

SFJAZZ Collective

New Works & Reimagined Classics

2022-2023 Season

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To celebrate the 10th Season of the SFJAZZ Center and the endless diversity of music that has been presented on the Miner stage over the last decade, SFJAZZ's resident supergroup will be performing a wide selection of material chosen and arranged by the members, from new compositions to timeless classics and everything in between.

An all-star ensemble comprising the finest performer/composers at work in jazz today, the SFJAZZ Collective was conceived to create fresh arrangements of works by modern masters and newly commissioned pieces by each member of the band. Through this pioneering approach, simultaneously honoring music's greatest figures while championing jazz's up-to-the-minute directions, the Collective has embodied SFJAZZ's commitment to jazz as a dynamic, ever-evolving art form.

Following last season's inspired concept to reflect the moment by re-arranging socially relevant classics along with debuting fresh compositions that reflect the tumultuous state of the world, the band is changing things up yet again.

Under the direction of Chris Potter, this lineup of the Collective featuring David Sánchez, Mike Rodriguez, Warren Wolf, Edward Simon, Matt Brewer, and Kendrick Scott is among the most dynamic ever, ensuring each performance is fresh, fun, and full of surprises.

Personnel:

Chris Potter music director, tenor saxophone, winds

David Sánchez tenor saxophone

Mike Rodriguez trumpet

Warren Wolf vibraphone

Edward Simon piano

Matt Brewer bass

Kendrick Scott drums

Quotes:

"Contemporary jazz's premier all-star band" — *The New York Times*

"The octet boasts as much or more collective talent, firepower and critical acclaim than any other jazz ensemble going.." — *DownBeat*

"As soloists you won't be able to find a finer collection of leaders who have come together in the spirit of communal communication." — *Jazzreview.com*