
JAZZ I

Directed by Joseph L. Jefferson

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2025 | 7:30 P.M. | THE PAUSE

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Too Close for Comfort

Jerry Bock (1928–2010), arr. Bill Holman

Caroline Farris, *tenor sax*

Ryan Cheng, *bari sax*

Jayden Sanchez, *trumpet*

Firm Roots

Cedar Walton (1934–2013), arr. Frank Foster

Caroline Farris, *tenor sax*

Ryan Cheng, *bari sax*

Will Kroner, *trombone*

Will Christensen, *drum set*

I Didn't Know About You

Duke Ellington (1899–1974), arr. Duke Ellington and Billy Strayhorn

Cactus Blossom

Annie Booth (b. 1989)

Featuring Jenna York, *vocalist*

Emma Clift, *alto sax*

Goodly Creatures

Mike Conrad (b. 1988)

Owen Cosgrove, *piano*

Will Kroner, *trombone*

Ryan Cheng, *bari sax*

Epistrophy

Thelonious Monk (1917–1982)/Kenny Clarke (1914–1985), arr. John Fedchock

Logan Rasmussen, *trumpet*

Caroline Farris, *tenor sax*

Emma Clift, *alto sax*

When I Fall in Love

Victor Young (1900–1956)/Edward Heyman (1907–1981)

arr. Alan Baylock

Let's Get Down

Ronnie Mathews (1935–2008), arr. Melba Liston

Will Kroner, *trombone*

Logan Rasmussen, *trumpet*

Ryan Cheng, *bari sax*

Jolly Beach

Annie Booth (b. 1989)

Sophia González, *vibes*

Emma Clift, *alto sax*

Leo Barks, *bass trombone*

Owen Cosgrove, *piano*

Ryan Cheng, *bari sax*

Will Christensen, *drum set*

Samba Para Minha Avo'

Mike Tomaro (b. 1958)

Will Kroner, *trombone*

Sophia González, *vibes*

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JAZZ I PERSONNEL

VOCALIST

Jenna York '27

REEDS

Emma Clift '26, 1st alto sax

Clara Hall '28, 2nd alto sax

Caroline Farris '26, 1st tenor sax

Kiera Stanford '28, 2nd tenor sax

Ryan Cheng '29, bari sax

TROMBONES

Wyatt Menke '28, 1st trombone

Ava Clift '29, 2nd trombone

Will Kroner '27, 3rd trombone

Leo Barks '27, bass trombone

TRUMPETS

Jayden Sanchez '29, 1st trumpet

Logan Rasmussen '27, 2nd trumpet

Sam Hall '26, 3rd trumpet

Gonzalo Díaz Tavárez '28, 4th trumpet

Olive Coburn '26, 5th trumpet

RHYTHM SECTION

Owen Cosgrove '28, piano

Sophia González '26, vibes

Max Xu '26, bass

Will Christensen '26, drum set

ABOUT THE DIRECTOR

Dr. Joseph L. Jefferson serves as Associate Professor of Music and Director of Jazz Ensembles/Applied Jazz Trombone at St. Olaf College, where he works at the intersection of jazz and classical traditions. His teaching and performing reflect a deep commitment to musical excellence, collaboration, and community. A Yamaha Performing Artist, Dr. Jefferson was recognized among Yamaha's "40 Under 40" Class of 2023 and received the 2022 Ellis Marsalis, Jr. Jazz Educator of the Year Award from the Jazz Education Network. He has shared the stage with artists such as Vanessa Williams, Sean Jones, and Nick Finzer, and has appeared as a soloist with ensembles including the Marshall University and George Fox University Jazz Ensembles. His work has been featured at the International Trombone Festival and the Jazz Education Network Conference, along with international performances and teaching residencies in Bermuda, Thailand, and Brazil. A regular clinician for Jazz at Lincoln Center, Dr. Jefferson approaches both performance and teaching with a belief in music's power to connect, inspire, and transform.

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