

**University of Notre Dame**  
**Collegiate Jazz Festival**  
**February 22-23, 2019**

Dear Jazz Director:

On behalf of the University of Notre Dame, we are pleased to offer you an invitation to perform at the 61st annual Collegiate Jazz Festival (CJF). CJF brings together outstanding college jazz musicians and directors to be judged by world-class jazz artists. This year's CJF will take place on Friday and Saturday, February 22-23, 2019, beginning at 7:00 p.m. EST each night.

The outstanding panel of judges for the 2019 Collegiate Jazz Festival includes:

- **Steve Turre**, trombonist on Saturday Night Live: [steveturre.com](http://steveturre.com)
- **Ralph Moore**, saxophone: [facebook.com/ralphmooresax](https://www.facebook.com/ralphmooresax)
- **Otmaro Ruiz**, piano: [otmaro.com](http://otmaro.com)
- **Robert Hurst**, bass: [roberthurst.com](http://roberthurst.com)
- **Ignacio Berroa**, drums: [ignacioberroa.com](http://ignacioberroa.com)

One of the hallmarks of Notre Dame's Collegiate Jazz Festival is its noncompetitive status, focusing on learning and not rankings. You will receive comment sheets from the judges, highlighting your group's strengths and possible areas for improvement. Each judge will award the soloists from your band whom they believe set the standard for exceptional performance and interpretation of their jazz genre.

Immediately following each band's 30 minute evening performance, one of the festival judges will give that band an individual clinic. On Saturday afternoon, the five judges will also present a wide ranging clinic where they will discuss all aspects of jazz, including topics such as improvisation, listening, practicing, and professional careers.

We look forward to having your group perform in the 61st annual Collegiate Jazz Festival. Enclosed is your application and important festival information. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Best wishes,



Larry Dwyer

CJF Faculty Advisor

Email: [ldwyer@nd.edu](mailto:ldwyer@nd.edu) Office: 574-631-4372

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**Submit this page immediately** so that we can set your group's performance time.  
*Please print clearly or type in the spaces. \*As you want it printed in the program.*

\* Ensemble Name \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Large Ensemble    \_\_\_\_\_ Combo    \_\_\_\_\_ Number of members

\* College or University \_\_\_\_\_

\* Name of Director \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Office \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Available to perform:    \_\_\_ Friday night only    \_\_\_ Saturday night only    \_\_\_ Both nights

I certify that I have read and understand the enclosed information letter. If selected to attend the Collegiate Jazz Festival (CJF) , I certify that my ensemble members are students at our school and we will perform on the day and time specified by the festival, with our availability indicated above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(signature of ensemble director)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(date)*

**Send the information on this page to:**

*Email:* [ldwyer@nd.edu](mailto:ldwyer@nd.edu) (Use subject **CJF Entry**)

*U.S. Mail:* CJF c/o Larry Dwyer  
106 Ricci Band Rehearsal Hall  
Notre Dame, IN 46556

Questions? Please contact Larry Dwyer Office: 574-631-4372 Cell: 574-315-3690  
CJF website: <http://www.ndband.com/about-the-nd-band/collegiate-jazz-festival.cfm>

Send your group's other **program information** (*next page*) now or by January 18, 2019.  
A \$100 festival fee is required, payable to **University of Notre Dame**.  
It may be submitted now or by January 18, 2019.

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**The information on this page is for the Collegiate Jazz Festival program.**

It is needed no later than **January 18, 2019**, but may be sent sooner.

You may wish to include these items as an email attachment.

**1. A one or two paragraph description of your ensemble (approximately 60 to 120 words).**

**2. A list of the student members of your ensemble and what instruments they play.**  
*(It is not necessary to list doubles for instruments.)*

**3. A high-resolution (300 dpi) black and white photo of your ensemble, approximately 5 inches wide, 3 or 4 inches high, or whatever size you have which looks best.**

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### **Technical Details**

**We will contact you in late January** to get your requirements for stage setup (chairs, stands, risers) and sound equipment.

We will have on stage high quality back line equipment which you are welcome to use: grand piano, drum set, string bass, electric bass, bass amp, guitar amp.

Let us know if you will need other items, such as vibes, congas, etc.

The Friday and Saturday evening performances are in Washington Hall, a beautiful facility in the middle of Notre Dame's campus, with a capacity of about 600 people and excellent acoustics.