CMEA - BAY SECTION JAZZ SIGHT READING RUBRIC

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ACCURACY OF RHYTHM – 10 points Correct reading of rhythms and meters. Recovery from errors.	 Rhythmic accuracy and pre-inaccurate. The group rarel Rhythmic errors cause the Interpretation of meters an are often inaccurate. 	ly rectifies rhythms. group to stop and restart.	 Rhythmic accuracy and precision are correct some of the time. Frequent rhythmic errors occur and group is able to rectify rhythms some of the time. Interpretation of meters and metric divisions of the beat are sometimes inaccurate/unstable. 			 Rhythmic accuracy and precision are correct much of the time. Some rhythmic errors occur and group is able to rectify subsequent rhythms most of the time. Interpretation of meters and metric divisions of the beat are usually correct, with minor flaws. 			 Rhythmic accuracy and precision are performed accurately nearly all the time. Very few (if any) rhythmic errors occur and group is able to rectify subsequent rhythms. Interpretation of all meters and metric divisions of the beat are accurate and tasteful. 		
ACCURACY OF NOTES – 10 points Note accuracy, accidentals, key signatures.	 Note accuracy, accidentals and/or adherence to key signatures are frequently inaccurate. Persistent errors prevent a cohesive performance of the music. 		 Note accuracy, accidentals and adherence to key signatures are correct some of the time. Numerous errors occur, resulting in an uneven performance of the music. 			 Note accuracy, accidentals and key signatures are performed accurately most of the time. Some errors occur, but overall performance is satisfactory. 			 Note accuracy, accidentals and key signatures are performed accurately nearly all the time. Very few errors occur, resulting in an outstanding performance. 		
STYLE/INTERPRETATION – 10 points Feel, articulation, phrasing, choice of tempo, and inflection.	 Phrasing, musicianship skills, or air control are lacking in the performance. Appropriate jazz articulations and style are lacking or inaccurately performed. Tempo choice is inappropriate for the selection performed. 		 Phrasing is appropriate, but inconsistent. Appropriate jazz articulations and style are not always uniformly performed. Tempo choice or changes in tempo may be inconsistent or not always appropriate. 			 Phrasing is appropriate, most of the time. Most players demonstrate an understanding of appropriate jazz articulations and style. Tempo choice or changes in tempo are usually tasteful and consistent, with minor flaws. 			 Phrasing and inflection are highly musical. Appropriate jazz articulations and style are consistently appropriate and tasteful. Tempo choice or changes in tempo are tastefully performed and consistent. 		
MUSICALITY – 10 points Listening, blend and balance, intonation, interaction, and dynamics.	 The group's listening skills and concept of tone, balance and blend need further development. Individuals/sections dominate the balance. Intonation errors are obvious and musicians rarely make adjustments to pitch. Rhythm section and ensemble interaction is lacking. Limited ability to perform beyond the technical aspects of the music. 		 The group performs with a basic sense of tone, balance and blend. Individuals/sections sometimes dominate. Intonation errors are apparent and musicians have difficulty adjusting pitch. Limited rhythm section and ensemble interaction. Dynamic contrasts attempted, but with limited range. 			 Blend and balance are generally good, which reflects excellent listening skills across the ensemble. Minor intonation errors occur, but musicians usually demonstrate ability to adjust. Rhythm section and ensemble interaction is evident. Crescendos, diminuendos and other dynamic indications are tasteful most of the time. 			 Blend and balance is consistent most of the time, reflecting superior listening skills throughout the ensemble. Outstanding intonation throughout the performance. Clear rhythm section and ensemble interaction throughout the performance. Outstanding performance that explores entire dynamic spectrum. 		
TIME – 10 points Pulse, tempo, and drive.	 Rhythm section is not together. Problems with notes/rhythms cause time and feel to suffer. 		 Rhythm section drive, and steadiness of beat are sometimes good, but mostly inconsistent. Little attention paid to time and groove due to the execution of notes and rhythms. 			 Rhythm section drive and steadiness of beat, are generally good, with only minor lapses in difficult situations. Solid sense of time and groove appropriate for the style(s) being performed. 			 Rhythm section drive and steadiness of beat, are outstanding. Exceptional sense of time and groove appropriate to style(s) being performed. 		
IMPROVISATION – 10 points Vocabulary, time, technique, and adherence to chord changes.	 Soloists lack a basic understanding of fundamental jazz vocabulary. Incorrect notes and scales are used most of the time. Time is erratic and does not coincide with time coming from the rhythm section. 		 Soloists demonstrate limited understanding of jazz style or vocabulary. Incorrect notes/scales over chord changes. Time and/or rhythm of solos are unsteady. 			 Soloists demonstrate an above-average understand ing of jazz style and appropriate jazz vocabulary. Note/scale selection is accurate most of the time. Soloists perform with a good sense of time. Flaws occur during attempts at complex lines . 			 Soloists have a mature understanding of style, form, and jazz vocabulary. Note/scales selection accurately fit the chord changes. Soloists demonstrate mature sense of time and rhythmic accuracy. 		
GROUP DISCIPLINE – 10 points Alertness and cooperation. Attention to instructions. Adherence to festival sight reading procedures.	 □ The group's concentration, and/or deportment needs i □ Inattentive/disruptive beha period hinder performance □ Sight reading procedures with the group did not follow instance 	mprovement. viors during instruction . vere not followed and/or	are sometimes good Group deportment is inattentiveness.	s inconsistent; some mindures and/or instructions	or	 □ The group demonstand deportment. □ Attentiveness and a □ Sight reading processing were usually follows: 	awareness are very g edures and/or instruc	ood.	☐ The group demons and professional dominate ☐ Outstanding attent ☐ Sight reading procure were consistently for the consistent of the consistency of the consis	eportment. veness and awarene edures and/or instruc ollowed.	ess.