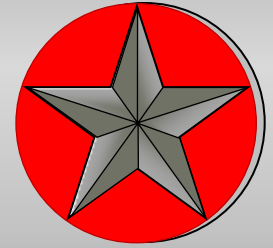


Texas Jazz Educators Association Newsletter

February 2022



** Special Addendum **

[Editor: Apologies to Dr. Andrew Stonerock for the omission of his article in the February Newsletter. The Article is displayed here as a special addendum. (Note to self: Always check the spam folder.)]

2022 Tarleton Jazz Festival featuring Tia Fuller!!

Greetings directors and colleagues!

The Department of Fine Arts at Tarleton State University is proud to invite you to participate in the 60th annual Tarleton Jazz Festival on April 29-30, 2022! This year's festival has been expanded to include the option of performing on Friday, April 29 or Saturday, April 30!

Our guest artist this year is Grammy-nominated **Tia Fuller**. Blending technical brilliance, melodic creativity, and the performing precision drawn from both her academic and stage experience, Fuller is a force to be reckoned with in the jazz world. Fuller was selected to be a member of the all-female band touring with Grammy-winning pop star **Beyoncé** and was also the saxophone "voice" of **Doretha Williams** in the Disney/Pixar movie *Soul*. As an artist, performer, and teacher, Fuller feels that she is fulfilling her purpose here on this earth, which is to "serve as a light for others."

This festival will offer your students the opportunity to perform and receive adjudication by well-respected jazz educators. Each ensemble will get a 30-minute time slot to perform and a separate 30-minute clinic from an adjudicator. There will also be educational clinics available for you and your students, including two clinics by **Tia Fuller**.

Like last year, any student receiving an Outstanding Soloist award will receive a \$500 scholarship to Tarleton State University. In addition, the top high school big band and/or combo winner will be invited to be a featured ensemble at next year's festival. Educational clinics will be offered throughout the day and the Tarleton State jazz combos will lead jam sessions to allow your students to interact with other high school students.

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The registration cost is \$250 for a large ensemble (more than 6 horns) and \$200 for a small ensemble (6 horns or fewer). This registration cost includes tickets for the both the Friday concert with the Tarleton Jazz Faculty featuring **Tia Fuller** and the Saturday Awards Concert with the Tarleton Jazz Ensembles featuring **Tia Fuller**.

There is also an option for a virtual submission. Virtual submissions will receive written feedback. Virtual submissions are not eligible for the competitive portion of the festival.

For deadlines, fees, and registration, please visit:

<https://www.tarleton.edu/jazz/festival/registration.html>

If you have any questions please contact **Dr. Andrew Stonerock** (Head of Jazz Studies) at stonerock@tarleton.edu. We look forward to seeing you at the festival!

TARLETON JAZZ FESTIVAL



Featuring:

TIA FULLER

Grammy-nominated, music composer, and well-known for her work with:

BEYONCÉ



April 29th and April 30th, 2022
Clyde H. Wells Fine Arts Center Auditorium