

CHRISTOPHER MADSEN

Jazz Saxophone, Composer, Educator

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Education

THE JUILLIARD SCHOOL, New York, NY

2003-2005

Artist Diploma, Jazz Studies

DEPAUL UNIVERSITY, Chicago, IL

1999-2003

Bachelor's Degree, Jazz Studies

Performance Highlights

Discography as a leader:

Free to Drive (2004)

Hidden (2006)

Chris Madsen Trio Plays Bix Beiderbecke (2011)

Pop Art (2012)

DEASE-MADSEN QUINTET 2004-2006

Co-leader with trombonist Michael Dease

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY JAZZ FACULTY SEXTET 2008-2014

As member of Jazz Faculty at Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

WYNTON MARSALIS QUARTET, New York, NY 2004

Guest performer at Time Warner Center, New York

PAUL SIMON BAND, New York, NY 2005

Performed on nationally televised "Shelter From the Storm" benefit

BOBBY SHORT BAND, New York, NY 2004-2005

Nightly performances at Café Carlyle, New York

BOB LARK ALUMNI BIG BAND 2011-Present

Featured arranger, recordings on *JazzEd* label

JOE CLARK BIG BAND feat. JEFF HAMILTON 2012-Present

Recordings on *JazzEd* label

NEW STANDARD JAZZ ORCHESTRA 2014-Present

Featured composer/arranger

Other notable musicians worked with:

Victor Goines, Chicago Jazz Ensemble w/ John Faddis, Chicago Jazz Orchestra, Renee Fleming, Kenny Washington, Eric Reed, Wycliffe Gordon, Aaron Goldberg, Jimmy Heath, Tom Harrell, Lage Lund, Jon Irabagon, Ben Wolfe, Carl Allen, Loren Schoenberg, Ron Perrillo, Bobby Broom, Richie Cole's Alto Madness Orchestra, Everypeople Jazz Workshop, Judi Silvano, Jeff Hamilton

Compositional Achievements

PUBLISHED COMPOSER, KENDOR MUSIC, WALRUS MUSIC INC, UNC JAZZ PRESS

Pieces available for purchase at all online outlets

COMMISSIONED COMPOSER, ILLINOIS ALL-STATE MUSIC ASSOCIATION

Composition served as basis for all jazz auditions in 2011-2012

PHIL WOODS W/ DEPAUL UNIVERSITY JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Arrangement of "Never Let Me Go" featured on 2007 CD release *Swingchronicity*

BARBARA LEA W/ LOREN SCHOENBERG BIG BAND

Arrangements of "Together" and "Mother May I" appear on 2006 CD release *Black Butterfly*

FEATURED "YOUNG COMPOSER", JAZZIZ MAGAZINE

Composition "Molasses" featured in Oct. 2005 edition issue, composer biography spotlighted

SMITHSONIAN JAZZ MASTERWORKS ORCHESTRA

Several commissioned projects for this ensemble based out of Washington, D.C. from 2005-present.

Additional Commissions:

Commissioned to write works for Northwestern, Juilliard, and DePaul University Jazz Ensembles, Steve Davis, Bobby Broom, Rob Parton, Mark Colby, John Hersey H.S., Libertyville H.S., Elk Grove H.S., New London H.S., Oak Park River Forest H.S., Fremont Middle School, New Standard Jazz Orch, Bob Lark Alumni Big Band

Teaching Experience

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF JAZZ STUDIES, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO

2014-Present

COORDINATOR OF JAZZ STUDIES, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, EVANSTON, IL

2008-2014

JAZZ STUDIES DIRECTOR, MIDWEST YOUNG ARTISTS, HIGHWOOD, IL

2009-Present

JAZZ COORDINATOR, NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC INSTITUTE, EVANSTON, IL

2009-2010

Guest artist and clinician with many educational institutions including:

Illinois:

IMEA District 1 Jazz Festival
IMEA All-State Conference
IMEA District 7 Jazz Auditions
Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic
Evanston Township HS Jazz Festival
North Shore Jazz Festival
Rolling Meadows Jazz Festival
Mundelein Jazz Festival
John Hersey High School
Libertyville High School
New Trier High School
Wheeling High School
Vernon Hills High School
Conant High School
Prospect High School
Fremont Middle School
Central Middle School
Lake Zurich High School

Michigan:

Caledonia High School

Wisconsin:

New London High School

Ohio:

Wadsworth High School

Pickerington High School

New Jersey:

Vernon High School

Canada:

Westmount S.S., Hamilton, Ontario

John Taylor Collegiate

Etobicoke School of the Arts

Additional

Rico Reed clinician

Member, *Fulbright Specialist Program* roster

Member, *Jazz Education Network*

Member, *National Educator's Association*

Featured Artist, *Jazz Spotlight* for *artsamerica.org* (2012)

Regular interviewee, *WRRG Triton College Radio, Triton College, IL*