

# **University Jazz Ensemble**

Thursday, October 12, 2023 at 7:30pm  
Eastvold Auditorium, Karen Hille Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

Pacific Lutheran University  
The College of Professional Studies and School of Music, Theatre & Dance present

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Welcome to Eastvold Auditorium.  
Please disable the audible signal on all watches and cellular phones for the duration of the concert.  
Use of cameras, recording equipment and all digital devices is not permitted in the concert hall.

### PROGRAM

- The Murphy Strut**.....**David Caffey (b. 1950)**  
Eleanor Sherry, *piano* • Sophia Ramos, *tenor sax* • Kyrsten Campbell, *alto sax*  
Connor Kaczkowski, *trumpet* • Steven Blankenship, *tenor sax*
- Lush Life**.....**Billy Strayhorn (1915-1967)**  
arr. Mike Tomaro  
Felix Halvorson, *guitar*
- Teddy the Toad** .....**Neal Hefti (1912-1977)**  
arr. Sammy Nestico  
Sarah Zundel, Cody Nutter, Sabien Kinchlow-McConnaughey, and Cassidy Stanhope, *trombones*
- Distant Dreams**.....**Cassio Vianna (b. 1976)**  
Quinn Rasmussen, *vibes* • Sabien Kinchlow-McConnaughey, *trombone* • Mitchell Huber, *alto sax*
- Cadência**.....**Juventino Maciel (1926-1993)**  
arr. Cassio Vianna  
Felix Halvorson, *guitar* • Steven Blankenship, *tenor sax* • Cassidy Stanhope, *trombone* • Aidan Hille, *baritone sax*
- Cyan Thread**.....**Jessika Smith (b. 1988)**  
Eleanor Sherry, *piano* • Mitchell Huber, *alto sax*
- Manteca**..... **Dizzy Gillespie (1917-1993), Gil Fuller (1920-1994), and Chano Pozo (1915-1948)**  
Felix Halvorson, *guitar* • Devin Bianchi-Rivera, *trumpet*

## About the Director

**Cassio Vianna** is Assistant Professor of Music and Director of Jazz Studies at PLU, where he directs the University Jazz Ensemble and teaches jazz classes and lessons. A native of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Dr. Vianna is a pianist, music educator, scholar, and an award-winning composer. His compositions and arrangements for jazz ensemble have received international recognition, including awards from the National Band Association, Jazz Education Network, Ithaca College Jazz Composition Competition, and the International Society of Jazz Arrangers and Composers (ISJAC). His works for jazz big band have been performed by artists such as Chris Potter, Ernie Watts, Martha Reeves, the United States Army Field Band (Jazz Ambassadors), and the Colorado Jazz Repertory Orchestra, among others. Dr. Vianna has been featured as a lecturer, adjudicator, and performer at festivals and conferences in the U.S., Latin America, and China. Dr. Vianna holds a Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Rio de Janeiro, a Master of Music degree from Western Oregon University, and a Doctor of Arts degree in jazz studies from the University of Northern Colorado.

## UNIVERSITY JAZZ ENSEMBLE

### Saxophones

\*Mitchell Huber  
Kyrsten Campbell  
Steven Blankenship  
Sophia Ramos  
\*Aidan Hille

### Guest Musician

Eli Lockhart, *flute*

### Trombones

\*Cassidy Stanhope  
Sabien Kinchlow-McConnaughey  
Cody Nutter  
Sarah Zundel, *bass trombone*

### Trumpets

\*Jonathan Holder  
Devin Bianchi-Rivera  
Jess Mason  
Connor Kaczkowski  
Danielle Poulin

### Rhythm Section

\*Felix Halvorson, *guitar*  
Eleanor Sherry, *piano*  
Madeline Cline, *bass*  
Molly Bliss, *bass*  
Cole Strichertz, *drums and percussion*  
Kyle Gough, *drums and percussion*  
\*Quinn Rasmussen, *vibraphone*

\*section leaders

Find out more about jazz studies at PLU at [www.plu.edu/jazz](http://www.plu.edu/jazz),  
on Facebook: Pacific Lutheran University Jazz Studies;  
and subscribe to our Youtube channel: Pacific Lutheran University Jazz Studies.

### ***Want to skip the line at the door?***

Tickets are available for purchase online with no processing fees up until the start time of each ticketed performance.  
Visit [www.plu.edu/musictickets](http://www.plu.edu/musictickets) prior to any event to purchase your tickets ahead of time.  
Simply select the event you'd like to attend and click the "Tickets" button.

