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Welcome to our final campus concert of the season featuring two award-winning jazz ensembles, the Concert Jazz Orchestra and the Studio Jazz Band. It was a busy year for “Jazz At The Beach.” Our jazz majors and participants have been busy with Jazz Forum events in the BCCM Outdoor Amphitheater, our “Jazz at the Nugget” concert series, and two combo nights, also held at the Nugget - our campus grill and gathering place. CJO started a recording project this past November that will be completed May 9 &10. This ensemble also traveled to San Diego in January to perform at the Jazz Education Network Conference with guest soloists Wayne Bergeron and Bob McChesney. On February 13th CJO performed at the Newport Beach Jazz Party with guest soloist James Morrison from Australia. Just a few days ago the CJO traveled to Colorado to perform at the University of Northern Colorado Jazz Festival. Once again, the Bob Cole Conservatory was well represented at the Downbeat Student Music Awards. We won three Outstanding Performances; Pacific Standard Time for large vocal jazz ensemble graduate college division, Anibal Seminario for Jazz Soloist in the graduate college division, and Glynis Davies in the Latin group category. Christine Guter directed the Iowa All-State Jazz Choir that won in the honors high school vocal jazz category. The CJO was named winner in the graduate college large jazz ensemble category of the Downbeat Student Music Awards for the second consecutive year! As always at our final concert of the year, we will award the K-Jazz Educator of the Year and the John Prince Memorial Scholarship Award. And to conclude our concert season, Beau and Jo France Graduate Jazz Studies Scholarship recipient Kim Davis will conduct the Jazz Lab Band in concert on Sunday, May 3rd.

Over the years, our jazz ensembles have achieved local, national, and international recognition through appearances at jazz festivals, music education conventions, and command performances. The CJO won 1st place in the college division of the 2007 and the 2009 Next Generation Jazz Festivals, which resulted in invitations to perform at the 50th and 52nd Annual Monterey Jazz Festivals. Both the CJO and SJB have won 1st place awards at the Western States Jazz Festival. Other notable invitations include performances for Jazz At Lincoln Center, Montreux Jazz Festival, North Sea Jazz Festival, Playboy Jazz Festival, Hollywood Bowl, Jazz Education Network, International Association for Jazz Education, California Music Educators Association, Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, Disneyland, Newport Beach Jazz Party, West Coast Jazz Party, and numerous performances at Los Angeles Jazz Institute events. The CJO has recorded two compact discs, the latest of which resulted in their 2014 Downbeat Student Music Award win in the graduate college division. But at the end of the day, our most satisfying activity is to perform for our friends and colleagues right here on campus. We appreciate your spending this time with us and hope you enjoy the music we have prepared for you.

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Taylor Smith—trombone, Dewey Clark—tenor sax, Jared Smith—guitar
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MAY I HAVE THIS DANCE? / George Stone
Erik Larsen—alto sax

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WHAT IS THIS THING CALLED LOVE? / arr. George Stone
Anibal Seminario—tenor sax, Kyle Schafer—piano

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Ian Holmquist—trumpet

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Alex Johnson—tenor sax
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Joanne France, for her generous gift to our program—The Beau and Jo France Graduate Jazz Studies Scholarship. This endowment provides the opportunity for a graduate student to work closely with the Director of Jazz Studies to learn the coordination of a collegiate jazz program and to serve as director of the Jazz Lab Band.

Helen Borgers, legendary on-air personality at KKJZ 88.1, longtime friend of "Jazz At The Beach", and an honorary member of the Concert Jazz Orchestra. We are honored to have her serve as the emcee for our jazz performances.

Christine Guter, Jimmy Emerzian, Ian Brekke, Dr. Ray Briggs, and our applied jazz faculty for helping our jazz students develop and maintain a high level of musicianship and professionalism.

"Jazz At The Beach" welcomes Professor Tom Blomquist and his students from the Department of Film and Electronic Arts area, who are filming our concert today.

And last but not least, the stage crew for sound reinforcement and staging.

