## MAINE JAZZ CAMP INFORMATION PACKET - July 7-13, 2024

Day Scholar/Overnighter Roommate Request:

Deposit paid: \$ via Venmo/Zelle. Balance Due: \$

## Dear

Welcome to Maine Jazz Camp! As a recipient of this letter you have paid your tuition deposit for this year's summer session. Please consider this letter a receipt for your \$100 deposit. The balance of your tuition is due before camp starts. If that is absolutely not possible, you may bring the balance of the tuition to Registration but please DO NOT MAIL any checks to me in Brooklyn after July 1. Details regarding your attendance are above.

Along with this Information Letter which includes a schedule for the first day of camp, you are receiving a Medical Form and a Rules and Regulations Sheet. Please make sure you sign wherever necessary on these forms. You can scan and email the completed forms to me or bring them with you to camp. If you have any questions, please contact me at mainejazzcamp@earthlink.net or telephone 718-499-9051. The camp mailing address when camp is NOT in session is Van Brunt Station, P.O. Box 150-597, Brooklyn NY 11215.

ADDRESS OF RESIDENCE HALL We will be staying in Scott Hall at 245 Main Street at the University of Maine in Farmington.

If you happen to be flying in to Portland Airport or arriving by bus, we can make arrangements to pick you up and bring you to UMF.

REGISTRATION will be held on Sunday July 7 between the hours of 1:00 and 3:00 pm in the lobby of Scott Hall during which time you will have a chance to settle into your dorm room.

Orientation is at 3:00 pm followed by individual auditions from 3:30-4:45 (Locations will be posted). The schedule for the day starting on Monday July 8 will be posted daily in a prominent place. Phones will be kept with MJC administration while classes are in session.

DORMITORY: At registration, each camper will be assigned a room with double occupancy for those under 21 years of age. If you have a roommate request, please submit it to me BEFORE camp if possible. Particularly because of covid, each camper is responsible for bringing their own linen and other necessities including sheets, pillows, pillow cases, blankets, towels, soap, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, medication, etc. Label your personal belongings and please be careful where you leave your belongings. Jazz Camp cannot be held responsible for the loss of stolen property but if you leave something behind with a name and address you will most likely get it back if you contact the Conference and Facilities Dept. at UMF (attention Ernestine Hutchinson tel number 207-778-7344). You may consider bringing a fan as the rooms can get stuffy. Each room is equipped with a mini refrigerator and a microwave. Laundry facilities are available in the

dorm. Casual, comfortable clothing is recommended. There is no dress code for the concerts. Please keep your spending money to a minimum if you are residing in the dorm. You might only need cash to buy faculty cds, camp merch or snacks etc. Meals will be organized by camp administration and the first meal is dinner Sunday July 7.

COUNSELORS: Our counselors include Paul Lichter, Shane Simpson, Priya Carlberg, Mwanzi Harriott, Rahul Carlberg all with prior experience of working with the students of Maine Jazz Camp.

ENSEMBLES: Every student is placed into an ensemble following an audition. On Monday morning, lists will be posted with the make-up of all the ensembles. Placement takes into consideration all jazz related skills, such as reading, improvisation, theory and ear training. Other factors such as age and experience are also taken into account. All students are encouraged to develop a regular practice schedule well before coming to camp. (Some tips for practice include working on major and minor scales, arpeggios, sight reading and recognizing rhythmic patterns. Please do not worry if you are not able to do all this as we have faculty who will help you during your stay at camp. However, the more prepared you are, the faster you will improve in your ability to improvise and interpret this music)

PRACTICE TIME: We have allotted certain times and locations for any camper who might want to practice during the week. The camper must sign up and inform a counselor IN ADVANCE when and where he/she is going to practice. The times available would be either immediately after breakfast or in the evening before and after the faculty concert and the locations will be specified when you get to UMF. Out of consideration for your fellow campers please do not practice in your dorm room.

GYM: We will have access to the UMF's Health and Fitness Center that also has a pool. There is a \$20 charge for the week or you can pay \$8 per visit.

MEALS: Meals will be served in the University Cafeteria in the Olsen Center at UMF. The first meal is dinner on Sunday July 7 evening and the final meal is breakfast on Saturday July 13 morning in the dorm lounge right before the final student concert. In between you get three meals a day. Meals are not included for day scholars.

EVENING CONCERTS: From Sunday through Thursday evening, a different faculty member is featured in concert. All concerts begin at 8:00 pm at the main performance space. Concerts are a mandatory part of your curriculum. Out of respect for the artists on stage, please arrive early; attendance will be taken before each concert.

