



Founded in 1958 as a 501c3
the Monterey Jazz Festival has been committed to
providing high quality jazz education since the beginning.





The **Next Generation Women in Jazz Combo** is a small ensemble comprised of a select group of top high school women jazz players from throughout the United States, directed by award-winning bassist, vocalist and composer, **Katie Thiroux**. Now in its third year, the Women in Jazz Combo study and perform with Terri Lyne Carrington and other esteemed faculty at Berklee College of Music in Boston and the Institute of Jazz and Gender Justice.





Each year, Monterey Jazz Festival brings together 21 of the most accomplished high school jazz musicians from across the country to form an all-star touring jazz orchestra – the **Next Generation Jazz Orchestra**. In 2021, this all-star big band will have the opportunity to be personally mentored by Band Director Gerald Clayton, take master classes with Artist-in-Residence Christian Sands, and perform together at the 64th Monterey Jazz Festival.



We believe jazz is a "handed down" art form best learned from personal interaction and mentorship. We give young people access to work directly with world-class professional artists.



2021 Artist-in-Residence, Christian Sands



Musical Director for the Next Generation
Women in Jazz Combo, Katie Thiroux



Musical Director for the Next Generation Jazz Orchestra,
Gerald Clayton





As we reflect on how we adapted to the impacts of COVID on music performance in 2020 and look towards 2021, we recognize that NOW is the time to ensure our flagship jazz band programs – the Next Generation Jazz Orchestra and Next Generation Women in Jazz Combo – reflect the ethnic and gender diversity we see on the MJF stages.

Your Support Today will Support this Important Work



The Next Generation of Jazz is Born at Monterey



Ambrose Akinmusire



Joshua Redman



Elena Pinderhughes



Patrice Rushen



Benny Green

The Monterey Jazz Festival has a legacy of nurturing the next generation of jazz talent through our education programs. Your support today will support tomorrow's jazz stars.





Become a Sponsor Today!

Support these talented young people on their musical and personal development by becoming a Next Generation of Jazz sponsor. Your sponsorship welcomes them into the Monterey Jazz Festival family, providing these incredibly talented young people a once in a lifetime opportunity to build a relationship with some of the best musicians in jazz, and receive valuable mentorship and musical guidance.



\$1,000 will support one of the Next Generation Jazz Orchestra or Women in Jazz Combo Members

\$5,000 will support five of the Next Generation Jazz Orchestra or Women in Jazz Combo Members

\$6,000 will support the entire Next Generation Women in Jazz Combo

\$10,000 will support the 2021 Next Generation Jazz Orchestra's Band Director Gerald Clayton, 2021 Women in Jazz Combo Band Director Katie Thiroux, or the 2021 Artist-in-Residence Christian Sands

** If you are interested in sponsoring the full Next Generation Jazz Orchestra, please contact Elizabeth Welden-Smith at 831.233.3711*

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