

## CARDINAL JAZZ ORCHESTRA AUDITIONS Saxophone Packet

This audition packet is for saxophonists interested in performing with the **Lamar University Cardinal Jazz Orchestra**. Participation in the LCJO is not required; however, it is an amazing experience and all students, regardless of major, are encouraged to audition. All members of the LCJO are given a separate scholarship each semester and there are wonderful performance experiences provided throughout the academic year. (For more information, please visit the Lamar University Cardinal Jazz Orchestra website or email the director, Dr. Banister.)

This year's <u>SAXOPHONE</u> audition will have two components:

## Required

Greg Fishman's "Ainslie Street" (page 2-3)

A note about tempo: This etude is marked at quarter note = 260. While this is the ideal performance tempo, you do not need to feel obligated to play this fast. Priority in the auditions will be given to accurate, even, polished performances, regardless of tempo choice. In other words, you should ALWAYS prioritize playing clean over playing fast.

## **Optional**

**Improvisation over an F concert blues** (optional; plan to play 3-4 choruses) Backing track provided at the audition:

https://youtu.be/llh6bcVyXDs?si=Qp1fZdkKAMBMmjid

Please note that these components are intended for <u>ALL</u> saxophonists interested in performing with the Cardinal Jazz Orchestra. You may audition on the saxophone with which you are most comfortable: alto, tenor, or baritone. Ensemble placements, however, may require participation on a different saxophone from the one upon which you auditioned.

Also, auditions will be "blind" this year. In other words, Dr. Banister will be behind a screen, will not see the sign-up sheet, will not know who is playing, etc. When you are in the audition room, do not speak. If you have questions, motion to the proctor who will guide you out of the room and convey questions to Dr. Banister.

If you have questions about the auditions, please email Dr. Banister.

For more detailed information on the Cardinal Jazz Orchestra audition process, including scheduling, policies and procedures, please visit:

fineartscomm.lamar.edu/bands/ensembles/jazz-orchestra/auditions

COUNT OFF: 2 BARS (6 CLICKS)

PLAY 6 X (6 CHORUSES)

## AINSLIE STREET



