



CALL FOR AUDITIONS: Young Lions All-Star Band

Perform in concert with the Nebraska Jazz Orchestra
And renowned guest artist Kirk Garrison.

Wednesday, February 1, 2012 at 7:30 pm
Cornhusker Marriott, 333 South 13th Street, Lincoln, NE



Kirk Garrison, jazz trumpet artist, composer & arranger, is a professional musician residing in the Chicago area. He attended Mankato State University in his home state of Minnesota from 1978-1983.

During a nine year United States Air Force Band career he developed his unique abilities as a lead trumpet player, creative jazz soloist and writer. One of the peaks of his military career was an assignment as musical director for a select band deployed to the Middle East during operation Desert Storm. Kirk left the Air Force in 1992 to complete his Master of Music degree in Jazz

Studies at DePaul University (June 1995). While at DePaul he received many music awards and academic honors, including Downbeat Magazine's Outstanding Jazz Soloist (1995), and Outstanding Combo Awards (1994).

Currently an artist/clinician for The Music Group, he maintains a vigorous schedule as a performer, private teacher and soloist/clinician at national and international music camps and jazz festivals. In addition, he is an adjunct professor at DePaul University in Chicago, Concordia University in River Forest, Illinois, and at South Suburban College in South Holland, Illinois. Kirk performs and records with several notable jazz ensembles throughout the country. Recent performance credits include, The Munich Philharmonic Orchestra Brass (Blechsbaden), the Chicago Jazz Festival, The Chicago Blues Festival, and with the Ravinia Festival Orchestra. His compositions and arrangements are used in an array of contemporary performing mediums throughout the music industry.



The **Nebraska Jazz Orchestra** was founded in 1975 and performs throughout Nebraska and the Midwest. Tours to Europe have included England, France, Germany, Scotland and a 1997 performance at the prestigious Montreux International Jazz Festival in Montreux, Switzerland.

"Proof positive that jazz isn't just a New York or New Orleans or Chicago or Kansas City thing."

– Jazz Times

"The Nebraska Jazz Orchestra is world class!"

– Bobby Watson

Rules, Guidelines & Eligibility

- **Application Deadline: Friday, November 25, 2011**
- **Audition Recording Deadline: Thursday, December 29, 2011**
- Open to musicians who have not reached their 22nd birthday on or before February 1, 2012.
- Instrumentation: Alto, Tenor, Baritone Saxophones · Trumpets · Trombones · Piano · Bass · Drums · Guitar
- Selected musicians must furnish transportation and instruments, except piano.
- If selected, musicians **MUST** be available for the following:

REHEARSAL: Sunday, January 22, 2012, 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m., O'Donnell Auditorium, Nebraska Wesleyan University, Lincoln
REHEARSAL: Tuesday, January 31, 2012, 5:00 p.m.- 6:30 p.m., O'Donnell Auditorium, Nebraska Wesleyan University, Lincoln
CONCERT: Wednesday, February 1, 2012, 7:30 p.m. @ The Cornhusker Marriott, 333 South 13th Street, Lincoln

(See reverse for application)

How To Apply:

- This completed form and a \$5.00 non-refundable application fee must be submitted to Nebraska Jazz Orchestra.
- Make checks payable to Nebraska Jazz Orchestra.
- **Applications must be postmarked by Friday, November 25, 2011.**
- Upon receiving your application, the NJO will send audition music to you.

The Audition Process:

When you receive your audition music, prepare a recorded audition (Cassette or CD) and send or deliver it to the NJO. Please include the following:

- Chromatic scale** over the entire range of the instrument.
- Prepared piece** supplied by the NJO.
- Improvised solo*** optional, but highly recommended!

*Can be 3-5 choruses of blues, or 2-3 choruses of a well-known standard, with live or recorded accompaniment, such as Jamey Aebersold.

- Please include a note or announce what piece you have selected.
- **Audition recordings must be postmarked or hand-delivered to the office no later than Thursday, December 29 2011.** Materials will be returned if you provide a self-addressed return envelope with sufficient postage.
- Audition results will be mailed to you by January 8, 2012.



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(detach and return with \$5 application fee • please photocopy as needed)

Name _____

Address _____

City, State & Zip _____ Telephone _____

E-mail _____

Age on February 1, 2012 _____ Grade Level _____ Instrument _____

School/College _____