



2017 Camp Guide

HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ

IMPROVISATION

Description of Camp

The High School Jazz Improvisation Camp is open to students entering grades 10-12. Young jazz musicians will have the opportunity to develop and improve their improvisational abilities. Activities include jazz combos, jazz theory, improvisation classes, jazz history, listening, and instrumental master classes. The camp culminates with a concert. Whatever the level of proficiency, all LMC campers find new challenges and opportunities and will advance in their ability!

The camp culminates with a required student performance in Bates Recital Hall.

Typical Daily Schedule

Residential campers are awoken by counselors. Everyone eats breakfast as a group and then walks to the Butler School of Music together. All campers spend mornings in rehearsals and/or sectionals (by orchestra). All campers are escorted by counselors back to the dorm for lunch. Lunch breaks are organized by band.

The afternoon is spent in master classes and rehearsals. Master classes expose students to important repertoire and instrumental techniques unique to their instrument. Students work on basics of tone production, articulation, and ensemble performance. Students also have the opportunity to take jazz appreciation and jazz theory in which the instructor introduces all the sub genres of Jazz and how to analyze and identify them.

Each evening, campers will have a different nightly activity. Evening activities can include: the Texas Union Underground arcade and bowling; (campers interested in the Texas Union Underground should bring cash--admission is approximately \$8 for bowling and billiards; the arcade is coin-operated.) or Dorm Night and guest artist performances, which will be held as a camp-wide group.

Day-campers depart from the Music Building at 8:30 each night, and residential campers eat dinner in the dorm as a group.

Audition Information

The dorm will open for check-in at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday. If your child has an early audition time, please report to the Butler School of Music first to audition; then proceed to the dorm. If your child has a late

audition time, you may check-in at the dorm (starting at 1:00 p.m.) prior to coming to the Butler School of Music. The Jester East Residence Hall is located at **201 E 21st St, Austin, TX 78705**.

Campers will audition at the Butler School of Music on Sunday afternoon. In order to eliminate long lines at audition rooms, audition times will be assigned. We are unable to accept audition time requests. Campers will be informed of their audition time by e-mail 2-3 days prior to the start of the respective camp and must audition at their assigned time. The audition process will begin at 12:00 p.m. and should end by 2:45 p.m.

Please arrive 30 minutes prior to assigned audition time to allow time for parking, warming up, and finding room. Audition rooms are posted in the music building and counselors will be on hand to assist.

Auditions for this Jazz Improvisation camp will consist of students improvising over a selection of their choice that best shows their improvisational ability. Students will be accompanied by the faculty holding the auditions. Students are also free to bring a play-along accompaniment CD if they are more comfortable with that medium.

Arrival Day

All campers should arrive at the Music Building about 20 minutes prior to their audition time to warm up. After auditioning, residential campers should go to the Jester East Residence Hall. The Jester East Residence Hall is located at **201 E 21st St, Austin, TX 78705**.

To see a map, visit <http://www.utexas.edu/parking/parking/garages/index.php> and click "Brazos Garage" (the closest garage available). Please follow all posted parking regulations. Parents should depart by 3:15, at which time the campers and counselors will walk to the Music Building as a group and begin the instructional portion of camp. For day-campers, after playing their audition, they will gather in the music building until the 3:30 camp-wide meeting.

The Butler School of Music is located at **2406 Robert Dedman Drive**, near the corner of Robert Dedman and Dean Keeton. You may park along Dean Keeton and walk over or in the San Jacinto Parking Garage (a fee applies).

To see a map, visit <http://www.utexas.edu/maps/main/buildings/mrh.html>. All street and surface level parking on campus now requires a permit at all times. Please follow all posted parking regulations.

While students audition, parents should wait in the hospitality room MBE 2.114 (Longhorn Band Hall), where you may visit with camp staff, pick up camper information (locker combination, maps, etc.), and enjoy refreshments.

Schedule for Commuter Campers

On Sunday, day-campers will report to the Butler School of Music at 12:00 p.m. for wind players (saxophone, trumpet, trombone) and at 2:00 p.m. for rhythm players (piano, drums, guitar, bass). Sunday evening pickup time is 8:30 p.m. at the Music Building.

Monday–Friday, day-campers should arrive at the Butler School of Music at 8:45 a.m. (drop-off point is along Trinity Street at the Sabretooth Tiger Statue in front of the Texas Memorial Museum). In case of rain, enter and remain near the west doors of the Music Building, which is across the street from the Texas Memorial Museum. Campers must check in with their counselor upon arrival and departure. Parents are asked to remain with camper until counselor is present at 8:45 a.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, day campers will depart campus from the Music Building at 8:30 p.m. On Wednesday, day campers will depart campus from the Music Building at 8:00 p.m.

Camp Concerts

All camps culminate with a student performance in Bates Recital Hall. All performances are free and open to the public. All campers must participate in the final performance.

A live webcast of the performance is available at: <http://www.music.utexas.edu/calendar> (click on the June 16 listing).

Tentative Concert Schedule for Friday, June 16

High School Jazz Improvisation Camp 3:00–4:30p.m.

Dorm Checkout Schedule for Friday, June 16

High School Jazz Improvisation Camp 8:00–8:30 a.m.

Campers will check out of their dorm rooms with their counselors on Friday (last day of camp) between 8:00 and 8:30 a.m. Parents may pick up their camper at check out (and collect their belonging at that time of check-out) and drive the camper to the Butler School of Music in time for their warm-up. Any luggage not picked up by parents will be securely transported to the Music Building during the morning on Friday. Parents will be able to collect their child's luggage at the Music Building following the final camp concert.

*Please refer to the 2017 Longhorn Music Camp
Handbook for additional general camp
information.*