

The Brookings Music Department

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Special Thanks

2014 Jazz Band and Fine Arts students

2014 Jazz One Students who were patient in attending lessons for 6 weeks in the
 Spring. Dan Fries, Jason Meyer, Sarah Palsche, Ben Waddy, Greg Buchanan
 and just some of the students who were patient in attending lessons.

Kate Jorgensen, Artist
 Anna Bergsma, Artist
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Brookings School District presents:



Tim Strong, Director

**78th Annual South Dakota
 Bandmasters Music In-Service**

SDSU Performing Arts Center
 Larson Memorial Concert Hall
 February 15, 2014 • 9:00 am

PROGRAM SELECTIONS

THE WOOGIE WYCLIFFE GORDON Belwin-Mills/Alfred, Medium

On the "TEACHING MUSIC THROUGH PERFORMANCE IN JAZZ" Vol. 1 Resource CD

Soloist: Marie Todey, Dan Pengra, Sam Timmerman,
Isabel Kees, Luke Stratmoen, Caleb Merritt, Sam Becker

BIRD COUNT MARIA SCHNEIDER Kendor Music/Jazz Summit Series, Advanced

One of Maria's more assessable charts for high school bands still available on Kendor. A
"raucous swing", Mingus-influenced tune set over the most simple V-IV blues form.

Soloist: Taylor Mileham, Dan Pengra, Andy Horst, Sam Becker

SEND IN THE CLOWNS SONDHEIM, arr. DAVE BARDUHN Hal Leonard Jazz Classics Series, Medium

Featuring: Marie Todey, Piano; Taylor Mileham, Vibes; Isabel Kees, Trumpet

SPAIN CHICK COREA, arr. PAUL JENNINGS Hal Leonard Jazz Ensemble Library JW Pepper Basic Library, Grade 4

Jennings arrangement is written up a half-step from the original, but with the help of our
guests we add material transcribed from Chick's Akoustic Band live recording.

Featuring Guests: Dr. Nathan Jorgensen & Dr. Aaron Ragsdale
Soloists: Allee Siver, Flute; Kiley Rath, Flugelhorn; Taylor Mileham, Vocals

GREETINGS & SALUTATIONS. . THAD JONES, arr. MIKE CARUBIA Smart Chart Music, Grade 3

Dedicated to my H.S. Band Director, Mr. Alton Burns & Dr. Frank Bencrisutto, U of M

Soloists: Nick Bien, Carson Vanduch, Sam Timmerman, Dan Pengra
Allee Siver, Flute; Braeden Barthel, Tuba
Horns: Andrew Hildebrant, Allie Kantack, Jackie Rusch, Alexi Bultman



BHS Jazz Ensemble One Student Members

Shantel Ramlo Alto	NHS, Tae-Kwon-Do Instructor, Jazz One section leader, Student Jazz Manager, Woodwind Captain, Quiz Bowl, Yearbook Editor, Fall Musical Pit, Augie Band Fest, East Central Honor Band
Andrew Horst Alto, Elec. Bass	Science Olympiad, Fall Musical, Jazz Combo, East Central Jazz Band
Shireen Delfanian ... Alto	Figure skating, BHS Play props, Thespians, Humane Society Volunteer
Caleb Merritt Tenor	NHS, One Act play, Improv Troupe, Oral Interp, Thespians
Maggie Pengra Tenor	BHS Play props
Sam Becker Bari	All State Jazz 2013, BHS Light & Sound Crew Leader, Jazz combo, Thespians, East Central Jazz Band, Midwest Ambassadors 2013 European Tour, Boy Scouts
Isabel Kees Trumpet	Dance, BHS German Club, East Central Jazz Band, Jazz Combo, All State Band 2013 alternate
Kiley Rath Trumpet	NHS, Jazz One section leader, BHS German club, BHS Art Club, Augie Band Fest, Fall Musical Pit
Luke Stratmoen Trumpet	NHS, Brkgs Hockey, Brass Captain, Wesleyan Youth group
Miranda Sampson ... Trumpet	BHS Track & Field, BHS Art Club, BHS Spanish Club, Augie Band Fest, East Central Honor Band
Dan Pengra Trombone	BHS Debate, East Central Jazz Band, Fall Musical Pit, 4-year Jazz One member, Jazz Combo leader
Sam Timmerman Trombone	BHS Debate & Oral Interp, Tae-Kwon-Do Instructor, Eagle Scout, Fall Musical Lead, Improv Troupe, East Central Jazz Band, Jazz One section leader, All State Band alternate
Derrick Elsinger Trombone	NHS, FFA, 4-H, Augie Band Fest
Conor Lanning Bass Trombone	BHS Debate & Oral Interp, One Act Play, Fall Musical, Improv Troupe, East Central Jazz band, Thespians
Marie Todey Piano	NHS, All State Band 2012, 2013, All State Orch 2012, 2013. All State Jazz 2012, 2013, Figure Skating, BHS Choir, Jazz One section leader, 4-year Jazz One member, vocal accompanist
Taylor Mileham Vibes, Vocals	All State Jazz 2013, BHS Choir, BHS Vocal Jazz, All State Choir, SD Honors Choir, Fall Musical Lead, Thespians
Nick Bien Elec. Bass, Guitar	NHS president, BHS Choir, BHS Debate, BHS Tennis, BHS Student council, Quiz Bowl, Science Olympiad, Spanish Club
Carson Vanduch Drums	All State Jazz 2012 & 2013, BHS Debate & Oral Interp, Shell Lake Jazz Camp, Thespians, East Central Jazz Band, 4-year Jazz One member, Jazz Combo, Madison Scouts 2014 member
Zachery Barthel Percussion	Brkgs Soccer, BHS Vocal Jazz drum set, Marine Corps Poolce, Fall Musical Pit



