Cal Poly ‘Just Jazz’ Concert Set for Feb. 21

SAN LUIS OBISPO -- The Cal Poly jazz ensembles will present a young, fresh approach to one of America's great art forms – jazz – at 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21, in Harman Hall at the Performing Arts Center at Cal Poly.

Two big bands and two combos will demonstrate how jazz is being reinvigorated by the next generation, according to Paul Rinzler, director of jazz studies at Cal Poly. With four trumpets, four trombones, five saxophones, and a rhythm section, the big bands produce a "wall of sound" that is typical of big bands.

The University Jazz Band #1 will perform the hip-hop big band composition "Grass is Greener," the jazz classic "Cherokee," as recorded by jazz vocalist Sarah Vaughan, and the modern, rhythmically complex composition "Guten Tag, Zigaretten?"

The University Jazz Band #2 will feature two jazz standards as recorded by Frank Sinatra, "I Get a Kick Out of You" and "Only Have Eyes for You."

Tickets for the concert are $12 and $15 for the public, $10 and $13 for senior citizens and Jazz Federation members, and $6 and $10 for students. They are on sale at the Performing Arts Ticket Office from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. To order by phone, call SLO-ARTS (756-2787).

Patrons who buy season tickets to four Music Department events through the Performing Arts Ticket office will receive a 10 percent discount; a 15 percent discount is given to those who buy tickets to five or more events.

The concert is sponsored by Cal Poly's Music Department, College of Liberal Arts and Instructionally Related Activities program. For more information, call the Music Department at 756-2406.

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