



THE NIGHT STAR JAZZ ORCHESTRA HOSTS CELEBRATION OF JAZZ

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Salt Lake City, Utah, April 17, 2018 - The Night Star Jazz Orchestra (NSJO) will be putting on a concert to celebrate jazz arts education. The event held on Wednesday May 9th, 6:30 P.M. at Clearfield High School Auditorium will benefit the music department at Clearfield High School and spotlight music and arts education in our public schools.

The show features Katrina Cannon on vocals and the Night Star Jazz Orchestra performing contemporary jazz charts and fresh takes on jazz standards. The program includes popular songs from the Great American Songbook such as "Georgia On My Mind" and "Do Nothin Till You Hear From Me" and new contemporary works from composers Gordon Goodwin, Tim Davies, Bob Mintzer and Bob Patterson.

The 2018 jazz education show is truly a celebration of jazz arts with the performance of the 2017 winner of the inaugural Night Star Jazz Orchestra Student Arranging award with Tony Elison's arrangement of Thelonious Monk's "Eronel."

Special guests opening the concert with the Night Star Jazz Orchestra will be the West Point Jr. High Jazz Band and Clearfield High School Jazz Band. Joining the NSJO on the band stand will be the Clearfield High School Jazz Band to close out the night of exciting jazz and celebration of the uniquely American gift the world - big band and jazz improvisation. Prior to the concert at 4:00 P.M., a roundtable discussion titled "Thinking with Jazz: The Educational Impact of Improvisation" with Dr. Alex Heitlinger, Director of Jazz and Contemporary Performance, Dr. Daniel Jonas, Assistant Director of Bands and Doctoral Candidate David Hall of the University of Utah.

Tickets to the show can be purchased at the door the day of the show. Admission is \$12 for adults and \$8 for students and children. This program is generously supported by The Legacy Music Alliance, the Jazz Education Network and Hire's Big H.

More information about the band and the event can be found at nightstarjazzorchestra.com.

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