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Superintendent

On behalf of the Brookings School District, School Board, Administration and Staff, I am proud to extend a warm welcome to all attending the SDBA State Convention. This venue gives our students a wonderful opportunity to "showcase" their talents. The Brookings High School Jazz Band, under the direction of Mr. Ron. Stary has worked diligently preparing for this moment.

Our school motto is *Working Together... Educating with Excellence... Inspiring Learners for Life...* Performance opportunities such as this are excellent ways for our students to put into practice what they have worked so hard together to attain. Under the distinguished direction of Mr. Ron Stary, our students have excelled as young musicians and performers.

Once again, thank you for inviting the Brookings High School Jazz Band to perform for you at your SDBA State Convention. Please enjoy the performance from this talented group of young performers.

Roger DeGroot, Ed.D.

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South Dakota Bandmasters:

Brookings High School is honored to present the BHS Jazz Ensemble One at the 78th Annual South Dakota Bandmasters Association Conference.

While we have always had strong support for music education and performance programs in the Brookings community, we have recently been experiencing revitalization when it comes to our performance programs. Student numbers and performance levels of have increased tremendously in recent years. This musical renaissance will undoubtedly have an effect on our students, which transcends their abilities to understand and perform music.

While current accountability measures do not choose the arts as a focus for investigation, we must not lose sight of the importance music plays in the development of young minds. Brain development and music are linked in a way we are only beginning to understand. Aside from the academic benefits, music education and performance also cultivate enjoyment in the lives of those who perform—and those who listen to the performance. Thank you for all you do to bring music into the schools of South Dakota: and into the lives of your students.

We greatly appreciate the opportunity to bring Brookings High School's Jazz Ensemble One to this distinguished group of music educators.

Paul E. von Fischer
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BHS Principal

BHS Director of Bands

Mr. Ronald Stary is in his twenty-third year of teaching music. He started in South Dakota on the Cheyenne-Eagle Butte Reservation, where he met his wife Dawn. Their family includes three children; Ben, Amanda, and Adam (who played percussion & drum set at BHS) and their dog "Lenny".

Prior to his teaching post at Brookings, Stary taught for over a decade in Montevideo, MN, CGB and Cannon Falls, MN. While at MHS, the bands toured New York, Boston, Southern California, St. Louis, and Washington D.C. Under his direction, the MHS Jazz Band won several MSHSL section 12AA "best at site" contest awards, and held an annual "flood of jazz" show to sell-out crowds, hosting over 22 professional jazz artists. Every year of his tenure, MHS had students in All-State Band and superior ratings at large group festival. In 2007, the MHS marching band won their class at Alexandria Vikingland competition, the unofficial state championship in parade marching. In 2009, he started the "212 Regiment", a unique Marching band program that combined two separate school districts to compete in the Minnesota summer parade circuit.

Mr. Stary grew up in Saint Paul, Minnesota. His father was a trombonist for National Guard band in the 1950's. Stary did begin band in school, but his love for music deepen at age 12 when traveling with the St. Paul Scouts Drum & Bugle. His band director at Como Park Senior High was Mr. Alton Burns, a jazz saxophonist. Helping strengthen this young musicians music reading skills, Mr. Burns encouraged arranging for jazz ensemble.

Mr. Stary marched in the "27th Lancers", a top 10 DCI drum & bugle corps from Boston, Mass. Upon returning to the Midwest, he studied at the University of Minnesota- Minneapolis, graduating with a bachelor's degree in music education. Studied conducting under Dr. Richard Hansen and trombone privately with Mr. Steven Lund. While at the "U", he had the honor of playing in many ensembles, including the chamber orchestra & the top jazz ensemble one. Toured Scandinavia-Russia with the wind ensemble under the late Dr. Frank Bencrisutto, Director of Bands Emeritus. Mr. Stary is a member of SD Bandmasters Association.

