



The Eau Claire Jazz Festival will foster appreciation for jazz music, through jazz education and entertainment as expressed through the arts. The Festival is a partnership between Eau Claire Jazz, Inc. and the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

This two week, community-wide celebration of jazz highlights the rich history and influence that Jazz has had on our culture. Celebrating jazz by incorporating art and music will culminate in the four day Eau Claire Jazz Festival that features nationally recognized artists, local artists, and student musicians performing in concerts, coffee houses and at a free jam session. In addition, there will be hands-on Jazz education, school performances and a Jazz inspired Art Crawl, with Middle school, high school and local artists contributing.

WEEK I

Monday, April 5

Tracing the Trumpet through Jazz History, 7-8:30 p.m.

Presented by Dr. Ryan Jones, this interesting educational session will trace the role and impact of the trumpet in jazz history. Artists discussed will include Louis Armstrong, Miles Davis, Dizzy Gillespie, Clifford Brown and many more!
*L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library
 400 Eau Claire Street, Eau Claire
 This is a free event*

Tuesday, April 6

Jazz @ 5, 5-6:30 p.m.

It's back! Join us at the State Theatre for a laid back evening of jazz music performed by the Tyler Anderson Quintet.
*State Theatre Lobby
 316 Eau Claire Street, Eau Claire
 This is a free event*

Jazz: Your Cup of Tea, 6-8 p.m.

Join us at Infinita teahouse for a classic cup of tea and some classy jazz with Take2Day. Vocalist Barbara Lyon, and keyboardist/composer Patrick Pesek-Herriges, make up this dynamic duo featuring music inspired by Paul Simon, Ella Fitzgerald and Ludwig von Beethoven.
*Infinita Teahouse
 112 E. Grand Avenue, Eau Claire
 This is a free event*

Jump, Jive & Read, 6:30 p.m.

The Eau Claire Jazz Festival is for kids of all ages! The festival has partnered with L.E. Phillips Library and the Eau Claire School District

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Early Learning Program to offer an interactive preschool music and art series, Jump, Jive and Read! Each family will receive a drum created by Youth Leadership Eau Claire. Live music will begin at 6 p.m.
*L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library
 400 Eau Claire Street, Eau Claire
 This is a free event*

Wednesday, April 7

Jump Into Jazz, 6:00 -7:30 p.m.

Help kick off the two week celebration of Jazz and the arts with artist Fred Sklenar who will be creating live chalk artwork representing the soul of jazz. Contributing artists and musicians will also be celebrated during this evening of jazz music, visual art and treats!
*RCU Corporate Headquarters Community Room
 200 Riverfront Terrace, Eau Claire
 This is a free event*

Thursday, April 8

Jump, Jive & Read, 10:30 a.m.

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1st Annual Jazz Slam, 7 p.m.

Area musicians will demonstrate their skills in the first ever Jazz Slam. Contestants will compete in an *American Idol* style competition as judged by a panel. Winners will receive online recognition as top performers as well as the honor of "Jazz Slam Champion."

Acoustic Café

505 So. Barstow, Eau Claire

This is a free event

Jazzed Up, 7 p.m.

Come experience the Oakwood Mall food court like you've never seen it before—a concert hall! Director Jeff Walk and the Regis High School Jazz Band perform a special concert.

Oakwood Mall

4800 Golf Road, Eau Claire

This is a free event

Friday, April 9

Java and Jazz, 7-9 p.m.

Enjoy the ambience of a jazz coffee house with veteran jazz guitarist Dean Granos and his trio of guitar, bass and drums. A composer and improviser, Granos has a unique style drawing

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from early to modern jazz with inspirations ranging from Charles Ives, Louis Armstrong and Jimmy Hendrix.

Acoustic Café

505 So. Barstow, Eau Claire

This is a free event

Saturday, April 10

Sounds of Jazz, 7-9 p.m.

