

Educational Programs

1. **Jazz History Program.** The program would be open to all students (not just the music students) of your school or organization. Curtis Taylor along with his band would give a brief history of Jazz from its early origins up to present day. The program would include songs that showcase the evolution of styles in Jazz. Also, each member of the band will speak about the specifics of their instrument and its roll in Jazz music.
2. **Jazz Workshop.** The Jazz Workshop would involve Curtis Taylor (and/or his group) coming in to offer his expertise with your music students on their current repertoire. This would involve listening, critiquing, and offering suggestions for areas of improvement. In addition, approaches to improvisation (soloing) and what that means in Jazz are discussed.
3. **Master-class.** A short presentation of topics such as: "Setting Yourself Up For Success", "How To Improvise" and "Developing An Effective Practice Routine". Masterclasses offer concepts that are specifically designed to give students ways to improve on their instruments and performance in Jazz. Masterclasses are best suited for students that are interested in taking their musicianship beyond the classroom.

****COST****

The Jazz History Program price ranges from \$1000 -\$2000. The program can be performed with duo, trio or quartet (which includes drums). The instrumentation for the duo consists of trumpet and piano/keyboard, the trio consists of trumpet, piano and bass. The quartet (full band) would be: trumpet, piano, bass and drums. The duo would be the affordable option. While the quartet would provide the best musical and educational experience. The fee for the Jazz Workshop and the Masterclass is \$1000. Curtis Taylor is an award-winning trumpeter, recording artist and professor at the University of Iowa. He often gives performances and teaches masterclasses and workshops at organizations such as: Universities, school and libraries. If you are interested in having him present one of the programs listed above, please send your inquiry to Gwendolyn Jones at: booking@curtistaylor.net.

Thank you for your interest.