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Schwob Jazz Orchestra Presents Live Big Band Jazz At The Loft

(Columbus, Georgia) The **Schwob Jazz Orchestra**, the flagship large ensemble of the Columbus State University Jazz Studies Program, will perform its fourth annual "Uptown Jazz" show featuring two exciting and swinging sets of big band jazz. The concert, a part of the "Jazz at the Loft" Jazz Concert Series will be held from 7:00 to 9:00 PM, Friday, November 11, 2016 at The Loft Music Hall located in The Loft Upstairs Restaurant (1032 Broadway) in Uptown Columbus. Admission is free and all community members are encouraged to attend. Tickets and/or reservations are not necessary; guests under the age of 21 are welcomed. More information is available at 706-649-7277 or at music.columbusstate.edu/jazz.

The **Schwob Jazz Orchestra** is a 19-piece large jazz ensemble focused on presenting the best in contemporary and classic big band music. For this concert, the band will be featuring the music of a wide variety of jazz big band icons. Selections will include *Machito* and *A Foggy Day* from the Stan Kenton Orchestra, an arrangement of the Blood, Sweat and Tears hit *Alone* by Lou Marini, *Back Home Again in Indiana* from the Clayton-Hamilton Jazz Orchestra, *Dancing Nitely* from the band of trumpet great Maynard Ferguson, *Freckle Face* and *The Swizzle* from library of Count Basie, and an edgy, modern performance of *Bodysnatchers* from alternative rock band Radiohead.

Under the direction of Dr. Kevin Whalen, the Jazz Studies Program builds upon the mission of the Columbus State University Schwob School of Music by offering its students engaging jazz performance opportunities synchronized with in-depth study of jazz music. The program also hosts several small jazz combos, a jazz workshop experience, and a thorough curriculum of jazz courses designed to enhance performance ability and prepare future music educators to teach jazz in their communities.

The next performance from the Columbus State University Jazz Studies Program will take place November 30, 2016 at The Loft featuring the **Schwob Jazz Quartet** and the **Cannonball Jazz Quintet**.