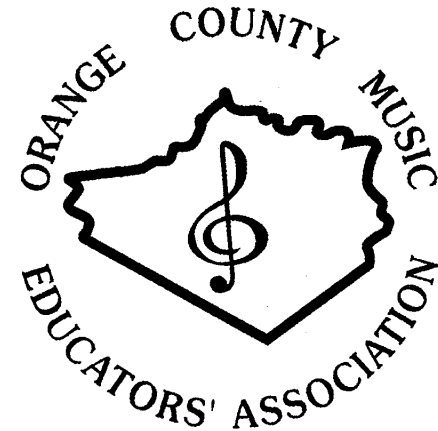


*The Orange County Music Educators' Association  
Presents*

**THE ALL-COUNTY  
JAZZ FESTIVAL  
2012**



**GUEST CONDUCTORS**

***JUNIOR HIGH JAZZ ENSEMBLE***

LARRY BALESTRA

***HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ ENSEMBLE***

CHRIS PARKER



C.J. Hooker Middle School  
Goshen, New York  
Saturday, March 10, 2012  
3:00pm

## CONCERT PROGRAM

Greeting ..... Mr. Anthony Ravinsky  
President, Orange County Music Educators' Association  
Guest Speaker ..... Ms. Jane Unhjem  
Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum,  
Goshen Central School District

## JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ ENSEMBLE

(order to be announced)

A Child Is Born..... Thad Jones  
[Kendor]  
Cotton Tail ..... Duke Ellington/Taylor  
[Hal Leonard]  
Groovin' Hard..... Don Menza/Barduhn  
[Jenson]  
St. Thomas ..... Sonny Rollins/Taylor  
[Hal Leonard]  
Word ..... Jeff Jarvis  
[Kendor]

## HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Higher Ground ..... Stevie Wonder/Tomaro  
[Hal Leonard]  
Tall Cotton ..... Sammy Nestico  
[Hal Leonard]  
Basie - Straight Ahead ..... Sammy Nestico  
[Banes Music]  
Blackbird..... John Lennon & Paul McCartney/Tomaro  
[Hal Leonard]  
Armando's Rhumba..... Chick Correa/Tomaro  
[Hal Leonard]

## OCMEA DIRECTORS' JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Groove Merchant..... Jerome Richardson/Jones  
[Kendor]  
A Little Minor Blooze..... Willie Maiden  
OCMEA Seniors as Guest Soloists [Benten]  
Count Bubba's Revenge ..... Gordon Goodwin  
[Wingood]

## JAZZ FESTIVAL COMMITTEE

Site Chairperson..... Kim Longo (G)  
Jazz Chairperson..... Jennifer Santacroce (VC)  
Assistant Jazz Chairperson ..... Brian Ackley(VC)  
Audition Chairperson..... Chris Persad (WV)

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Assignor of Adjudicators—Strings..... Amanda Mita (M)  
Webmaster ..... John Lawrence (Ret.)  
Choral Librarians ..... Laura Kling & Steven Wing (MW)  
Instrumental Librarian ..... Leonard Klopchin (W)  
String Librarian..... Bonnie Glazier (MW)

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Our sincerest appreciation is extended to:  
Goshen Central School District

Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Daniel T. Connor  
Assistant Superintendent for Business, Mr. Robert Miller  
Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction,  
Ms. Jane Unhjem  
C.J. Hooker Middle School Principal, Mr. William Rolón  
C.J. Hooker Middle School Custodial Staff and Food Services  
Thank you all for making this festival possible!

## PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS AND DIRECTORS

Cornwall (C) ..... Vic Esposito, Steve Kessler  
 Goshen (G) ..... Ellen Dickinson, Kimberly Longo  
 Highland Falls (HF) ..... Thomas Cunane  
 Middletown (M) ..... Robert Gavin  
 Minisink Valley (MV) ..... Jennifer Curreri, Joe Horner  
 Newburgh (N) ..... Dean Aulogia  
 Pine Bush (PB) ..... Valerie McMillan  
 Port Jervis ..... Dana Long  
 Valley Central (VC) ..... Brian Ackley, Jennifer Santacroce  
 Warwick Valley (WV) ..... Ryan Muehlbauer, Chris Persad  
 Washingtonville (W) ..... Jim Briggs, Angelo Marcialis

### OCMEA Directors' Jazz Ensemble

Including  
members of the  
New York Swing  
Exchange and  
friends

#### Saxophone

Jim Briggs  
Keith Sherman  
Joseph Horner  
Barton Schindler  
Jim Perry

#### Trumpet

Bruce Zuckrow  
Chris Persad  
Steve Austin  
Ari Contzius

#### Trombone

Erick Stockman  
Dave Baxter  
Sam Newsome  
Lenny Klopchin

#### Piano

John Lawrence

#### Bass

Eric Winter

#### Drums

Tom Venable

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## JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ ENSEMBLE

