Stanford Jazz Workshop 2020-21 Jazz Mentor Fellowship Application Guidelines

Applications to the Jazz Mentors Fellowship should contain all of the following items. SJW will not review an application until we have received all the required materials. *Applications must be sent no later than March 15, 2020. All applicants must be between the ages of 21 and 28 at the time the program begins in July 2020. Applicants also must be able make a two-year commitment, including being present at our summer jazz camp programs July 12-31, 2020 and July 11-30, 2021.*

**Completed application form:** Please fill out the attached form and return it to us with the rest of the application materials.

**Cover letter:** Please submit a cover letter in which you introduce yourself and describe your musical background. Include details about any previous experience teaching, your qualifications as a leader, and your desire to become a mentor within the Stanford Jazz Workshop community.

**Current resume:** Your résumé should include your education and private study experience, teaching experience, notable performances or gigs from the last few years, recordings you've made, and any awards or honors you have received.

**At least two letters of reference:** These should be from teachers or professional musicians who know your work well. These letters should outline the character traits, teaching and leadership skills, and musicianship qualities that make you a good candidate for the Jazz Mentor Fellowship.

**Audition recordings:** The recordings should be clear and representative of your sound. Each recording should be no longer than six minutes, and excerpts are okay. Present the head clearly and take the first solo. Your recordings should show how you play as a member of a group, not just as a featured soloist – especially for rhythm section players. Please submit the following performances in the order specified (note that #4 is not required):

1. A medium-tempo blues
2. A classic jazz ballad of your choice
3. An up-tempo jazz standard or bebop tune
4. Optional – an original composition

You can submit audio or video recordings for your audition. **For audio recordings**, please follow these instructions:

- Send mp3 or m4a files of your recordings to Steven Lugerner, Faculty Director, slugerner@stanfordjazz.org. Label each recording with your last name, first initial, and the title of the tune. Example: SGetz_HowHightheMoon.mp3.
**To submit video recordings**, please follow these instructions:

- Upload the videos to YouTube and email the links to Steven Lugerner, Faculty Director, slugerner@stanfordjazz.org.
- If you do not already have a Google account, you will need to create one to upload your video. If you have one, log in to your Google account. For more on signing up see this page: [http://support.google.com/youtube/bin/answer.py?hl=en-GB&answer=161805&topic=3024170&ctx=topic](http://support.google.com/youtube/bin/answer.py?hl=en-GB&answer=161805&topic=3024170&ctx=topic)
- Upload the video to YouTube, and mark it as an UNLISTED (NOT PRIVATE) video, in the Uploads page of the Video Manager ([http://www.youtube.com/my_videos](http://www.youtube.com/my_videos)). Please note that an unlisted video is accessible to the public, but only if they have the link. Be sure to select “Save changes” after you select “Unlisted”. To see how to mark your video as unlisted, consult this YouTube help page: [http://support.google.com/youtube/bin/answer.py?hl=en-US&answer=157177&rd=1](http://support.google.com/youtube/bin/answer.py?hl=en-US&answer=157177&rd=1)
- Double-click the video to watch it. Open the Share tab (listed below the video), copy the Share This Video link, and email the link to Education Programs Manager, Steven Lugerner (slugerner@stanfordjazz.org). Please include your full name and the words “Jazz Mentors Fellowship Application” in the body of the email.

**Deadlines and requirements**

- Candidates may be asked to conduct a Google or Skype video interview in the spring of 2020.
- All materials must be received electronically no later than March 15, 2020. Applications received after this date will be considered ineligible.
- All applicants will be notified of the selection results no later than May 1st, 2020.
- All applicants must be between the ages of 21 and 28 at the time the program begins in July 2020.
2020-21 JAZZ MENTOR FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Name: ________________________________________________

Date of birth: __________________________________________

Main instrument: _______________________________________

Instrument double(s): ___________________________________

Email address: _________________________________________

Current mailing address: _________________________________

Current city, state, zip: _________________________________

Summer mailing address: _________________________________

Summer city, state, zip: _________________________________

Optional Information: we collect demographic information to help identify the communities we serve. All information below will be held strictly confidential and is optional, and will not affect your application for this program.

Race/Ethnicity
☐ White, non-Hispanic
☐ White, Hispanic
☐ Asian
☐ African American/Black
☐ Native American
☐ Pacific Islander
☐ Two or more races
☐ Decline to state

Gender Identity
☐ Male
☐ Female
☐ Other
☐ Decline to state

Please send this application form, along with your cover letter, current resume, audition recordings, and at least two letters of recommendation, to:

Steven Lugerner, Faculty Director
slugerner@stanfordjazz.org

Please see attached application guidelines for further instructions.