



Carlos Melendez was born in San Juan, Puerto Rico and started playing guitar at the age of 10, inspired by the sounds of R & B greats Ray Charles, Rafael Cortijo, James Brown, and the classical guitar of Andrew Segovia. At 12, he was learning the “essential Blues” licks and phrases from the vinyl recordings of the late Mike Bloomfield, Eric Clapton, and the great B.B. King. At 15, he studied classical guitar with guitarist and teacher Daniel Morrison for 3 years.

Following his studies, Carlos started shifting into jazz guitar and went to work professionally in the recording studio. After studying composition with maestro Robert Milano Di Mattia, he taught guitar at the Puerto Rico Conservatory of Music’s Jazz Department. He has shared the stage with artists such as virtuoso flutist Artie Webb, jazz pianist Paul Neves, keyboardist Mark Gray, Joe Feliciano, sax legend Sonny Fortune, and guitarist John Scofield. He has toured the United States with legendary flutist Herbie Mann, the Drifters, Danny and the Groove, pianist and composer Franky Suarez, saxophonist David Sanchez, jazz bassist Eddie Gomez, Mark Kramer, and others. Carlos is currently a jazz instructor at Alma College.

FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY MUSIC CENTER

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# JAZZ BAND FALL CONCERT

Matt Moresi, Director



Thursday, November 6, 2014

8:00 pm

Williams Auditorium

free admission

## Jazz Program

*All of Me* ..... by Marks/Simon  
arranged by Bill Byers  
Solo: Doug Reed

*Not My Problem* ..... by Mike Dana  
Solos: Riley Flagler, Sean Herp, Jake Kileszewski,  
Scott Matlock, Americo Tucci, Kurt Melville, Chris Buse

*Yesterdays* ..... by Harbach/Kern  
arranged by Michael Philip Mossman  
Solos: Justin Leak, Riley Flagler

*Max Blues* ..... by Mike Dana  
Solos: Americo Tucci, Jake Kileszewski, Scott Matlock,  
Sean Herp, Amir Jairazbhoy, Riley Flagler

*Vaca Frita* ..... by Doug Leibinger  
Solos: Sean Herp, Riley Flagler, Carlos Melendez

*A Night in Tunisia* ..... by Dizzy Gillespie  
transcribed by David Berger  
Solos: Sean Herp, Americo Tucci, Carlos Melendez

*Naima* ..... by John Coltrane  
arranged by Craig Skeffington  
Solos: Carlos Melendez, Amir Jairazbhoy

*Cut to the Chase* ..... by David Metzger  
Solo: Carlos Melendez

## FSU Jazz Band

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### Woodwinds

Alli Brandt – Flute  
Riley Flagler – Alto Sax  
Americo Tucci – Alto Sax  
Antonio Siciliano – Alto Sax  
Amir Jairazbhoy – Tenor Sax  
Scott Matlock – Tenor Sax  
Ben Shivers – Bari Sax  
Megan Carpenter – Bari sax

### Trombones

Sean Herp  
Colin Giles  
Ryan Weaver  
Scott Whitney

### Trumpets

Kurt Melville  
Justin Leak  
Brittany Lynn  
Mike Williams  
Megan Yuhasz-Pratt  
Katie Okerhjelm

### Rhythm

Jake Kileszewski – Guitar  
Devin Vargo – Guitar  
Nick Sawicki – Vibraphone  
Doug Reed – Piano  
Jen Leitner – Bass  
Phil Hartley – Drums/Percussion  
Chris Buse – Drums/Percussion

