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El Camino College Studio Jazz Band to Present a Swinging Night of Jazz

The El Camino College Studio Jazz Band will present a swinging night of straight-ahead big band jazz at 8 p.m. November 30 in Haag Recital Hall.

The El Camino College Studio Jazz Band is a preparatory jazz ensemble. The group focuses on introducing intermediate music students to the standard big band repertoire, section playing, ensemble blend, and developing stylistic jazz interpretation skills.

Under the direction of critically acclaimed saxophonist and faculty member David Sills, the fall concert will feature a mix of Great American Songbook standards, as well as classic and modern jazz tunes. Arrangements and compositions include artists Bobby Timmons, Sammy Nestico, John Clayton, Billy Strayhorn, Dizzy Gillespie, and more!

A South Bay native, Sills has established himself as one of the premier jazz saxophonists in Southern California. He has a bachelor's degree in saxophone performance from California State University, Long Beach and a master's degree in jazz studies from the Manhattan School of Music in New York City. Sills has toured throughout the U.S., Europe and Asia with his band, the David Sills Quartet, in addition to performing with ECC alumnus David Benoit, The Acoustic Jazz Quartet, Line Up and The Liam Sillery Quintet.

Tickets for the concert are \$10 each and may be purchased online at <u>www.centerforthearts.org</u>, by phone at 310-329-5345 or toll-free at 800-832-ARTS. The Ticket Office is open Monday through Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Campus parking is \$3. The El Camino College Haag Recital Hall is located at 16007 Crenshaw Boulevard, Torrance.

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