

FORBES CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY®

School of Music

presents

**Albemarle High School Jazz
Ensemble**

Andrew LaPrade, *director*

JMU Jazz Ensemble
Chuck Dotas, *director*

Tuesday, April 29, 2025
7:30 pm
Concert Hall



There will be one 15-minute intermission.

Program

Albemarle High School Jazz Ensemble

Cheeks

John Daversa

Taylor Treece, *piano*
Adam Kester, *bass*
Eric Chen, *alto sax*
Hares Ragub, *drums*

Happy Go Lucky Local

Duke Ellington

Sean Fu, *alto sax*
Ian Traub, *piano*
Adam Kester, *bass*
Laveen Hiranandani, *tenor sax*

Love Me or Leave Me

arr. Nelson Riddle

Sophie Elvgren, *voice*
Sean Fu, *alto sax*
Alex Mayhood, *tenor sax*

St. Louis Blues

W. C. Handy
arr. Sam Crittenden

Sophie Elvgren, *vocals*
JMU Jazz Ensemble AHS Alumni:
David Barredo, *tenor sax*
Owen Brown, *trumpet*
Chris Atkinson, *trumpet*

Dance You Monster to My Soft Song

Maria Schneider

Adam Kester, *bass*
Sean Fu, *alto sax*
Taylor Treece, *piano*
Laveen Hiranandani, *tenor sax*
Ila Goodrich, *trumpet*

15-Minute Intermission

Program - continued

JMU Jazz Ensemble

Backbone

Thad Jones

Ryan Leith, *piano*
Gabriel Cabellero, *trombone*
Bradley Fuller, *trombone*
Henry Taylor, *tuba*

Birdlike

Freddie Hubbard
arr. David Caffey

Sam Loeffler, *trumpet*
Sammy Nelson, *tenor sax*
Ben Scott, *guitar*

Blue Skies

Irving Berlin
arr. Paul Weston

Iris Leffler, *voice*

Onda Estranha

Grayson Creekmore

Alexander Lau, *bari sax*
Benji Loeffler, *alto sax*

Chromazone

Mike Stern
arr. Tim Clarke

Evan Bertoglio, *tenor sax*
Ben Scott, *guitar*

Comfortably Numb

David Gilmour
arr. Chuck Dotas

Iris Leffler, *voice*
Ginny Bruno, *voice*

Fifty Shades of Clay

Jim White
arr. Drew Zaremba

David Barredo, *tenor sax*
Adam Army, *alto sax*
Ethan Walker, *drums*
Owen Brown, *drums*

Albemarle HS Jazz Ensemble Personnel

Woodwinds

Arushi Gautam, *flute*
 Eric Chen, *alto sax*
 Sean Fu, *alto sax*
 Zoe Maruna, *alto sax*
 Lydia Walters, *alto sax*
 Mary Washington, *alto sax*
 Carter Earles, *tenor sax*
 Laveen Hiranandani, *tenor sax*
 Alex Mayhood, *tenor sax*
 Nate Paul, *tenor sax*
 Bert Spitzner, *bari sax*
 Samy ElHachimi, *bari sax*

Trumpets

True Conner
 Benji Fitzgerald
 Vivian Gibel
 Ila Goodrich
 Jenna Herald
 Daschel Lurie
 Thomas Newton
 Charlie Stiffler
 Cooper Pritchard

Rhythm Section

Taylor Treece, *piano*
 Ian Traub, *piano*
 Jacob Miller, *guitar*
 James Fugal, *bass*
 Adam Kester, *bass*
 Isaac Jennings, *drums*
 Luke Kronebush, *drums*
 Hares Ragub, *drums*

Vocals

Sophie Elvgren

Trombone

Anna Camden
 Izzie Doroh
 Asher Keller
 Lily Hines, *bass trombone*

The Albemarle High School Jazz Ensemble is under the direction of Andrew LaPrade and based in Charlottesville, VA. With approximately 20 performances each year, the band has a long standing tradition of fostering a sense of community both within the school and within the jazz scene in the Charlottesville area. Each spring, the band raises \$5,000 for a Central Virginia non-profit at their annual Swing Into Spring concert which features some of the region's best professional musicians. The AHS Jazz Ensemble has a long history of success, most recently placing 2nd at the 2025 National Jazz Festival in Philadelphia. Other honors include a being selected as a featured performance ensemble at the 2021 VMEA Conference, a 3-time national finalist at the Savannah Swing Central Competition, multi-time winner of the Essentially Ellington Regional Competition, and multi-time winner and finalist at the Chantilly Jazz Festival. The band was directed by Greg Thomas from 1993-2019.

JMU Jazz Ensemble Personnel

Woodwinds

Ian Graff, *flute*
 Benji Loeffler, *alto sax*
 Adam Army, *alto, sop sax/clar*
 Evan Bertoglio, *tenor sax*
 David Barredo, *tenor, sop sax*
 Sammy Nelson, *tenor sax*
 Alexander Lau, *bari sax*

Trumpets

Owen Brown
 Chris Atkinson
 Ryan Johnson
 Sam Loeffler

Trombones

Gabe Cabellero
 Teague Jenkins
 Nikhil Argade
 Levi Markle
 Bradley Fuller
 Henry Taylor, *bass/tuba*

Rhythm Section

Ryan Leith, *piano/synth*
 Luke Jacobson, *keyboard*
 Ben Scott, *guitar*
 Jacob Minks, *bass*
 Ethan Walker, *drums*
 Grayson Creekmore, *drums/percussion*

Vocals

Iris Leffler
 Ginny Bruno