

## **HARPUR STUDIO JAZZ BAND AUDITION GUIDELINES**

### **FALL 2022 SEMESTER**

**Auditions will be held on Wednesday, August 31st, at 7PM in FA24**

**All students should bring instruments, with the exception of drums, piano, and vibraphone.**

**A drum set, congas and percussion, vibraphone, acoustic and electric piano and all amplification is provided.**

**Guitar and bass players must bring their own instrument cables.**

**The audition process will involve sight-reading from a selection of jazz combo charts, as well as the opportunity to improvise on simple chord changes, such as a blues or “rhythm changes.”**

**\*Vocalists interested in auditioning for the band should plan to bring 4 copies of a lead sheet for a jazz standard or a popular song in their preferred key (a typical lead sheet is one to two pages with primary emphasis on chord changes and melody).**

**“Studio Jazz Band” is a dynamic and versatile 10 to 12 piece student ensemble, with a vision to explore small to medium group repertoire largely derived from the post-bop era, with an emphasis on Funk, Fusion, Latin Jazz and Contemporary genres. Rehearsals will take place once weekly on Wednesdays from 7-10pm, and the group will do several public performances during the semester, including a formal concert on campus.**

**Feel free to contact Prof. Elder beforehand regarding any specific questions, at [elder@binghamton.edu](mailto:elder@binghamton.edu)**