



Rob Smith, Associate Professor of Music-Jazz Studies at Central Michigan University, graduated from Central Michigan University in 1986. He earned a master of music in jazz studies degree from The University of North Texas (1989), where he performed in the world-renowned One O'clock Lab Band (1986-89) and can be heard on recordings ('87, '88, '89). Most recently, Smith held a faculty position at The University of North Carolina-Greensboro, the Miles Davis Jazz Studies Program (2004-05). He has also taught at St. Francis Xavier University in Nova Scotia, Canada (1991-93, 1997-98), Michigan State University (1994-97), Mott Community College (1995-97), Interlochen Arts Academy (2000) and Interlochen Jazz Camp (2010), and Central Michigan University (2000-2004).

Smith performs regularly on trumpet and saxophones as a freelance artist and has performed and recorded with several notable groups including: The Woody Herman Jazz Orchestra (worldwide concert tours), The Kirk MacDonald Quintet and the Kirk MacDonald Jazz Orchestra (Toronto), and The Steve Haines Quintet (New York). In 2005 he toured with Terri Lyne Carrington, James Genus, Paul Bollenbeck, Munyungo Jackson, Mitch Forman, Nancy Wilson and Dianne Reeves in a tribute to Billie Holiday. The group performed concerts at USC, UCLA, Penn State University, Byham Theater-Pittsburgh, Chicago Symphony Hall, Carnegie Hall and The Kennedy Center. Smith has performed several times with legendary jazz drummer Jimmy Cobb and can be heard with him on "[Stickadiboom-The Steve Haines Quintet featuring Jimmy Cobb](#)" (ZOHO Music-2008). He has also recorded with: The Woody Herman Jazz Orchestra-"[Live at Ronnie Scott's in London](#)" (NYJAM-1999), The Larry Nozero Quintet-"[Live at the Montreaux-Detroit Jazz Festival](#)" (2000), The Kirk MacDonald Septet-"[New Beginnings](#)" (Radioland Music-1999), The Steve Haines Quintet-"[Beginner's Mind](#)" (Artist House Records-2004), The Maritime Jazz Orchestra featuring Kenny Wheeler-"[Now and Now Again](#)" (Justin Time-1998), The Terry Lower Quintet-"[Step By Step](#)" (2005), The Jim Cooper Quintet-"[Itchin' To Groove](#)" (2004), as well as several recordings with his quartet, Mind's Eye. Most recently, Smith performed and recorded with the Kirk MacDonald Jazz Orchestra in Toronto (2010), and has recorded two cd's of his own compositions with the Central Michigan University Faculty Jazz Sextet entitled, "[Caught In The Act](#)" (White Pine Music-2007) and "[Conspiracy Theory](#)" (White Pine Music-2010). Smith has performed in concerts with many notable jazz artists, including: Rufus Reid, Randy Brecker, David Liebman, Bob Berg, Adam Nussbaum, Joe Morello, Frank Tiberi, Cyrus Chestnut, Buddy DeFranco, Marcus Belgrave, George Benson, Phil Markowitz, Phil Woods, Rodney Whitaker, Mulgrew Miller, Kareem Riggins, Jon Faddis, Frank Foster, Jerry Fuller, Ira Sullivan, Neil Swainson, Pat LaBarbara, Lorne Lofsky, Kenny Wheeler, John Taylor, Xavier Davis, Charles Earland, Jimmy Smith, Jack McDuff, and many others. He has performed at concert venues and jazz festivals in England, Scotland, Norway, Finland, Sweden, Denmark, Germany, Turkey, Italy, France, Spain, Canada and the United States.

FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY MUSIC CENTER

presents

JAZZ BAND

WINTER CONCERT

Matt Moresi, director
Rob Smith, guest artist

WEDNESDAY

MARCH 1, 2017

8:00 PM

UNIVERSITY CENTER A AND B

Jazz Program

What Am I Here For? Duke Ellington, arr. Mike Tomaro
Solos: Ryan Weaver, Hiroshi Shimko

My Little Suede Shoes Charlie Parker, arr. Mark Taylor
Solos: Riley Flagler, Anna Adrianse

*Five Foot Two, Eyes of Blue/
Darktown Strutters' Ball* Ray Henderson, Shelton Brooks
FSU Jazz Rhythm Section and Rob Smith

A Long Time Ago Bob Mintzer
Soloist: Rob Smith

Street Music Fred Sturm
Solos: George Selleke, Andrew Kapanowski, Scott Matlock,
Anna Adrianse, Phil Milligan, Rob Smith

Guess Who? Jesse Belvin, JoAnne Belvin
FSU Jazz Rhythm Section and Rob Smith

53rd Street Slide Mike Dana
Solos: Scott Matlock, Andre Buclay, Ryan Weaver,
Riley Flagler, Cameron Bourlier, Chelsea Miller,
Scott Whitney, Jake Kiliszewski

Count Bubba Gordon Goodwin, arr. Paul Murtha
Solos: Anna Adrianse, Cameron Bourlier, Rob Smith

FSU Jazz Band

Matt Moresi, Director

Guest Artist: Rob Smith, Trumpet and Saxophone

Saxophones

Riley Flagler – Alto
Cameron Bourlier – Alto
George Selleke - Tenor
Scott Matlock– Tenor
Ben Shrivvers - Bari

Trumpets

Justin Leak
Anna Adrianse
Mike Williams
Chelsea Miller
Andre Buclay

Trombones

Ryan Weaver
Chance Galvin
Jonathan Prins
Scott Whitney
Brandon Young

Rhythm

Jake Kiliszewski – Guitar
Devin Vargo – Guitar
Andrew Kapanowski – Piano/Percussion
Hiroshi Shimko – Piano/ Vibraphone
Zach Kidder – Bass
Devyn Miller – Drums/Percussion
Phil Milligan – Drums/ Percussion