Celebrate all the colors of jazz with the Jayson Collins Quartet. This high energy jazz group plays through a mix of joyful and eclectic original tunes. The band features Dean Granos on guitar, supported by bass and drums.

Acoustic Café

505 So. Barstow, Eau Claire

This is a free event

Jazzed Up, 7 p.m.

Come experience the Oakwood Mall food court like you've never seen it before—a concert hall! Jazz sextet, The Jazz Avengers, will perform a special concert.

Oakwood Mall

4800 Golf Road, Eau Claire

This is a free event

WEEK II

Sunday, April 11

Jazz at Borders, 1-3 p.m.

Stop in and relax with a warm cup of coffee and some jazz provided by the B.A.D. Trio.

Borders

4030 Commonwealth Ave.

Eau Claire

This is a free event

Jazzed Up, 3 p.m.

Come experience the Oakwood Mall food court like you've never seen it before—a concert hall! Under the direction of Mr. Brian Claxton, UWEC Jazz Ensemble IV takes the stage to provide an afternoon of fun and entertainment.

Oakwood Mall

4800 Golf Road

Eau Claire

This is a free event

Monday, April 12

Jazzed Up, 7 p.m.

Come experience the Oakwood Mall food court like you've never seen it before—a concert hall! Music Director Eugene Power and the North High School Jazz Band performs a special concert.

Oakwood Mall

4800 Golf Road

Eau Claire

This is a free event

(Monday April 12 cont..)

Tracing the Saxophone through Jazz History, 7-8:30 p.m.

Presented by Dr. Ryan Jones, this interesting educational session will trace the role and impact of the saxophone in jazz history. Artists discussed will include Lester Young, Coleman Hawkins, Charlie Parker, John Coltrane and many more!

L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library

400 Eau Claire Street, Eau Claire

This is a free event

Tuesday, April 13

Jazz: Your Cup of Tea, 6-8 p.m.

Join us at Infinita teahouse for a classic cup of tea and some classy jazz with the B.A.D. Trio. This trio, comprised of pianist Brandon Covelli, bassist Andy Detra and percussionist, Dave Power, has played with numerous jazz greats, including Benny Golson, Dave Weckl, Chris Potter, Nachito Herrera and more.

Infinita Teahouse

112 E. Grand Avenue, Eau Claire

This is a free event

Serving Jazz, 4:30-6 p.m.

The Community Table is now offering food for the soul.

Come and be a part of a great night of local jazz with Addie Strei. This is a free event.

The Community Table

1300 1st Avenue, Eau Claire

Wednesday, April 14

Jazz Avengers, Noon

Mike Malone and combo will perform at the entrance of McIntyre Library. Join the fun and get in the mood!

McIntyre Library

UW- Eau Claire

This is a free event

Jazz on the Hill, 8-10 p.m.

Step back in time to an era of swingin' hips and big bands.

Fanny Hill presents Troppo Big Band Jazz Orchestra featuring music from Duke Ellington, Benny Goodman and many more!

Get ready for a night of dinner

and dancing. \$10 cover includes a \$5 meal voucher.

Fanny Hill

3919 Crescent Avenue, Eau Claire

Thursday, April 15

Haymarket Jazz Club, 5-7 p.m.

Relax and enjoy the jazz club atmosphere with featured guest Fred Steele, Jazz Vocalist, backed by UWEC jazz combo.

Haymarket Grill

101 Graham Avenue, Eau Claire

Connie Evingson Vocal Jazz Concert, 7:30 p.m.

Enjoy the versatile and constantly surprising alto, Connie Evingson with the UW-Eau Claire Jazz I Ensemble

State Theatre

316 Eau Claire Street, Eau Claire

Friday, April 16

College and Vocal Jazz Day

Scheduled Clinics (free events)

All events will take place on UW-EC Campus.

Composer Workshop Panel- Noon

Join nationally recognized composers as they discuss the creative process of composition. A Q & A with the audience is included.

Haas Fine Arts, UW-Eau Claire

This is a free event

Vocal Jazz Clinic- Phil Mattson, 2p.m.

