



ANNOUNCING !! The 3rd Annual North Carolina Orchestra Solo and Small Ensemble Festival

Middle and High School level !

Saturday, April 21, 2012

Ronald W. Reagan High School

3750 Transou Road, Pfafftown, NC 27040

Last year over 400 orchestra and band students performed for five judges. This year, again, we plan to have all students perform between 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

If we have more students, we merely contract more judges. We hope that this year's date of **April 21** will make the event easy to attend for many more students. The Festival is held in conjunction with the Northwest District Band Solo and Ensemble Festival. For two years we have had the pleasure of hearing some mixed string/wind ensembles perform. We really hope to increase the number of those performances this year. Any orchestra director that would like to include wind, brass or percussion students from your school, as a mixed group, or separately, is welcome to do so. We feel this will open up a plethora of additional opportunities for the young musicians of North Carolina to perform good music, receive excellent feedback from some of our best music educators, and, maybe most importantly, receive appropriate recognition for doing so.



*The Solo and Ensemble Festivals are held in conjunction with the City of the Arts Jazz Festival. All day long, various high school, middle school and college jazz ensembles and combos will be performing on three different stages. Students participating in the Solo and Ensemble festival have the opportunity to enjoy performances before and after their own performance. This has been very much enjoyed the past few years. (A welcome break from warming up and a real nerve settler before and after a student's Solo or Ensemble performance.) Since these events attract a fairly large crowd, there is also a **great concession area** which features Home Cooked Hot Dogs and Hamburgers, Home Made Desserts, Soft Drinks, etc., etc., etc.*



*****NEWS*** FREE ADMISSION FOR Solo & Ensemble participants!!**

The headliner for the event this year is Asheville Jazz Orchestra.

This year the final show is moved up two hours and we are giving all the participants in a Solo & Ensemble festival a free ticket. Stay, have some dinner and enjoy a great jazz concert.



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