



A U D I T I O N S

HIGH POINT YOUTH JAZZ ORCHESTRA

(for music students in grades 9 through 12)

Tuesday, September 21, 2010

7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

or

Saturday, September 25, 2010

12:00 to 1:30 p.m.

High Point Area Arts Council
305 N. Main Street, Suite 222
High Point, NC 27260

(entrance to building is from the parking lot side of the building
which is off of English Road)

The High Point Area Arts Council is once again sponsoring a High Point Youth Jazz Orchestra to provide youth with an opportunity to experience jazz on an ongoing basis in addition to its John Coltrane Jazz Workshop in the summer. The Youth Jazz Orchestra is an auditioned group which is open to all high school aged students who are interested in learning more about the aspects and performance techniques associated with performing in a jazz ensemble.

Auditions are on a first come, first served basis—no appointments will be made. Instrumentation for the Youth Jazz Orchestra is: 5 trumpets, 5 trombones, 5 saxophones, and a 5-piece rhythm section (piano, guitar, bass, drums, and auxiliary percussion). Audition requirements are:

- *Experience* – Students must have at least 3 years of experience on the instrument they are auditioning on.
- *Prepared Material* – Plan any jazz etude or a jazz soli from your current jazz band literature. The goal is to present a prepared piece that shows off your best jazz playing.
- *Sight Reading* – A jazz excerpt will be provided for sight reading.

The High Point Youth Jazz Orchestra is directed by Wally West and rehearsals will be held on Tuesdays from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. beginning October 5. There will be performance opportunities throughout the school year with a concert in the spring.

Tuition for the Youth Jazz Orchestra is \$30 per month with a discount for siblings (partial and full scholarships are also available). For more information, contact Durrell W. Barthell, Arts Education Coordinator of the High Point Area Arts Council, at 336-889-2787 ext. 23 or artseducation@highpointarts.org.

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