



Waco Jazz Orchestra Presents

Autumn Serenade

October 14, 2024
7:30 pm
Ball Performing Arts Center

PROGRAM

Corner Pocket (Until I Met You) Freddie Green-Don Wols

Autumn Serenade Peter De Rose-Sammy Gallop

arranged by Bryan Kidd

Confirmed Reservations David Wild

Bob Florence Autumn

Duke Ellington-Irving Mills-Rockin' in Rhythm

Harry Carney

Intermission

Jolly Beach Annie Booth

When Sunny Gets Blue Marvin Fisher- Jack Segal, arranged

by Terry Tomlin

Port of Solace Rob Page

'Tis Autumn Henry Nemo

Performed by the WJO Combo

MacArthur Park Jimmy Webb, arranged

by Adrian Drover

NOTE: This evening's program features originals by band members David Wild (piano), Terry Tomlin (saxophone), and Rob Page (saxophone).

The Waco Jazz Orchestra began life in the spring of 1985 under the direction of Mike Jacobson (professor of saxophone at Baylor University) and Dave Hibbard (trumpeter and head of MCC's Commercial Music Department), who organized preliminary efforts by local musicians Al Newman, Tom Riggs, Nick Klaras, Ed Burleson, Joe Johnson, and others. Mike eventually found support for WJO as a Continuing Education course at Baylor.

In addition to concerts at Baylor, WJO began performing summer concerts at Indian Springs with cooperation from the City of Waco. Those first concerts in 1986 eventually led to the city's Summer Sounds concert series. When Mike left WJO in 1992 to pursue a doctorate, trumpeter Joe Johnson took over the band. The link to Baylor ended a few years later, and the band became an autonomous entity, rehearsing at Waco High School before establishing a relationship with McLennan Community College.

Trumpeters Verne Sielert and Tim Cates followed Johnson as directors. When Cates relocated to Houston in 2015, Byron Swann took over as director, followed by Noah Alvarado in 2020. WJO's concerts at MCC are a well-attended staple on the local jazz calendar. WJO has also featured guest artists over the years, starting with saxophonist Pete Christlieb, and including drummer Louis Bellson, saxophonists Chris Vadala and Chris Merz, percussionist Jerry Steinholz, trumpeter Bobby Shew and multi-instrumentalist/vocalist Gunnhild Carling.

This evening's program features several arrangements with seasonal titles. It also includes classic big band arrangements ("Rockin' in Rhythm", from the Duke Ellington Orchestra, "Corner Pocket", from Count Basie, and "MacArthur Park", a classic Maynard Ferguson feature), as well as original compositions and arrangements by band members Dave Wild, Terry Tomlin and Rob Page. The WJO Combo (Noah Alvarado, Dave Wild, Terrence Guerrero and Steve Scheifley) will also perform the jazz standard "Tis Autumn".

http://www.wacojazzorchestra.com/

WACO JAZZ ORCHESTRA

Noah Alvarado, director

SAXOPHONES/WOODWINDS—Greg Bashara, Terry Tomlin, Rob Page, Carey Kuhl, Aiden Hyatt, Ben Taylor

TRUMPETS—Charles Stern, Steve Hart, Randy Riggs, Arthur Torres, Hailee Yip. (Noah Alvarado also plays trumpet and flugelhorn)

TROMBONES—Matt Porter, Jayland Brown, Ken McLellan, Andy McLellan, Roland Huie.

RHYTHM SECTION— Dave Wild-piano, Evan Klaras-guitar, Terrence Guerrero-bass, Steve Scheifley-drums.

The WJO Steering Committee

Dr. Charles Stern, Evan Klaras, David Wild, Greg Bashara, Noah Alvarado.

WJO Program--David Wild Poster--Greg Bashara

WJO Upcoming Concerts

Monday, December 2, 2024
"Shiny Stockings!!"
Ball Performing Arts Center, 7:30 pm

Saturday, February 22, 2024
"How Swede It Is—Part Deux!!!"
with vocalist/multi-instrumentalist **Gunhild Carling**Waco Hippodrome Theatre, 7:30 pm

Monday, May 5, 2024 "Jazz de Cinco de Mayo" Ball Performing Arts Center, MCC, 7:30 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS IN VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

McLennan Community College

Oct 16	Army Band Chamber Recital	BPAC 7:00 pm
Oct 21	Faculty Collage Recital	BPAC 7:30 pm
Oct 24	Faculty Jazz	MTA 7:30 pm
Oct 29	Combined McLennan Choirs	BPAC 7:30 pm
Nov 8	McLennan Orchestra	BPAC 7:30 pm
Nov 13	Chamber Ensemble Recital	BPAC 7:30 pm
Nov 17	New Horizons Band	BPAC 1:00 pm
Nov 18	Wind Ensemble	BPAC 7:30 pm
Nov 19	Rock Bands	BPAC 7:30 pm
Nov 21	Student Jazz Ensemble	BPAC 7:30 pm
Nov 23	Contemporary Christian/Country Band	BPAC 5:00 pm
Nov 25	Guitar Ensemble/Vocal Tech	BPAC 7:30 pm
Dec 2	Waco Jazz Orchestra	BPAC 7:30 pm
Dec 3	Waco Community Band	BPAC 7:30 pm
Dec 6	Highlander Holiday (Combined Concert)	BPAC 7:30 pm