

Musical Presentations

"Kidjazz"

This presentation explores the roots of jazz and takes the audience through a chronological journey culminating in today's jazz-fusion styles. The ensemble consists of four or five versatile musicians.

Approximate time- 1 hr.

Program highlights:

The rhythm section- (piano, bass, drums). Musicians demonstrate their instruments and discuss their role within the ensemble.

Introduction to wind instruments - Demonstration of woodwind and/or brass instruments.

Improvisation - Presented in an accessible format whereby a simple children's song is played and improvised on.

Jazz styles - Various jazz styles (New Orleans Dixieland, Ragtime, Be-bop, Modern, etc.) are presented through excerpts of classic standards.

Latin and Brazilian rhythms - Performance of Latin jazz and bossa-nova. Features audience participation using accessory percussion instruments.

Fusion - Jazz styles are combined with contemporary rhythms such as funk, and hip-hop.

Norbert Goldberg is a performer and educator with a wide range of experience. As a drummer and percussionist he has worked with Broadway legends such as Chita Rivera, Sandy Duncan, and Tommy Tune. He has played in Broadway shows including *Dancin'*, *A Chorus Line*, *Grease*, and *Once on this Island* and has accompanied diverse artists like Cleo Laine, Lalo Shifrin, Michel Legrand, Gerry Mulligan and Grover Washington Jr.

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