Since 2010, The BHS band program has traveled to New York City and the Sherburne Pageant of Bands, received superior ratings each year at large group contest, and increased participation in solo/ensemble by over 60%. The marching band program has new uniforms, and placed as a top ten finalist at the Sioux Falls Festival of Bands competition two years in a row, a school record. This spring, the jazz program will hold it's 4th annual jazz show featuring both Jazz Bands 1 & 2, BHS vocal jazz groups, BHS strings along with professional guest artists Matt Patnode - saxophone, and Tim Farrell - trumpet.

Special Guest Artists

Dr. Aaron Ragsdale is Assistant Professor of Percussion and Assistant Director of Bands at South Dakota State University where he teaches applied percussion and percussion pedagogy, conducts both the Pride of the Dakotas Drum Line and SDSU Percussion Ensemble, serves as Assistant Director with the Pride of the Dakotas Marching Band, and helps direct and administrate the annual All-State Music Camp.

In addition to his duties at SDSU, Dr. Ragsdale has served as a clinician, conductor, and adjudicator for middle and high school students in South Dakota, Arkansas and Oklahoma and regularly performs at the regional and national level. In addition to his membership in the percussion section of the South Dakota Symphony Orchestra, he has appeared four times at the Percussive Arts Society International Convention (PASIC)—including the World Premiere of *Woods Walker* for marimba and electronics at the 2010 convention—and at the National Convention on Percussion Pedagogy.

A native of Fayetteville, Arkansas, Dr. Ragsdale holds a DMA from Rutgers University, a Master of Music degree from the University of Arkansas, and a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education from the University of Oklahoma. He lives in Brookings with his wife, Ashley, daughter, Olivia, and son, Harrison.

Dr. Nathan Jorgensen is Assistant Professor of Woodwinds and Jazz at South Dakota State University. He is responsible for teaching applied saxophone lessons, and directs both of the University Jazz Ensembles.

An active performer of all styles of music, Jorgensen has performed throughout the United States as a soloist and with touring groups. He also traveled to China to perform as part of the US/China Friendship Program. He won a Down Beat Music Award with the KU Saxophone Quartet in 2006, and was the soprano saxophone soloist on the title track of the KU Wind Ensemble recording *Redline Tango* available from the Naxos label. He has had the opportunity to perform engagements with the Kansas City Symphony, Boulevard Big Band, River City Jazz Orchestra, New Century Big Band, KU Symphony Orchestra, South Dakota Jazz Orchestra, New Theater Restaurant, KU Opera, Dakota Wind Ensemble, and the SDSU-Civic Symphony. Jorgensen has had the opportunity to back such artists as Bobby Watson, Paquito D'Rivera, Slide Hampton, Bob Sheppard, Dave Liebman, John Abercrombie, Victor Lewis, Marilyn Maye, Peter Erskine, and Patti Austin. Dr. Jorgensen is director of the SDSU/Brookings Optimist Jazz Festival.

The Brookings Band Program

The Brookings School District Instrumental Band program starts in 5th grade at Camelot Intermediate. 6 grade Band, 7 & 8 grade Band meet every other day at Mickelson Middle School, supported by group lessons. Band activities for grades 9 through 12 are centered around the Symphonic & Concert Band. District Bands under the instruction of Mrs. Mary Cogswell, Mrs. Cheryl Todey and Mr. Ron Stary.



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To the Bandmaster Conference:

On behalf of the Brookings School District and the Activities Department at the Brookings High School, it gives me great pride to present the Brookings Jazz I under the direction of Ron Stary. Here at Brookings High School our hope is that our activities support the academic mission of the school. They are not a diversion but rather an extension of a good educational program. In our music program the students and director have dedicated themselves to build upon the firm foundation of excellence in music through integrity, discipline and trust. Our music program consistently is giving its personal and collective best. They continue to raise the standard of each performer, maximizing the total potential of the group.

Brookings High School is humbled and honored to have our Jazz Band chosen to perform at this year's Bandmasters Conference. It will be a great opportunity for our students to perform in front of so many outstanding directors. The school district, community and former Bobcats everywhere, are very proud of the Brookings High School band program. We are excited for them to share their many talents with you today. Thank you for this opportunity to showcase our great students here in Brookings.

Sincerely,



Randy Soma
Brookings High School
Activities Administrator

The Brookings H.S. Jazz Program

The Brookings High School Jazz program is an extra-curricular extension of our complete HS band program. Jazz band does not meet during the school day, starts in November and ends May 2nd with the annual jazz show in the spring. Jazz one is by audition and Jazz two is open to all interested students. For Jazz One, rehearsals are held one afternoon, and two mornings a week. Sectionals are held by student leaders. They attend 4-5 jazz festivals a season—first time ever attending a jazz fest in January this year. Jazz at BHS is viewed as a chamber group experience for the best musicians who are expected to learn several charts & play in several styles, take risks and communicate musically. The program brings in guest artists every year for the Annual Jazz Show. The "flood of jazz" show is a unique format where jazz students are placed in the spotlight and highlighted in this season finale.