Student concerts will be held on Friday July 12 evening at 6:30 pm and on Saturday July 13 morning at 10:00 am at the Roberts Learning Center or Emery Arts. All campers must perform at both student concerts and are permitted to leave directly after his/her/their ensemble has performed on Saturday morning if he/she/they must. Parents may attend both Friday evening and Saturday morning performances.

FACULTY: Our faculty has been selected from various parts of New York, New Jersey and Massachusetts and Maine and are extremely committed and dedicated to both teaching and performing this music. They are friendly, accessible people who are at camp to help you. Please do not hesitate to ask questions or chat with them.

A DAILY SCHEDULE will be posted daily. Please adhere to your schedule and Be On Time.

A tentative daily schedule is as follows:

7:30 -8:00 am Breakfast; 8:30-9:30 am Master Class; 9:45-11:45 am Ensemble; 12:00 - 12:30pm Lunch; 1:00-2:00 Ear Training; 2:00-3:00 Clinic; 3:00-3:30 pm Break; 3:30-445 pm Ensemble; 5:00-5:45 pm Dinner; 5:45-6:30 Meet in the Landing; 6:30-7:45 pm Sign up Activities(Gym/Jam Session); 8:00 pm Faculty Concert in C131; 10:00 pm Dorm Floor

CELL PHONES: Due to the distracting nature of cell phones, they will not be permitted during classes, ensembles or concerts. You will be allowed to use your phone during breaks. Your phone will be labeled and kept safely with the counselors. Phones will be returned to you on the last day of camp.

PARENTS VISITS AND CONTACT INFO: Parents or guardians are welcome any time to check out rehearsals or concerts. Please give me a call (cell # 718-499-9051 or Priya Carlberg at 646-965-4317). The best time for parents to reach campers is from 7:45 am - 8:30 am, between noon and 1:00 pm, 4:45-7:45 pm or after 9:30 pm. Our camp mailing address while camp is in session is Maine Jazz Camp, University of Maine @ Farmington, Scott Hall, 245 Main Street, Farmington ME 04938.

MUSIC MATERIALS: Please bring your instrument. ONLY pianos are provided. Drummers drop off drums at Scott Hall on Sunday afternoon. Guitarists and bassists please bring amps and drop them off at Scott Hall. Vocalists please bring microphones. Please bring music stands, music paper notebooks and extras for your instrument such as reeds, strings, etc. Please make sure your instrument is in good working order before you come to camp. If you encounter any small problems with your horn during camp, please mention it to your instructor and we will do all we can to fix the problem.

INSTRUMENT INSURANCE: The insurance of your instrument against theft and damage is the responsibility of the camper. Maine Jazz Camp cannot take the responsibility in case of theft, damage or loss of personal items.

ROOM KEYS/SECURITY DEPOSIT: Everyone will receive a keycard for the front entrance of the residence building. There is a \$15 security deposit fee for a lost keycard so please be careful. It would be appreciated if you made a separate check out to Maine Jazz Camp for this amount. It is highly recommended that you do not bring anything of value to camp (eg laptops or other devices). Your instruments will be safe. Parents: This year UMF has hiked the dorm room key fee drastically so students will not be receiving a dorm room key. If

they bring anything of value and wish to have it locked they should give it to me or one of the counselors for safe keeping.

COMMUNICATION: If you are new to Maine Jazz Camp, please do not wait until half way through the week to talk to me or a counselor if you need to talk about something. The doors of communication are always open any time.

If anyone would like to make a donation, all you have to do is make a check our to MAINE JAZZ CAMP and include a note indicating your intention i.e. if it is for an individual student or simply a general donation. So if you are in a financial position to do so please consider the students of Maine Jazz Camp.

LIFE AT MAINE JAZZ CAMP: You are surrounded by people your own age who are there for the same reasons as you. Friendships that are cultivated at camp continue throughout the year. Things are really quite simple at MJC, we eat, sleep and play music. Absolutely no one goes away from their week at camp without some sense of musical accomplishment.

IF YOU NEED TO REACH ME ONCE CAMP HAS BEGUN, PLEASE CALL MY CELL at 718-499-9051. I am more likely to receive your telephone message faster than emails while camp is in session.

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## SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY July 7, 2024

1:00 - 3:00 pm. Registration in lobby of dorm

3:00-3:30 pm. Orientation

3:30-4:45 pm Student Auditions

5:00-5:30 pm Dinner in Cafeteria (Olsen Student Center building)

5:45-6:30 pm. The Landing for intro session (room below the Cafeteria)

6:30-7:45 pm Sign up activities

8:00pm Faculty Concert

10:00 pm Dorm floor