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**JAZZ
IMMERSION
PROGRAMS**

MIDDLE SCHOOL
HIGH SCHOOL
& ADULTS

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SJW FACULTY AT
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JAZZ
WORKSHOP



JOIN US FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE SUMMER AT THE STANFORD JAZZ WORKSHOP!

We are excited to welcome you to the Stanford Jazz Workshop (SJW), where jazz comes alive on the beautiful Stanford campus. This summer, immerse yourself in music, forge new friendships, and learn from some of the most talented artists and educators in the jazz community.

As we celebrate our 53rd year, SJW remains a dynamic hub for experienced musicians, dedicated educators, and passionate young artists. Our camps and the Stanford Jazz Festival bring together accomplished performers who collaborate and share their insights, helping students on their unique musical journeys. Just as our faculty find inspiration and camaraderie at SJW, musicians of all ages and skill levels thrive here.



At SJW, we believe that the jazz community is built on connection and belonging. We create an inclusive environment where every musician — whether a performer, educator, student, or listener — feels welcomed and appreciated. We are dedicated to supporting your personal journey into jazz, offering opportunities for you to discover what resonates with you.

In our classrooms, performance venues, and communal spaces, students and faculty engage in meaningful exchanges, learning and growing together. Many participants and their families describe SJW as a transformative experience that boosts musical confidence and fosters a lasting passion for music. Parents often share how their children discover their creative voices within our nurturing community.

Whether you're a middle school musician just starting to explore jazz, an adult eager to reignite your love for the genre, or a high school student aiming to reach new heights, SJW provides the ideal setting to enhance your skills and connect with fellow jazz enthusiasts.

No matter your age or background, we warmly invite you to join our family and share in the excitement, inspiration, and joy that jazz music brings.

We can't wait to see you this summer!



Cory Combs
Executive Director
Stanford Jazz Workshop



MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Giant Steps Day Camp is a welcoming and nurturing music camp designed for younger musicians. Middle school students flourish under the guidance of SJW's experienced Giant Steps faculty. For current middle school students, rising ninth graders, and those entering middle school in 2025.

JUL 7-11 GIANT STEPS DAY CAMP

FIVE DAYS • DAYTIME ONLY • 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

- For all instrumentalists and vocalists
- Taught by middle school specialists
- No audition required
- No jazz experience required
- Big band and small combo ensembles
- Introduction to improvisation
- Masterclasses
- Fun activities

Tuition: \$915

Lunch option: \$125

Late pickup until 5:00 p.m.: \$200

“OUR SON CAME IN VERY LUKEWARM ABOUT JAZZ BUT LEFT COMPLETELY ENAMORED WITH THE MUSIC AND WITH THE TROMBONE BECAUSE OF THE AMAZING FACULTY AND PROGRAM! REALLY GREAT JOB!”

—GIANT STEPS DAY
CAMP PARENT

RETURNING STUDENTS SAVE \$50

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— JAZZ CAMP PARENT

HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Young musicians ages 17 and under come from all over the globe to immerse themselves in music at Jazz Camp. Whether you have no jazz experience at all, or you’re looking for an immersive jazz program designed to get you to the next level, the safe and supportive environment of the Stanford Jazz Workshop is the perfect place for you.

**JUL 13-18
& 20-25
JAZZ
CAMP**

- For all instrumentalists and vocalists
- Focus on small ensemble performance and improvisation
- Masterclasses, jazz theory, ear training, and more
- Attend evening Stanford Jazz Festival concerts
- Stay on campus or commute from off-campus
- Multi-week packages available

Tuition: \$1,650
**Housing & meals:
\$1,100 per week**

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ADULT AND ALL-AGES PROGRAMS

Jazz Institute is where musicians of all ages get to delve deeper into jazz, spend quality time with some of the greatest jazz artists in the world, and to connect with jazz players from all over. Open to all ages, 14 and up, by audition.

JUL 27-AUG 1 JAZZ INSTITUTE

- For all instrumentalists and vocalists
- Focus on small ensemble performance and improvisation
- Self-directed curriculum, choose your own daily classes and electives
- Instruction and special presentations by the world's greatest artists
- Attend evening Stanford Jazz Festival concerts and jam sessions
- Stay on campus or commute from off-campus
- Multi-week packages available for youth 17 and under

Tuition: \$1,725

**Housing only for adults:
Shared room \$795 per week**

**Housing and meals for minors
only: \$1,100 per week**



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— JAZZ INSTITUTE PARTICIPANT

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SAVE \$100 WITH A TWO-WEEK PACKAGE!

Get more out of SJW with a two-week program - and save \$100 off the cost of tuition! Three options are available for middle school and high school musicians, up to the age of 17.

