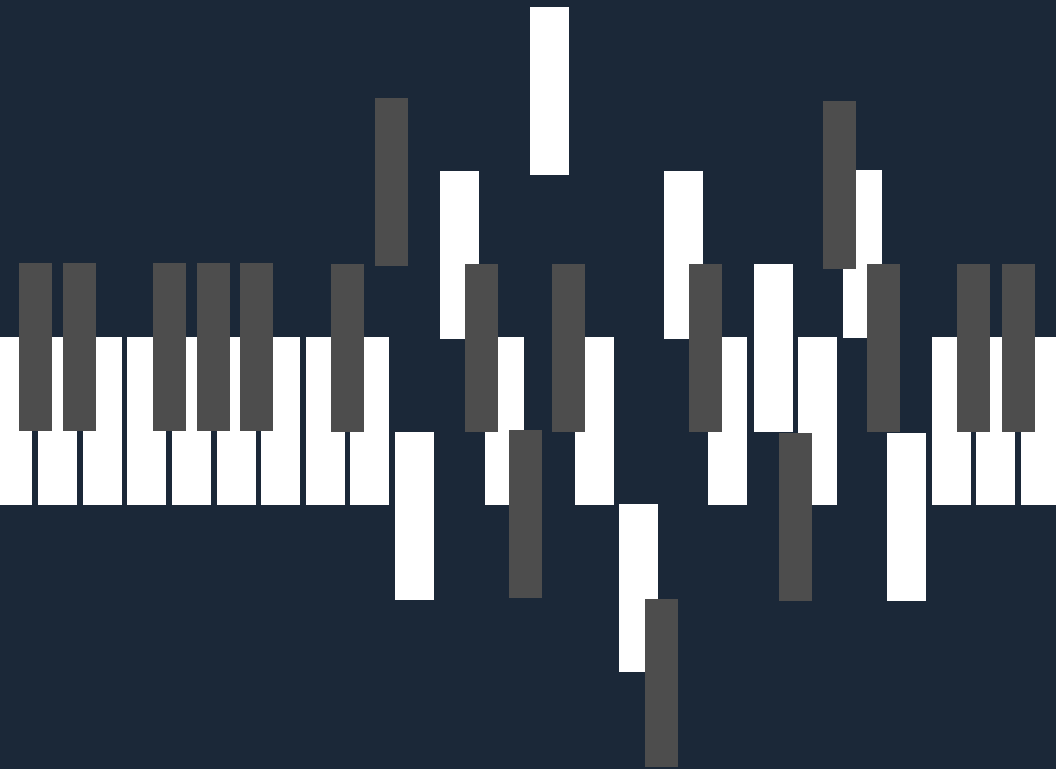


El Cerrito High School Bands

SPRING JAZZ CONCERT

Featuring:

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JAZZ WORKSHOP

The Daily Blues

Bryan Kidd

Moten Swing

Buster Moten & Bennie Moten, Arr. Sammy Nestico

A Night in Tunisia

Dizzy Gillespie, Arr. Michael Sweeney

JAZZ QUINTET

Angel's Landing

Alan Ferber

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Donny McCaslin

Nica's Dream

Horace Silver

** INTERMISSION **

JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Off the Cuff

Jim McNeely

A Walking Thing

Benny Carter

Minuano

Pat Metheny, Arr. Bob Curnow

ABOUT THE BANDS

Located in the East Bay of the San Francisco Bay Area, El Cerrito High School holds a proud history of musical excellence that dates to the school's opening in 1941. The band program at El Cerrito High School offers students the opportunity to develop their skills and passion for music through a variety of experiences that include performances, clinics, festivals, and travel opportunities. The program is comprised of three concert bands: the Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, and Concert Band as well as three jazz bands, the Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Workshop, and Jazz Lab. In addition to our classes, the program also offers several extra-curricular ensemble opportunities that include the Gaucho Band and Jazz Combos.

Throughout its 60-year history the El Cerrito High School Wind Ensemble has received superior ratings at local and state festivals and has been recognized as one of the San Francisco Bay Area's top high school wind bands. The band has made regular appearances at the California Music Educator's Association (CMEA) State Band and Orchestra Festival and has performed in venues and cities across the country including San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York, Chicago, and Vancouver. Notable performances include Carnegie Hall in New York City (2015), Chicago's Symphony Hall (2017), and the 2018 California All-State Music Education Conference (CASMEC) in San Jose where the group was selected as a featured performing ensemble.

