## Syllabus Music 131 – Jazz Improvisation

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## **Course Description**

An extensive study of jazz improvisation, including performance techniques, concepts, and styles. Students' theoretical knowledge will be applied to their instruments, and a repertory of melodic and harmonic devices will be mastered. The class culminates in a live performance at which each student will be called upon to improvise and to work collectively as an ensemble.

## CONCERT DATE: March 4, 2003 at 8pm in Mandeville Recital Hall

## **Class Expectations**

- Attendance is expected at every session
- Bring your instrument and music to every session and be prepared and set-up by the beginning of class
- Practice the class repertoire during the week so that we may make improvements as the quarter progresses
- Think about the possibility of composing music for the class ensemble or suggesting repertoire that you are interested in working on or performing