

National Jazz Festival returns to Philadelphia

After three years of successfully hosting an in person and two virtual festivals, the National Jazz Festival announces their 2023 event at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia on April 22.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 19, 2022 – The National Jazz Festival will present its annual festival at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia on April 22, 2023. Registration is now open with a sign-up deadline of Nov. 30, 2022. Various categories are open for high school and middle school participation including: jazz bands, vocal groups, individual vocalists, composers, and middle school bands. The National Jazz Festival is an inclusive event and does not require an audition. The festival is free and open to the public.

The National Jazz Festival is a youth education initiative that is growing rapidly. A small team of volunteers runs the festival and has successfully hosted over a thousand students each year since 2020.

During this festival student musicians and vocalists perform and receive valuable feedback from experienced adjudicators. Jazz clinics are held throughout the day. Special exhibitors and college representatives are at the festival to engage with attendees. The festival ends with an evening awards ceremony.

Comments we have gotten from attendees:

“NJF provides excellent opportunities for young musicians to learn and perform jazz music with clinicians and friends from across the country.”

“One of my favorite festivals ever!”

“For years I have waited for a quality festival that supports middle school jazz ensembles. The National Jazz Festival is doing what Berklee never offered for this age level. Bravo.”

About National Jazz Festival, Inc.

The National Jazz Festival’s mission is to provide a constructive, inclusive, joyful educational experience for all aspiring jazz musicians and vocalists in middle schools and high schools around the nation. Instagram: Facebook: <https://www.nationaljazzfestival.org>