# Fall Events

at Pacific Lutheran University

ALL MUSIC EVENTS ARE IN MARY BAKER RUSSELL MUSIC CENTER, LAGERQUIST CONCERT HALL UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

## SEPTEMBER

- 10 Sunday, 3pm**  
Artist Series: Erik Steighner, Saxophone, free admission
- 24 Sunday, 5pm**  
High School Woodwind Workshop Showcase, free admission

## OCTOBER

- 5 Thursday, 5:15pm**  
Andrew Kozar Trumpet Masterclass. Mary Baker Russell Music Center Room 322, free admission
- 5 Thursday, 7:30pm**  
Artist Series: Andrew Kozar, Trumpet, free admission
- 9 Monday, 5:30pm**  
Corrine Byrne Voice Masterclass. Mary Baker Russell Music Center Room 334, free admission
- 12 Thursday, 7:30pm**  
University Jazz Ensemble. Eastvold Auditorium, Karen Hille Phillips Center
- 13 Friday, 12pm**  
Orchestra Festival concert, free admission
- 15 Sunday, 3pm**  
University Wind Ensemble
- 17 Tuesday and 18 Wednesday, 7:30pm**  
Choral Concert
- 22 Sunday, 3pm**  
South Sound Saxophone Ensemble, free admission
- 24 Tuesday, 7:30pm**  
University Symphony Orchestra

## NOVEMBER

- 2 Thursday, 1:45pm**  
Covert Ensemble Saxophone Masterclass. Mary Baker Russell Music Center Room 334, free admission
- 4 Saturday, 7:30pm**  
PLU Opera Gala. Tickets: \$40 adult; \$35 senior citizen (60+), military, alumni, PLU faculty/staff (limit 2); \$25 PLU students (limit 1); \$20 children under 12
- 10 Friday, 7:30pm**  
Choral Union
- 11 Saturday, 5pm**  
Artist Series: PLU Faculty Brass Showcase
- 12 Sunday, 3pm**  
Angela Meade Vocal Competition, free admission
- 12 Sunday, 7:30pm**  
PLUtonic/Gold Rush, free admission
- 15 Wednesday, 7:30pm**  
Keyboard Students Recital, free admission
- 17 Friday, 7:30pm**  
University Jazz Ensemble. Eastvold Auditorium, Karen Hille Phillips Center
- 18 Saturday, 3pm**  
Woodwind Students Recital, free admission
- 18 Saturday, 4:30pm**  
Brass Students Recital, free admission
- 18 Saturday, 7:30pm**  
Percussion Ensemble, free admission
- 19 Sunday, 12pm**  
Artist Series: Camas Woodwind Quintet. Jennie Lee Hansen Recital Hall, free admission
- 19 Sunday, 3pm**  
University Wind Ensemble & University Concert Band
- 19 Sunday, 7:30pm**  
Guitar Orchestra & Guitar Ensemble, free admission
- 21 Tuesday, 7:30pm**  
Steel Band. Eastvold Auditorium, Karen Hille Phillips Center, free admission
- 28 Tuesday, 5:30pm**  
Saxophone Quartets & Jazz Combos. The Cave, Anderson University Center, free admission

## NOVEMBER, Cont.

- 29 Wednesday, 7:30pm**  
Piano Ensemble, free admission

## DECEMBER

### *Light, A PLU Christmas Concert*

Tickets go on sale Tuesday, November 1

Saturday, December 2, at 7:30pm - Lagerquist Concert Hall  
Sunday, December 3, at 2pm - Lagerquist Concert Hall  
Monday, December 4, at 7:30pm - Benaroya Hall, Seattle  
Saturday, December 9, at 7:30pm - Lagerquist Concert Hall  
Sunday, December 10, at 2pm - Lagerquist Concert Hall

- 3 Sunday, 7:30pm**  
PLU Ringers, free admission
- 5 Tuesday, 6pm**  
Chamber Music Kaleidoscope, free admission
- 5 Tuesday, 7:30pm**  
String Kaleidoscope, free admission
- 6 Wednesday, 7:30pm**  
Sølvvinden Flute Ensemble, free admission
- 7 Thursday, 7:30pm**  
Sounds of Christmas, featuring University Singers and Knights Chorus
- 10 Sunday, 7:30pm**  
Composers Forum. Jennie Lee Hansen Recital Hall, free admission

## JANUARY

- 6 Saturday, 5 and 6:30pm**  
Northwest High School Honor Band, free admission
- 14 Sunday, 5pm**  
PLU Honor Orchestra for Strings, free admission

### To Order Tickets:

On Line: [www.plu.edu/music/tickets](http://www.plu.edu/music/tickets)

At the Concert: Lobby Desk in Mary Baker Russell Music Center or Karen Hille Phillips Center (depending on performance location)

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*All ticket sales are final - no refunds*

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