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### BUCKS COUNTY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER (BCPAC) SPONSORS PENNSBURY CONCERT JAZZ BAND

-----Yardley, PA, March 8, 2010

The Bucks County Performing Arts Center concludes its 2009-2010 concert season with a popular local ensemble that has made quite an international name for itself over the years. That would be the youthful and always polished Pennsbury High School Concert Jazz Band. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m on Saturday, April 10, in the **Yardley Community Centre**, 64 South Main St., Yardley

The Pennsbury Concert Jazz Band goes back generations in its illustrious 50 year history as an integral part of the Pennsbury instrumental music program. During that time, it has performed on NBC's *Tonight Show*, at the Newport Jazz Festival, and the Montreaux Jazz Festival, as well as at venues in England, France, and Canada. It also has the special and unique honor of being the only American high school jazz band ever to be invited to perform throughout the People's Republic of China. To further add to its resume, the ensemble has opened for the Dave Brubeck Quartet at the Villanova Jazz Festival, and has performed with such renowned jazz stars as Stan Kenton, Bill Watrous, Terrell Stafford, Maynard Ferguson, Carl Allen and many others. In recent years the band has performed at Lincoln Center in New York City, participating in the first annual "Essentially Ellington Festival" hosted by the great Wynton Marsalis. This past December, the band toured London, England and performed at St. John's Cathedral.

Many compositions have been composed for the PCJB by such jazz great, Grammy-award winning composers as Sammy Nestico, Frank Mantooth, and Bob Mintzer.

The 20 highly talented young men and women that make up the band rehearse 2 ½ hours every day after school from December until the end of May. The band is under the superb direction and leadership of Mr. Frank Mazzeo.

Tickets are available for \$15, \$12 (seniors) & \$8 (students). Please send your check to BCPAC at 1140 Edgewood Road, Yardley, PA 19067 and include a self-addressed stamped envelope. Your tickets will be mailed back to you. You can also contact the BCPAC office at (215) 493-3010 or visit [www.bcpac.org](http://www.bcpac.org) for tickets and more information. Tickets will also be available at the Community Centre prior to the performance.

BCPAC is a registered non-profit organization based in Lower Makefield Township. Its mission is the creation of community through the arts.

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