JAZZ I • JAZZ II

Pete Whitman, director Guest Artist — Eli block '17, trumpet

JAZZ II

Moten Swing Benny Moten (1893–1935)

arr. Ernie Wilkins

Blue 'n Boogie Dizzy Gillespie (1917–1993),

arr. Mark Taylor

Moanin' Bobby Timmons (1935–1974)

arr. Mark Taylor

Ascending Fred Sturm (1951–2014)

St. Thomas Sonny Rollins (b. 1930)

arr. Mark Taylor

Hymn for Her Fred Sturm (1951–2014)

Higher Ground Stevie Wonder (b. 1950)

arr. Mike Tomaro

JAZZ I

Good News Bob Mintzer (b. 1953)

Fancy Pants Sammy Nestico (1924–2021)

Footprints Wayne Shorter (b. 1933)

arr. Matt Harris

But Not for Me George Gershwin (1898–1937)

arr.Bob Mintzer

Bemsha Swing Thelonious Monk (1917–1982)

arr.Bill Holman

A Gentle Piece Kenny Wheeler (1913–2014)

Some Skunk Funk Randy Brecker (b. 1945)

arr. Vince Mendoza

ABOUT THE ARTIST

Guest Artist **Eli Block '17** holds a Master of Music degree in Jazz Trumpet Performance from New England Conservatory in Boston and a Bachelor of Music degree in Trumpet Performance from St. Olaf College. He performs regularly throughout New England with groups including the BT/ALC Big Band, Silver Arrow Band, and the Henry Godfrey Jazz Orchestra. He has also performed with the Grammy-winning 8-bit Big Band. Eli is a member of the Jazz Education Network (JEN) and has performed alongside renowned artists including Ran Blake, Freddy Cole, Dave Douglas, Dave Holland, Ethan Iverson, Antonio Sánchez, George Schuller, Luciana Souza, and Miguel Zenón.

As a classical trumpeter, Eli attended the National Symphony Orchestra Summer Music Institute and Eastern Music Festival. He was a winner of the St. Olaf Senior Soloists competition and performed the third movement of the Hummel Trumpet Concerto with the St. Olaf Orchestra. During his time at St. Olaf, Eli toured Argentina, Uruguay, Cuba, Spain, France, and Italy, as well as over a dozen states across the United States.

ABOUT THE DIRECTOR

Pete Whitman is a saxophonist, flutist, clarinetist, composer, arranger and educator based in the Minneapolis/St. Paul area. He has performed with such distinguished groups as the Minnesota Orchestra, Jack McDuff, Curtis Fuller, the Woody Herman Orchestra, the Jazz MN Big Band, The Glenn Miller Orchestra, Andres Prado, Dave Stryker, The Temptations and Corey Wong.

Whitman has recorded extensively as a sideman and has three CD's under his name: *Departure Point* (Igmod Records), *The Sound of Water* (Artegra), and *Where's When* (Artegra). Two of his most recent recording projects include *Mississippi* (Shifting Paradigm Records) and *Changes We Can Believe In* by the Pete Whitman/Chris Olson Quintet (Bandcamp).

Pete Whitman has been a faculty member at St. Olaf since 2018. He frequently serves as a clinician for high school and college jazz festivals all over the US. In 2016, Whitman was a featured clinician/artist at the Jinbao International Saxophone Festival in Tianjin, China.

Whitman received his B.M and M.M. in Jazz Studies from the University of North Texas State.

JAZZ I PERSONNEL

Saxophones

Alto 1: Bobby Bellairs Alto 2: Emma Clift Tenor 1: Zach Buerger Tenor 2: Arich Fruehling Bari: Grant Beilke

Trumpets

Caleb Maeda Connor Bitterman Devonte Merrick Sam Morton Bella Marek

Trombones

Jake Dreifort Frankie Munson Gavin Groshel Vincent Cianchetti Quinn Munson

Piano

Peter Wilson

Vibes

Sophia González

Bass

Henry Specker William Selkey

Drums

Jack Schabert Mika Natal

JAZZ II PERSONNEL

Saxophones

Alto 1: Bobby Bellairs Alto 2: Mckenzie Nguyen Tenor 1: Caroline Farris Tenor 2: Noah Schilbe Bari: Hayden Joseph

Trumpets

Nathan Moon Olive Coburn Will Anderson Calvin Reyes Evelyn Miller

Trombones

Tbn 1: Andrew Noeker Rowan Wilson Roxi Wessel Tarkel Price Jacques LeMay

Piano

Joseph Durben

Bass

Max Xu

Drums

Will Christensen Aidan Fitzpatrick

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