

# JAZZ NEWS FROM CENTRAL

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See our jazz brochure here!

<http://www.cwu.edu/~music/ensembles/jazz/CWUjazzBrochure06.pdf>

## VOCAL JAZZ 1 SELECTED TO PERFORM AT NW-MENC

We are proud to announce that CWU Vocal Jazz 1 will perform on a concert hour at the NW-MENC Conference in Spokane next February. We hope to see all of our alums and friends in Spokane on Sunday, February 15, 6:30pm at the gig!

## JAZZ BAND I CD RELEASED ON SEA BREEZE RECORDS: GET YOUR COPY NOW!

The Jazz Band I CD recorded in May/June '07 is now released on Sea Breeze records. "In A Mellow Tone" includes the Frank Foster chart, plus tunes by Mingus, arrangements by Mike Crotty, Bill Holman and Maria Schneider. We also put a couple of cuts of our outstanding combo from 07-08. All the artwork is by CWU graphic design Stephanie Collins, who sings in Vocal Jazz 1. Get your copy by going to either URL below. We are hearing that the CD is getting airplay on KMHD (Portland) and KEWU (Spokane)! CWU Alum Paul Harshman (Shorewood HS) says "It's killin'!"

[http://www.seabreezejazz.com/onesheet.cfm?CatID=SEAB\\_4586](http://www.seabreezejazz.com/onesheet.cfm?CatID=SEAB_4586)

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## MOAWAD INVITATIONAL JAZZ FESTIVAL IN JANUARY

January 30, 2009 will be the annual CWU Jazz Festival, named after CWU emeritus prof and mentor John Moawad. Our change to a one-day event has produced a completely full schedule (with a waiting list) that includes 30 school ensembles and 6 CWU groups. Our guest artist this year is Stan Bock, a fantastic trombonist from Portland. Our clinician/adjudicators this year are Susie Jones, Dave Barduhn, Paul Harshman, Garey Williams, Mike Mines, and Norm Wallen.

## GUEST CLINICIAN PROGRAM CONTINUES

Continuing our program of jazz clinics on campus, we have hosted these jazz musicians from the Northwest and beyond for a series of clinics and workshops. Many of these events are made possible by the generous contributions of *Jazz In The Valley*, our local summer jazz festival.

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| October 9 | Eric Alexander Quartet (NYC) made possible by the Seasons Fall Festival (Yakima) |
| Nov 20    | Yerba Buena (NYC) made possible by CWU Diversity Center                          |
| Nov 21    | Garey Williams drum clinics  |
| Dec 6     | Ecstasy In Numbers jazz fusion trio  |
- more scheduled for Winter: Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> Jon Hamer Trio with Kelly Ash (vocals)

## JAZZ BAND 1 STAYS BUSY THIS FALL AND WINTER

We've seen many of you at our performances around the state this fall (Edmonds Jazz Symposium – Oct), EWU Jazz Dialogue – Nov), Seattle Center – Dec) and we hope to see you at our regional *Jazz Nutcracker* performances (Wenatchee Performing Arts Center Dec 11, Yakima Seasons Concert Hall Dec 12, CWU Dec 13-14). A new twist to the Nutcracker this year is the inclusion of our Chamber Orchestra doing the "real" movements back-to-back with the Ellington/Strayhorn versions. Also look for the band in winter at these events: *Pasco Jazz Invite @ Hanford HS* Jan 15, *Wenatchee Jazz Festival* Jan 16 and the CWU Band Festival Mar 5-7.

### ALUMNI CORNER

Jake Bergevin (Edmonds-Woodway HS) released a CD last spring that is really hitting now. Check it out on [myspace.com](http://myspace.com).

<http://www.myspace.com/jakebergevin>

Do you have some news to share?  
Email Chris Bruya with yours.

### WHAT HAVE VIJAY AND CHRIS BEEN DOING?

**Vijay Singh** was guest artist for a week at the *Steve Zegree's Jazz Camp* at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, MI, last summer (with Michele Weir, another CWU alum) and headlined at the summer ACDA workshops in Colorado, Minnesota, and Oregon. Future events for winter 2009 include conducting All-State choirs in Oregon and Minnesota.

**Chris Bruya** directed the *Washington Ambassadors of Music Jazz Band* on a tour of Europe this past July, and will do so again in July 2010. The day after returning from Europe he directed the *Jazz In The Valley Big Band* (all CWU alums this year) with guest artists Ingrid Jensen and Jon Wikan. He also appeared as clinician and guest artist at the *EWU Jazz Dialogue* in November and will adjudicate a number of festivals throughout the region this coming spring.