GIANT STEPS PACKAGE

JUL 7-11 & JUL 13-18

(NO INSTRUCTION ON JULY 12)

FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL MUSICIANS

Commuters: Tuition only **\$2,465**

Residents: Tuition, room, and board **\$3,565**

Week 1: Lunch available

Week 2: Overnight accommodations & meals

This package includes two great weeks of jazz immersion offering a fun introduction to jazz and improvisation tailored specifically for middle school vocalists and instrumentalists. Develop new skills through activities such as:

- Combo rehearsals
- Masterclasses
- Musicianship classes
- Jazz theory classes
- Two Friday Showcases

JAZZ CAMP PACKAGE

JUL 13-JUL 25

FOR MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL MUSICIANS

Commuters: Tuition only **\$3,200**

Residents: Tuition, room, and board **\$5,400**

Includes on-campus housing & meals, & Saturday workshop between weeks

This package provides 13 days of continuous progressive jazz curriculum, with scheduling customized to your needs and skills.

The Jazz Camp Package includes:

- Masterclasses
- Combo rehearsals
- Two private lessons
- Theory and musicianship classes
- Special classes on Saturday, July 19
- Two Friday night Showcases
- Admission to Stanford Jazz Festival performances

ADVANCED PACKAGE

JUL 20-AUG 1

FOR HIGH SCHOOL MUSICIANS

Commuters: Tuition only **\$3,275**

Residents: Tuition, room, and board **\$5,475**

For ages 17 and under only, includes on-campus housing & meals, & Saturday workshop between weeks.

A 13-day immersion with motivated students from around the world, this package takes an inter-generational approach. Week 1 curriculum is structured and Week 2 offers student-selected classes that focuses on improvisation. The package includes:

- Combo rehearsals
- Masterclasses
- Theory and musicianship classes
- Special presentations in composing, arranging, jazz history, improvisation, and more
- Admission to Stanford Jazz Festival performances
- Special classes on Saturday, July 26
- Several jam sessions each evening
- Two Friday Showcases



NEED A HAND GETTING TO SJW? FINANCIAL AID IS AVAILABLE

Stanford Jazz Workshop strives to make jazz education accessible through our Youth Scholarship and Financial Aid Fund, which allows many deserving and talented young jazz musicians to immerse themselves in the study of jazz with some of the leading artists in the world. We make every effort to assist all eligible applicants ages 17 and under who need financial assistance.

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF
ALL FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION
MATERIALS IS **APRIL 15, 2025****

TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID

Fill out the Financial Aid Application online when you register. A \$100 deposit is required, which will be refunded if you are unable to attend due to not receiving enough financial assistance. Following completion of the registration process, we'll send additional application materials to you that you should complete, sign, and return to SJW, to be received no later than the deadline of April 15, 2025.

The Financial Aid Application consists of the following:

- Personal essay written by the participant
- Letter of recommendation from the participant's band director or instructor
- Signed affirmation that any financial information submitted is correct
- Copy of the first page of the most recent tax return of the participant's family

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis and we will notify you of your Financial Aid Application status by **May 2025**.

We'll send detailed instructions with your confirmation email once you've completed the registration process. If you have any questions about financial aid, please call us at **650-736-0324**, email us at registrar@stanfordjazz.org or visit stanfordjazz.org.



GET THE MOST FROM YOUR SJW EXPERIENCE: STAY ON CAMPUS

During Jazz Camp and Jazz Institute, over half of SJW students choose to stay in Stanford housing. Staying on campus while you participate lets you connect to the full range of opportunities that SJW has to offer. All students are invited to attend the evening Stanford Jazz Festival concerts and the after-show jam sessions, where students get to see some of the greatest jazz artists in the world perform – the same artists they learn from during the day. Staying on campus makes the late evening programming easier to access.

Participants aged 13 - 17 stay in Stanford dorms or row houses, which are clean, safe, and very close to our classrooms and concert venues. SJW's meal plan for minors offers flexibility and a range of healthy choices for all meals. Residents stay with students their own age and are supervised by SJW counselors – most of whom are young professional jazz musicians who love talking about music.

Adults stay in dorms or row houses during Jazz Institute, double occupancy only. An optional meal plan for adults is available.

For more information, please call us at **650-736-0324**, email us at registrar@stanfordjazz.org, or visit stanfordjazz.org.

CANCELLATION AND REFUNDS

If you must withdraw your application for a summer program, do so on or by May 15, 2025, to receive a full refund, minus your deposit. If you cancel on or by June 1, 2025, you'll receive a 50% refund, minus deposit. Cancellations after June 1, 2025, will not be refunded.

For information on deadlines, deposits, and payment, visit stanfordjazz.org. Programs and pricing subject to change without notice.

NO-STRESS PLACEMENT RECORDINGS & AUDITION RECORDINGS

All participants in our Jazz Camp must submit recordings for placement. All Jazz Institute applicants must submit audition recordings for acceptance. When you register, we'll send you details about how to prepare your recording using our easy-to-use online app, and your recording deadline. If you've never improvised before, don't worry! Your placement recording will still help us to place you in a combo with students at your own level of musical experience.

Giant Steps Day Camp participants may do their placement evaluations in person at Stanford University, at a date in June to be announced soon. When you register, we'll send you the dates and details on the placement evaluation process.