Since 1965 the El Cerrito Jazz Ensemble has been recognized as one of California's top high school jazz bands and has performed in venues throughout the United States and abroad. Led by El Cerrito alumnus, Keith Johnson, the El Cerrito Jazz Ensemble has earned top ratings and first place awards at numerous jazz festivals across the west coast and have been finalists regular finalists at Monterey's Next Generation Jazz Festival. Over the past 10 years the group has hosted and performed alongside prominent jazz artists that include Chris Potter, Wycliffe Gordon, Alan Ferber, John Daversa, Donny McCaslin, Eric Harland, and Terell Stafford, among others. Notable performances include appearances at the Monterey Jazz Festival, North Sea Jazz Festival, Montreux Jazz Festival, Jazz á Vienne, and Umbria Jazz Festival. The El Cerrito Jazz Ensemble has twice been selected as featured performers for both the CMEA Bay Section Winter Conference (2020 and 2024) and California All-State Music Education Conference (2014 and 2024).

THE DIRECTOR

Keith Johnson serves as Director of Bands at El Cerrito High School and lecturer of music at California State University, East Bay as conductor of the CSUEB Wind Ensemble. A San Francisco Bay Area native, his career as a music educator spans two decades with experience at the middle school, high school, and collegiate levels. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in music and a Master of Arts degree in music education with an emphasis in wind conducting from San José State University.

Keith has been the recipient of various teaching honors that include the El Cerrito High School Teacher of the Year (2020), CMEA Bay Section's Outstanding Jazz Educator Award (2018), KRON 4 Teacher of the Week (2016), CMEA Bay Section's Outstanding Music Educator Award (2014), and the West County Ed Fund's Teaching Excellence Award (2014). In 2014 he was also recognized as the West Contra Costa Teacher of the year. Groups under his direction have received multiple awards and performed across the United States and Europe in venues that include Carnegie Hall in New York, Chicago's Orchestra Hall, the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C., and at several international jazz festivals including Jazz á Vienne and the Montroux, North Sea, Umbria, Victoria, and Monterey jazz festivals.

Since arriving to El Cerrito High School in 2009, the ECHS Wind Ensemble and Jazz Ensemble have been featured ensembles at the California All-State Music Education Conference (CASMEC) in 2014, 2018, and 2024. Prior to joining ECHS, Keith held positions as jazz director at Portola Middle School in El Cerrito, CA and later director of the Jazzschool Young Musicians Program at the California Jazz Conservatory. As program director at the CJC, Keith founded and directed the award-winning Jazzschool Studio Band, recipient of four national Downbeat Magazine Student Music Awards and winner of the "Large Jazz Ensemble" category in 2011.

In addition to his teaching commitments Keith works frequently as an adjudicator, clinician, and guest conductor throughout Northern California and has served on the boards of several professional music education organizations including the California Music Educators Association (CMEA), California Alliance for Jazz (CAJ), and is a Past President of CMEA Bay Section.



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Michael Geller

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BASS

Henry Clason

PIANO

Elliott Jacob

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SAXOPHONES

Oliver Kasprzycki *
Alex Jacox
Mason Larson
Ethan Stafford
Sean Fivian

TRUMPETS

Mimi Odyniec
Evan Toth
Nico Cohen Humphreys *
Leonard Abesamis
Mia Navarro

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Pasha Krasnoiarov
Brenden Cech *
Neel Cooney
William Bowden
Matthew D'Amato

DRUMS

Rani Millstein
Sevan Markarian

BASS

Henry Clayton

PIANO

Lewis Parkinson

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Javier Gutierrez
Kenji Malaowala

TRUMPETS

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Linden Stacey *
Brenna Moore
Matteo Diaco

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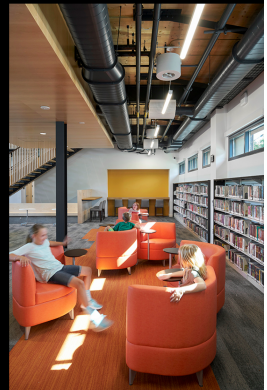


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