Festival at the Saratoga Performing Arts Center.

Emphasis is placed on solo improvisation as well as on carefully rehearsed ensemble playing. Several professional jazz musicians from throughout the USA are brought to Saint Rose each year to rehearse and perform with the Saint Rose and Empire State Youth Jazz Ensembles. These have included Bill Watrous, Chris Vadala, Gerry Niewood, Sherrie Maricle, Frank Foster, Liesl Whittaker, Byron Stripling, Mark Vinci, Jeff Jarvis, Jim Pugh, Jim Hynes, Bob Mintzer, John Fedchock, Marvin Stamm, Rich DeRosa, Terrell Stafford, "Blue" Lou Marini, Allen Vizzutti, Dave Pietro and Bill Cunliffe.