

**Union League Civic and Arts Foundation
Jazz Arranging Competition
2012 Rules**

Award Information:

The Union League Civic & Arts Foundation will grant a total of \$5,000 in awards for Jazz Arranging. Award amounts per division will be determined based on the quality of the arrangement and the number of entrants in a given division. It is our intention to give at least one award per division.

Objective:

To compose an original arrangement of a previously written jazz, popular or pop song in the jazz or light rock idiom for an average college or advanced high school jazz band. It should allow for improvisation.

Entrance Rules:

1. The entrant must be:
 - Living and/or studying within a 100 miles radius of the Chicago loop.
 - Between the ages of 14 to 27 years old as of March 1, 2012
2. The arrangement:
 - Minimum length of three minutes, maximum of eight minutes.
 - May be consistent with what you or others are doing in composition classes.
 - Can have any number of voices (but should be voiced for at least 4 non-rhythm instruments). It does not have to be a big band chart.
3. Each entrant may submit one or two arrangements: however, an entrant may only win one award. Do not submit original melodic compositions in this category.
4. Divisions: Entrants will be judged against peers in one of three divisions:
 - High School - ages 14-17 as of March 1, 2012.
 - College - ages 18-22 as of March 1, 2012, not attending high school.
 - Young adult - ages 23-27 as of March 1, 2012.
5. The deadline is June 1, 2012 at 11:59 p.m. for online submissions. Paper applications must be postmarked no later than June 1, 2012.
6. Entrants may submit their applications by mail or electronically. Entrants are encouraged but not required to submit live or electronic recordings (in Finale, etc.), preferably in CD format.
7. Entrant must submit two copies of the score and a completed entry form. Scores and entry forms may also be submitted online at www.civicanarts.org.

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8. The arranger's name should not appear on the work.
9. Performance Possibility: Although it is often difficult to publically perform original arrangements at the Union League, the in-house jazz performance group, The Jazz Union, might perform the piece at one of their events. The instrumentation of the Jazz Union is presently trumpet, Tenors (2), Bari or Alto sax, flute, piano, bass, drums and guitar. Note that arranging for this instrumentation will neither help not hurt your chances or assure you a performance opportunity. You will be judged only by the quality of the arrangement.

To The Entrants:

1. The judges reserve the right to withhold any and all awards, if in their opinion, the arrangement(s) do not merit awards.
2. Awards may be given at a CAF event or mailed.

General Award Information:

1. Union League Club and Foundation employees are not eligible.
2. The Union League Civic & Arts Foundation reserves the right to use the awardees' names and songs on our website and in our publications.

See General Rules of the Foundation for more information.

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2012 APPLICATION FORM

Please fill in the application according to the rules. You are encouraged to apply via CAF's website at www.civicanarts.org. If necessary, you may also mail your application to: Executive Director, Union League Civic & Arts Foundation, 65 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60604-3598. All applications must be received by February 1, 2012.

Please check the category under which you are entering:

High School division (ages 14 to 17 as of March 1, 2012): _____

College division (ages 18 to 22 as of March 1, 2012): _____

Young Adult division (ages 23 to 27 as of March 1, 2012): _____

Applicant: *(Please type or print)*

Name: _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: _____ **Hours entrant can be reached:** _____

Date of Birth: _____

Email Address: _____

Parents Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Email Address: _____

School:

School now attending: _____ **Class:** _____

Name of present music teacher: _____

Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

School or Private Studio (address): _____

Other teachers, length of study, dates:

How did you hear about the competition? _____

Instrument: _____

I hereby certify that I am eligible to enter this program according to the rules printed and I accept all conditions of the program.

Signature of applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

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