Jazz Combo Auditions for WTR 2020

Combos meet at 11:00am each Thursday and rehearse one hour with a faculty coach and one hour as a group, with times TBD, each week of the term.

Coaches this quarter: Chris Bruya, Vijay Singh, Stephen Pickard (jazz TA).

Jazz Combo auditions will be on

Thursday, January 9th, 11:00am, in the Jazz Room

If you are interested in playing in a jazz combo, show up with your instrument during this time and be ready to play in a combo setting (i.e. together with other players, sort of like a jam session) the following tune:

Take The A Train

A lead sheet is attached (+ transpositions), a link to a play-along track is here: https://www.learnjazzstandards.com/jazz-standards/take-the-a-train-2/

There are many examples on youtube, learnjazzstandards.com, etc.

EVERYONE must audition, even those that have played previously in a combo.

The format is the same as past auditions, i.e. you will be expected to perform three skills on the chosen tune:

- improvise on the changes
- play the head, (drummers will sing it) with your interpretation (proper bebop phrasing)
- outline the chord changes in arpeggio-like fashion, in time (drummers will sing roots)

go here for info: http://www.cwu.edu/music/jazz-band-combo-auditions

JEN travelers will need to audition PRIOR to leaving for JEN.