## **Incorporating Jazz Concepts in Contemporary Jazz Charts with a Dose of Duke**

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## Repertoire to be selected from:

Got Rhythm? by Doug Beach
Idiom '59, Part II from "Idiom '59" by Duke Ellington
Kinda Dukish/Rockin' in Rhythm by Duke Ellington
Pike Street Shuffle by David P. Jones

## Eau Claire Memorial Jazz Ensemble I Bruce Hering, Director

Alto Sax

Alyssa Severson

Jesse Wood

Ryan Etten

Tenor Sax

Jamie Utphall (tsax/clar)

Ryan Harp

Biz Callaghan

Bari Sax

Andy Immerman

Trumpet

Jon Alfuth

Alex Ollmann

Trevor Goldsmith

Annie Richie

Jordan Wachs

Trombone

Ben Blink Andy Hofer

John Henly

J. P. Fry

Chris Thompson (bass bone)

Piano

Ellen O'Meara

Jacob Shuda (pno/drums)

Bass

Shane McLaughlin

Brian Wells

Guitar

Mike Noyce

**Dustin Skelley** 

Drums

David Power

Ben Endres (drums/vibes)

**Eau Claire Memorial Jazz Ensemble I**, under the direction of Mr. Bruce Hering, appears here at the Midwest Clinic on behalf of Jazz at Lincoln Center. The band is excited and honored to represent JALC and to have Professor Ron Carter lead them in this workshop featuring the music of Duke Ellington and modern composers.

The jazz program at Eau Claire Memorial focuses on developing improvisation and learning the various styles of jazz. The bands perform regularly in the community and travel to numerous festivals, both competitive and noncompetitive. In addition to the rigorous concert schedule, the concert and jazz bands have performed all across the country, including Florida, Washington D.C., Chicago, the French Quarter of New Orleans, New York and Los Angeles. Memorial jazz bands have been selected the "Best Band" at numerous jazz festivals in Wisconsin, Minnesota and Illinois.

EC Memorial Jazz Ensemble I has performed with many guest artists, including: The Count Basie Orchestra, Ed Shaughnessy and the Tonight Show All-Stars, Geoff Keezer, the Art Blakey Jazz Messenger Legacy Band, Maynard Ferguson, Clark Terry, Phil Markowitz, DIVA, the United States Airforce Notables Jazz Band, several members of the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra, and Ron Carter. They have been selected 4 times as a National Finalist in the prestigious *Essentially Ellington* Competition & Festival and performed at Lincoln Center for Wynton Marsalis and the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra in New York.

EC Memorial Jazz Ensemble I is made up of mostly juniors and seniors who also participate in the concert band program. The overall band program at Memorial has over 500 students involved in concert bands, marching bands, pep bands and jazz bands. There are 6 concert bands, 5 jazz ensembles, 3 marching bands, and various small groups, all under the leadership of Eric Dasher, Dennis Luginbill and Bruce Hering. Mr. Hering has been leading the Memorial jazz program for 15 years, and conducts Jazz I, II and III. He has received numerous awards for his teaching, including the prestigious Kohl Fellowship Award, and 2 Excellence in Education Awards.



Ronald Carter, one of the most versatile and sought-after clinicians in jazz education, is Professor of Music and Coordinator of Jazz Studies at Northern Illinois University. In addition to serving ten years as jazz chairman for the Illinois Music Educators' Association, Mr. Carter has served as a guest conductor, artist, clinician, and adjudicator for numerous universities, colleges, and high schools. Among his honors and awards are Down Beat magazine's Jazz Educators' Hall of Fame, The Woody Herman Music Award, the 1991 Milken Foundation National Distinguished Educator Award, Southern Illinois University's Excellence in Teaching Award, and the St. Louis American Newspaper's Excellence in Teaching Award. Mr. Carter is an artist/clinician for Conn/Selmer, Inc. He has been involved with Jazz at Lincoln Center's Essentially Ellington program for ten years leading in-school workshops, judging entry tapes, serving as regional consultant and as the Director of the Jazz at Lincoln Center Band Director Academy.

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