

2009-10 Samohi Jazz Ensemble Performance Dates

1. **Tuesday, 1/19/10- Bob Mintzer Concert-** Barnum Hall, 7pm start and 5:30pm sound check. Tickets will be \$10. Advance tickets will be given to students and additional tickets will be sold at the door. Both Jazz bands will be performing. Students will need their jazz band shirts and black pants/shoes.
2. **Saturday, 3/6/10- Western States Jazz Festival-** Hosted by Upland High School- 565 West 11th St., Upland Ca 91786 Performance time will be probably be in the afternoon. Students must meet at the Samohi circle at 9am and will be traveling in on a bus. Please let me know if you'd be willing to drive, because we will need at least one van to drive some equipment. Students will need to bring money for lunch and dinner. The award ceremony should be over by about 8pm. I will know more soon when I receive our exact performance time and awards ceremony time. . Students will need their jazz band shirts and black pants/shoes.
3. **Wednesday, 3/17/10- Stairway Combined Jazz Rehearsal-** Malibu HS. A bus will take students to MHS and rehearse from 4-6pm and return to Samohi by 7pm.
4. **Thursday and Friday, 3/25 & 26- Stairway of the Stars Concert-** Students will need to wear nice dress black and white for this concert as they will be performing with members of the Malibu HS jazz band as well. Only Jazz band 1 students will perform at Stairway.
5. **Saturday, 4/24/10- Walk For Autism, Autism Speaks- Pasadena Rose Bowl-** Students will need to arrive in Pasadena by 8am. I'm not sure how many bands they would like, but they will probably just want Jazz 1 and the Jazz combo. Stay tuned.
6. **Saturday, 5/22/10- Super Jazz at the Ranch Jazz Festival-** 26255 W. Valencia Blvd. Stevenson Ranch, CA 91381 661-222-1220. Performance time will be around early afternoon. Students must meet at the Samohi circle at 9am and will be traveling by bus. Please let me know if you'd be willing to drive, because we will need at least one van to drive some equipment. Students will need to bring money for lunch and dinner. The award ceremony should be over by about 8pm, so students who are not going to prom should be back by 9pm.
7. **Farmers Market Jazz Festival (next to The Grove)-** This is a jazz band competition in a public performance setting. First place- \$2,500, Second- \$2,000 and Third- \$1,500. **Currently, the performance dates have not been identified, but are expected to take place in the Spring.** Funding for a bus will be provided and the first place band will be paid to come back to perform for the opening of the popular Thursday night Summer Jazz Concert Series.
8. **Optional/Possible Fundraising concert** at the end of the year at a restaurant/hotel in Santa Monica where students can perform their music and "jam" with some local professional jazz musicians. Perhaps a percentage of the food purchased could go back to the Samohi Jazz Program.

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