#### Alto Saxophone

Ariana Ramjattan, W  
Ryan Stack, W

#### Tenor Saxophone

Raven LoPresto, W  
Mike Roper, G

#### Baritone Saxophone

Lisette DeLoatch, M

#### Trumpet

Babatunde Ogunlade, W  
Zachary Siper, N  
Amy Knips, W  
John Michael Zanin, C  
Anna Derevensky, VC

#### Trombone

Thomas Annesi, W  
Kyle Wlodarczyk, VC  
Clayton Thompson, WV  
Katherine Gromacki, MV  
Julianna Goldsmith, MV

#### Piano

Peter Fitzsimmons, PB

#### Vibes

Chris Letherbarrow, G

#### Guitar

Nicholas Pham, W

#### Electric Bass

Colin Harrison, MV

#### Drum Set

Matt Kopec, G  
Joseph Brunning, M

## HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ ENSEMBLE

#### Alto Saxophone

James Negron, VC  
Timothy Coffey, W

#### Tenor Saxophone

Nicholas Schneider, VC \*  
Jesse DeTeresa, C

#### Baritone Saxophone

Joshua Marcolina, MV \*

#### Trumpet

Matthew O'Connor, MV \*  
Matt Suckling, C  
Matthew Wolek, G  
Andrew Brown, WV  
Dylan Little, PJ

#### Trombone

Morgan Decker, MV \*  
Johanna Wiley, MV  
Travis Silbernagel, WV  
Lauren Knowles, W \*

#### Piano

Kelly Chu, MV \*

#### Vibes

Devin Angelet, W

#### Guitar

Jared Silbernagel, WV

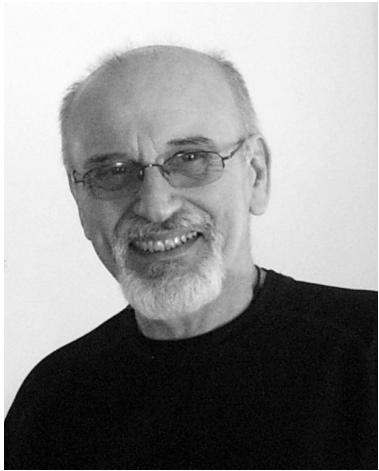
#### Bass

Stephanie Lozina, HF \*

#### Drum Set

Daniel Siper, MV

\* Seniors



**LARRY BALESTRA** is originally from Syracuse, NY. He taught public school Music for 34 years and created the Ulster County All-County Jazz program which has been running successfully since 1985. He is active in NYSSMA as a certified All-State Percussion, Jazz and Major

Organization Adjudicator.

His performing experiences have included: The Ice Capades Orchestra, the Buffalo Philharmonic, the Hudson Valley Philharmonic, Woodstock Chamber Orchestra, Jerry Vale, Don Rickles and with members of The National Symphony in Washington. He has been fortunate to have performed with many Catskill area jazz artists such as: Bobby Johnson Jr., Roswell Rudd, Betty MacDonald and Hugh Brodie. Larry is presently performing with singer/songwriter, Dorraine Scofield as well as The Saints of Swing and his own duo “Jazz Conversations” with guitarist, Jeff Otis. He can be heard on his brother, Rick Balestra’s CD “From the Shore”, Brendan Van Epps’ “When She Dances” and the Kurt Henry release, “Heart, Mind and All”.

He is very grateful to be this year’s Jr. High All-County guest conductor.

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**CHRIS PARKER -** pianist/composer/recording artist. Parker is a Professor of Music and head of Jazz Studies at SUNY Orange in New York. A New York Chancellor’s Award winner, Parker engages



and inspires students as he teaches them the skills they will need as future jazz musicians. Parker is a multi-faceted performer and composer who has written for everything from small jazz groups and chamber ensembles to full symphony orchestra. With a long list of original works, he heads his own group that offers a lineup of Latin, funk and straight-ahead jazz. Contemporary jazz icons Randy Brecker, Bob Minzter, Chris Vadala, Lyn Seaton have all performed with Parker’s Band. His current quartet features New York String Trio violinist, Rob Thomas and the Dave Liebman rhythm section of bassist Tony Marino and drummer Marko Marcinko. His diverse musical mix has brought him a large following in the Northeast and throughout the United States. Reviewing Parker’s CD of original Jazz compositions, “Late in Lisbon, on the OA2 Records label, Ben Ohmart, Assistant Editor of Music Dish says, “Parker is one of the greats...not simply because he knows how to play the piano, but because he knows how to write some truly memorable piano driven jazz”, and Scott Yanow, reviewer for the All Music Guide, calls “Late in Lisbon”,... a particularly strong and memorable release of accessible modern jazz.