UPCOMING "JAZZ AT THE BEACH" EVENT

Sunday, May 3, 2015:
Jazz Lab Band concert, Kim Davis, Director, Daniel Recital Hall, 4:00pm
commissioned regularly by high school, college and professional bands to compose new music.

He is the recipient of the Cuesta College Outstanding Academic Employee and Teacher of the Year award, recognizing his numerous contributions to the college, staff and students of Cuesta and the surrounding community of San Luis Obispo.

George performs regularly on trumpet and piano, with compositions and arrangements released through publishers worldwide. His latest CD entitled The Real Deal features his newest charts performed by a list of the greatest Los Angeles musicians comprising his big band. This and other recordings, as well as his most recently published charts can be found at: www.georgestonemusic.com.

ABOUT JOHN RUSH

As the director of Instrumental Music at Los Alamitos High School, John Rush leads the Jazz I, II and III bands along with string orchestra, jazz combos and he teaches music appreciation. John joined the teaching staff at Los Alamitos High School in 2002, overseeing the marching band, Jazz II, color guard, concert bands, string orchestra, and drum line programs. Since then, each of the groups has achieved award-winning and championship status, receiving superior ratings at music festivals and competitions each year.

Prior to joining the Los Alamitos staff, John taught at Vista Verde Middle School in Moreno Valley and grew the instrumental and vocal programs to award-winning status with well over 300 students involved each year. In addition, he was awarded Teacher of the Year in 1998 from the Val Verde Unified School District.

Mr. Rush is a clinician and adjudicator for marching bands, jazz bands and drum lines in the Los Angeles and Orange County areas. John grew up in the neighboring city of Cypress and graduated from California State University, Long Beach, with a degree in Music Education, after studying with the late Dr. Michael Carney in percussion and John Prince in jazz studies.

A professional drummer and percussionist himself, John has performed with several local jazz big bands, blues and rock bands, a steel-drum band with former CSULB alumni known as Island Hoppin’ and recently toured with the do-wop group The Hi-Lites in Switzerland. In 2015 he was the director of the Southern California School Band and Orchestra Association Middle School Honor Jazz Band All-Stars. Mr. Rush has shared the stage with such greats as jazz trumpeter/singer/actor Jack Sheldon, actor/musician John Stamos, saxophone greats Eric Marienthal, Bill Liston and Dan Higgins, trumpet great Wayne Bergeron, legendary trombonists Andy Martin and Alex Iles, Mike Love (Beach Boys), Jan and Dean and more.

John Rush lives in Los Alamitos with his wife, Gina, and two children, Jackie and Justin.

ABOUT GEORGE STONE

George Stone has enjoyed a rewarding career in music performance, composition, arranging and music education for over 26 years. He directs the Audio Technology Program and teaches Music Theory at Cuesta College, San Luis Obispo, CA.

Born and raised Southern CA, George was a product of the strong local music programs and teachers of the Santa Clarita Valley. He received his degrees from Cal State University Northridge where he was a member of the renowned Jazz A-Band for whom he wrote extensively. By age 21 he was leading his own Los Angeles big band and writing for live shows and television, including the NBC Tonight Show Orchestra led by Doc Severinson.

Other artists and groups with whom he has been privileged to work include Dave Grusin, Tom Scott, Jack Jones, Chris Vadala, Jeff Babko, Bobby Shew, Alan Ferber, Donny McCaslin, Dave Tull, Luis Bonilla, Maynard Ferguson, Wayne Bergeron, Bob McChesney, Larry Koonse, Ron Jones and most recently, the new Steve Wynn Showstoppers show in Las Vegas. He has composed for CBS, NBC, HBO, Warner Brothers and Disney. He is also the composer of the most famous MIDI song of all time, Trip Through the Grand Canyon (Canyon.Mid) that was released on over 66 million copies of Microsoft Windows operating systems.

George has appeared as guest composer/conductor at CSU Northridge, University of New Mexico, University of Las Vegas, University of New Hampshire, University of Kansas and the University of Texas at Arlington. He recently directed the Centrum Jazz Big Band Workshop this fall in Port Townsend, WA. He has adjudicated literally hundreds of jazz festivals throughout the United States and is