



I am Megan YuhaszPratt and I am a proud member of several Ferris State University music groups. I have played trumpet in the Jazz Band and Pep Band since 2011, and in the fall of 2012 I became Pep Band Associate Conductor. This fall I will have the opportunity to be the Head Student Conductor! I have also been an active member in Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Band Fraternity for three years.

These groups are all quite amazing, and they provide an incredible sense of community. Being a part of these groups has been challenging, but I have loved every moment of it. From organizing the Halloween parade to cleaning up music stands after rehearsal, I am always there to lend a helping hand to the band programs.

I am a brittle type one diabetic. I have always had issues controlling my blood sugar, and I have tried many things to control it. Over the years I have become desensitized to high blood sugar during the day and low blood sugar at night. I am in the process of fundraising for a DAD (Diabetic Alert Dog). This service dog is able to smell when my blood sugar is out of the proper range, and let me know before I get into trouble. Having this dog will allow me to finally become independent and greatly improve my quality of life. To read more of my story, please follow this link or QR code to my website. Please share on Facebook to spread the word!

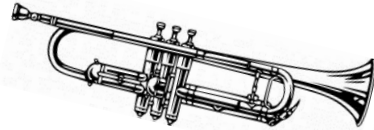


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FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY MUSIC CENTER

presents

Jazz Band Winter Concert



Matt Moresi, director

*featuring
guest artist*

*Dr. John Adler
U. of Northern Colorado*



Wednesday, March 5, 2014

8:00 pm

Williams Auditorium

****free admission****

Jazz Program

Tuxedo Junction.by Ernest Hawkins, Buddy Faine, William Johnson
and Julian Dash, arranged by Tim Clark

Solos: Sam Whittaker, Riley Flagler, Jake Kileszewski

Bridge Over Troubled Water.by Paul Simon, arr. by Allan Baylock

Opus de Funk.by Horace Silver, arr. by Victor Lopez

Solos: Doug Reed, Amir Jairazbhoy, Riley Flagler, John Adler

Party Timeby Bob Mintzer

Solos: Eric Watson, John Adler

Liftby Matt Moresi

Solo: John Adler

Big Dipperby Thad Jones

Solos: Doug Reed, Robbie Hickson, Jake Kileszewski,

Eric Watson, Riley Flagler, John Adler

Celtic Aireby Fred Sturm

Solos: Sam Whittaker, Amir Jairazbhoy, John Adler, Eric Watson

FSU Jazz Band

Matt Moresi, Director

Woodwinds

Alexandra Ortiz – Flute

Sam Whittaker – Alto Sax

Riley Flagler – Alto Sax

Alex Finta – Alto Sax

Eric Watson – Tenor Sax

Amir Jairazbhoy – Tenor Sax

Andrea Harthorn – Bari Sax

Rhythm

Jake Kilszewski – Guitar

Doug Reed – Piano

Jen Leitner – Bass

Phil Hartley – Drum Set

Trumpets

Kurt Melville

Robbie Hickson

Brittany Lynn

Megan YuhaszPratt

Katie Okerhjelm

Trombones

Logan England

Preston Taylor

Scott Whitney



A native of Reno, Nevada, John Adler joined the faculty at the University of Northern Colorado in 2010, coming from Virginia Tech where he taught trumpet and jazz studies for four years. Dr. Adler's D.M.A. in trumpet performance was completed at the University of Miami, where he studied with former principal trumpet of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra Craig Morris.

Dr. Adler has a diverse performance resume and is in demand as a soloist/educator all across the country. In the spring of 2010, John was featured soloist with the New River Valley Symphony Orchestra, the Manchester Symphony Orchestra, and performed guest recitals at the Ohio State University, Western Michigan University, Bowling Green State University, and Grand Valley State University. His first solo CD "Confronting Inertia" was released on Origin Classical in October 2009. The CD includes six new classical works by jazz composers commissioned for the project.

Dr. Adler has performed with the Reno Philharmonic, the symphony orchestras of Eugene, Miami, and Roanoke, the Kandinsky Trio, the Palm Beach Pops, and many other classical ensembles. He has shared the stage with numerous jazz greats including John Hollenbeck, Maria Schneider, Bobby Shew, and Conrad Herwig, and has played lead trumpet in the Jaco Pastorius Big Band, the Denis Noday Big Band, the Reno Jazz Orchestra, and the Grammy Award Winning University of Miami Concert Jazz Band. He is a founding member of the jazz chamber group Seven Minus.