

# HIGHLAND/ASU JAZZ FESTIVAL

## MASTER CLASS SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2024

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

### JAM SESSION – HOSTED BY HIGHLAND JAZZ

*Presented by:* Jazz Band Black

**SPONSORED BY:** HIGHLAND HIGH SCHOOL BANDS

*Location:* Outside Lunch Area

**4:15 – 5:00 PM**

**GUEST ARTISTS CONCERT - AUDITORIUM**

**ASU ALUMNI JAZZTET**

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT [WWW.HIGHLANDJAZZ.COM](http://WWW.HIGHLANDJAZZ.COM)

5:15 – 6:15 PM

### RHYTHM SECTION PERFORMANCE GOALS:

#### HOW TO PLAY TOGETHER AND SUPPORT THE ENSEMBLE

*Presented by:* Russell Schmidt – Valley Jazz Cooperative

**SPONSORED BY:** ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

*Location:* Band Room

*In this dynamic session, Valley Jazz Cooperative Director Russell Schmidt will examine skills and techniques commonly used by successful and effective rhythm sections. Areas of focus will include developing foundational skills, understanding rhythm section roles, learning to groove together, building communication and interaction, and recognizing performance practices of various jazz styles. Don't miss this unique opportunity to develop the skills that lead to excellence in rhythm section performance.*

### TRANSCRIPTION: HOW TO GET STARTED!

*Presented by:* Adam Roberts – Chandler-Gilbert Community College

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*Location:* Choir Room

*In this masterclass, students will learn useful tips for transcribing by ear and what to do with them once they're completed. The students will also get to do a live transcription process with the instructor and get hands-on experience applying materials from a transcription to live performance.*

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HIGHLAND ASU JAZZ FESTIVAL

# HIGHLAND/ASU JAZZ FESTIVAL

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THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 2024

11:00 – 12:30 PM

### **JAM SESSION – HOSTED BY HIGHLAND JAZZ**

*Presented by:* Jazz Band Black

**SPONSORED BY: HIGHLAND HIGH SCHOOL BANDS**

*Location: Outside Lunch Area*

**4:15 – 5:00 PM**

**GUEST ARTISTS CONCERT - AUDITORIUM**  
**HIGHLAND JAZZ BLACK, CLINICIAN ALL-STAR COMBO**  
TICKETS AVAILABLE AT [WWW.HIGHLANDJAZZ.COM](http://WWW.HIGHLANDJAZZ.COM)

5:15 – 6:15 PM

### **LEARN JAZZ IMPROVISATION AND STYLE BY LEARNING TUNES!**

*Presented by:* Dr. Clark Gibson – The Nash

**SPONSORED BY: ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY**

***Location: Band Room***

*Unlock jazz improvisation secrets with Dr. Clark Gibson's clinic. Explore jazz standards, dissect melodies, chords, rhythms and study the interpretations of the masters of the artform. In the process, you'll discover spontaneous musical expression within timeless compositions and cultivate improvisational prowess through repertoire-based learning. You'll find that learning tunes takes you to heart of what jazz is all about.*

### **BLUES**

*Presented by:* Dr. Jeff Libman – Arizona State University

**SPONSORED BY: ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY**

***Location: Choir Room***

*This clinic will address several different variants of the jazz blues, including blues tunes you need to know! We will address strategies for improvising over different sorts of blues. Make the changes, play with confidence, and play soulfully!.*