Renowned jazz educator, Phil Mattson, describes vocal jazz as an expression of the artistic spirit. "This art form enables the musician to explore and create a music statement that reflects jazz as a higher art form." This interactive clinic will provide the "how to" steps to help directors and students continue to develop vocal jazz into their music programs.

Schofield Hall, UW- Eau Claire

Beginning Jazz Piano- Aaron Vandermeer, 10a.m. & 2p.m.

Descriptor: This clinic will focus on teaching students to read and realize chords from a lead sheet. Learn about the ii - V - I progression and efficient ways to approach it using Strayhorn's "Take the 'A' Train" as a model. Want to modernize your blues voicings? This is the clinic for you!

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INDEPTH with Michael Sweeney

1:15 pm

Talk informally with Michael Sweeney about composing, the business of composition and more.

Haas Fine Arts

FREE

Master Classes (free events)

Nicholas Payton, Trumpet, 3:45p.m

Grammy award-winning trumpeter, Nicholas Payton, is here to answer your questions! Come prepared to ask this world renowned artist questions concerning his music, the music business, technique and more. Don't miss this opportunity to talk to Mr. Payton before his performance!

Gantner Concert Hall

Kenni Holmen, Saxophone, 3 p.m.

Kenni Holmen will share his reflections as an artist/musician. Listen and learn from one of jazz music's performers. Kenni is a member of Prince's Hornheads.

Gantner Concert Hall

This is a free event

Jazz Takes Center Stage, 7:30 p.m.

Concert Featuring:

Nicholas Payton – *Internationally recognized Trumpeter*

Kenni Holmen – *Saxophonist*

UW-Eau Claire Jazz I- *Robert Baca, Director*

Festival's College Honor Band and Combo

Memorial High School Auditorium

2225 Keith Street, Eau Claire

Post-Concert Jam Session

9:30pm - 10:30pm- Middle School and High School only

10:30pm- 12:30 am – Open to all musicians - Food available off menu

Green Mill Restaurant

2703 Craig Road, Eau Claire

This is a free event

Saturday, April 17

High School and Middle School

Daytime Clinics

All events will take place on UW-EC Campus.

Repeating Schedule:

Improvisation – Beginning

Improvisation – Advanced

Sectional clinics-All levels

This is a free event

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New Music for Jazz Ensemble

Michael Sweeney, 11 a.m.

Featuring a wide variety of styles and levels, hear new charts by Mark Taylor, Michael Philip Mossman, Mike Tomaro, Rick Stitzel, Paul Murtha and Michael Sweeney. Also includes a brief demonstration of the "Essential Elements for Jazz Ensemble" method for beginning jazz programs.

Proven Winners for Jazz Ensemble

Michael Sweeney, 1p.m.

This reading session focuses on classic charts from past years. Some of these date back 20 to 30 years, and all are still in print and readily available. Features charts by Nestico, Taylor, Tomaro, Sweeney and more.

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Richie Cole at Noon

Concert featuring special guest

Richie Cole, saxophone

Haas Fine Arts, UW-EC

This is a free event

1st Annual UW-Eau Claire Jazz Alumni Band, 4:30pm

Concert featuring alumni from UW-Eau Claire Jazz Program

Zorn Arena, UW-EC

This is a free event

(Saturday April 17 cont...)

Spotlight on Jazz, 7p.m.

Back for a second night!

Concert Featuring:

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Kenni Holmen – *Saxophonist*

UW-Eau Claire Jazz I- *Robert Baca, Director*

Festival's High School Honor Bands

Memorial High School Auditorium

2225 Keith Street Eau Claire, WI

Sunday, April 18

Jazz Finale, 2 p.m.

Randy Sabien, Jazz Violinist

Matt Turner, Jazz Cellist

Backed by UWEC Jazz Combo

Opening act: Wire Choir, Chippewa Falls Senior High

Heyde Center for the Arts

3 North High Street

Chippewa Falls, WI