My Heart Sings: Ellington at 125

Jason Moran, pianist, Artist in Residence

NEC Jazz Orchestra Ken Schaphorst, director

Thursday, February 1, 2024 8:00 p.m. Plimpton Shattuck Black Box Theatre

PROGRAM

An American composer, pianist, bandleader, and originator of big-band music, Duke Ellington's career spanned 50-plus years, thousands of scores, and 14 Grammy Awards. Ellington was bestowed a Pulitzer Prize Special Citation for "recognition of his musical genius, which evoked aesthetically the principles of democracy through the medium of jazz and thus made an indelible contribution to art and culture." His tours introduced American Music across the globe. Self-referred as "beyond category," Ellington influenced countless musicians across genres and continues to do so today.

Duke Ellington

(1899 - 1974)

Black and Tan Fantasy Jason Moran, piano

Reflections in D Xander D'Astolfo

Sophisticated Lady Hidemi Akaiwa, piano

Isfahan Kazuki Tsubakida, piano

Prelude to a Kiss Hyeabin Lee, piano

Satin Doll Longfei Li, piano

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Back Room Romp (A Contrapuntal Stomp)

Transbluency

Jillian Moore, voice Lenka Molcanyiova, alto saxophone Shota Renwick, tenor saxophone, clarinet Matt Wessner, baritone saxophone Woody Pierre, trumpet Aiden Coleman, trombone Jake Walters, piano Kristofer Monson, bass Victor Giraldez, drums

Braggin' in Brass

I Like the Sunrise Aviana Gedler, voice

Jeep's Blues

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Winds

Zack Bacak, alto saxophone Lenka Molcanyiova, alto saxophone Logan From, tenor saxophone Hunter McKay, tenor saxophone Matt Wessner, baritone saxophone

T_{1}	rumpets
Richard Stanmeyer	Koki Renwick
Woody Pierre	Sammy Davies

Trombones

Aiden Coleman Cooper Malanowski Yimin Ji Weza Jamson-Neto, bass trombone

Rhythm

Longfei Li, piano Peikun Liu, guitar Nick Isherwood, bass Dominic Vance, drums

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