

Alaska Jazz Workshop  
Summer 2023

# Jazz



## Improvisation Camp

Grade 7-Adult

July 31 - August 5, 2023



### Explore

Jazz, Blues, Funk  
& Latin music  
with guest artist

### Mark Walker

internationally acclaimed Latin Jazz  
drummer & educator and  
AJW instructors:

**John Damberg**

**Mark Manners**

**Nick Petumenos**

**Jacques Annandale** and more...

# Real-world jazz training with performance & theory.

**Explore the Expressive Art of Jazz**  
**Improvisation** in small music combos of 4-8  
students this summer with guest artist Mark  
Walker & Alaska Jazz master artists: John  
Damberg, Mark Manners, Nick Petumenos,  
Jacques Annandale and more.

Meet new students who share your passion  
for creating and playing fun music and develop  
your improvisation & practical music theory  
skills, while building your song repertoire and  
learning interesting music history stories.

Beginning to advanced sections will be  
offered for grade 7 - Adult instrumental and vocal  
students (Depending on the number of students  
enrolled and their playing levels). Students  
will have an extensive hands-on opportunity  
to explore & develop their improvisation,  
communication, and group teaming skills.  
Students will be featured in a student concert  
Friday, August 4th.

Requirements: Students must know the  
notes on their instrument, be able to read music,  
and play the major scales. Students must attend  
all classes and perform in the student concert.  
(except in case of sickness or family or national  
emergencies).

The **beginning section** is for students who  
have little or no experience in improvising or  
playing jazz. Learning to play the blues song form

and blues scales will be stressed. Students will  
play the blues in a variety of keys and rhythmic  
feels. This course will focus on developing  
the basic skills students need to improvise  
including:

- Interval Recognition
- Knowledge of basic scales and the  
major scale modes
- Knowledge of basic chord structures
- Blues song form
- Rhythmic feels
- Song repertoire in different rhythmic feels

The **intermediate/advanced sections** are  
for students who have past experience impro-  
vising in a school group or the AJW beginning  
class. They need to prove via a level placement  
audition, they have mastered the basic skills  
covered in the AJW beginning class listed above  
and can solo over the blues form. These sec-  
tions focus on soloing over more advanced song  
forms, chord changes, and rhythmic feels.

**Camp - July 31 - August 5, 2023**

**Application Deadline July 11, 2023**

The Alaska Jazz Workshop is a non-profit (501)  
(C3) Arts and Service organization formed in  
2000 to provide jazz education and performance  
opportunities to increase community awareness  
of jazz music in Alaska. Tax deductible contribu-  
tions, that are gratefully appreciated, can be sent to  
1600 Wolverine Street, Anchorage, AK 99504  
(Tax Id. #92-0173835) [www.akjazzworkshop.org](http://www.akjazzworkshop.org).

# What you need to know to sign up for “hands on” jazz music training (1 of 2)...



## Who, When & Where

Beginning to Advanced jazz instrumentalists and vocalists; grade 7 - Adult students. UAA Arts Building, Room 124. 3640 Alumni Drive, Anchorage AK 99508

## Week Long Jazz Camp

July 31 - August 5, 2023  
9am-2:30pm Monday -Friday  
(1/2 hour lunch break, student should bring lunch)  
Students are required to perform in the student recital on Saturday at 7:30pm and tuition includes entry to the AJW Faculty Jazz Concert on Friday night.

## Student & Faculty Concerts:

### Faculty Concert, Friday August 4, 2023

featuring Mark Walker, guest artist  
\$20 Adults \$10 (Students, seniors, military, age 12/under free)

### Student Concert, Saturday August 5, 2023

\$10 Adults \$5 (Students, seniors, military, age 12/under free)

### both concerts @ 7:30p.m. UAA Recital Hall

3640 Alumni Drive, Anchorage AK 99508

## Course Application/Fee Deadline

Jazz Camp Tuition \$450  
Application deadline July 11, 2023  
Tuition includes one student ticket to the AJW Faculty Concert. Limited full and half tuition work scholarships available. Call John Damberg for info. 907-332-3234.

## Sign Up Procedures

Step #1. Contact John Damberg to reserve space & discuss payment options and scholarship opportunities. (907) 332-3234 or john\_damberg@gci.net.

Step #2. Fill out the attached application form and mail in along with your tuition payment. Registration forms and payments will not be accepted during the class sessions. Make payments in cash or check to: Alaska Jazz Workshop. There is limited space so sign up early!

## Placement Level Audition

A placement audition is required for all new students. Students should be prepared to perform one prepared piece of music and to play major and blues scales. Please contact John Damberg to set up auditions. (907) 332-3234 or john\_damberg@gci.net.

Application - fill out & send in with payment, **deadline July 11, 2023**  
Summer Jazz Camp 2023

**Student's Name:**

**Address:**

**City/State/Zip:**

**Phone #:**

**E-mail:**

**Instrument(s):**

**Playing Level:** (Beginning, Intermediate, Advanced)

**Total Amount Enclosed:**

**Tuition Fee \$450** (Cash or Check)

**\$465** (Credit Card)

to make credit card pmt

Call John Damberg 907-332-3234

**Write Checks to & Mail to:**

Alaska Jazz Workshop  
1600 Wolverine Street  
Anchorage AK 99504

# More of what you need to know for “hands on” jazz music training (2of2)...



## Student Needs to Bring Books, etc.

### All Class Levels:

The Jazz Language, by Dan Hearle, \$15

Essential Elements Jazz Play-Along-The Blues, for Bb, Eb and C Instruments, by Hal Leonard, \$16  
iREAL PRO, \$15, (Practice App. Apple/Android)

### Beginner Class:

Real Easy Book Vol. I, by Sher Music, \$26  
C, E<sup>b</sup>, B<sup>b</sup>, BC.

Essential Elements of Jazz, Mike Steinel, Hal Leonard Pub., \$16 (C, Bb, Eb, Bass Cl.)

### Intermediate/Advanced Class:

Real Book:Sixth Edition, by Hal Leonard \$40.  
(Choose from: C, E<sup>b</sup>, B<sup>b</sup>, BC)

Books are available locally at:

AK Music & Sound-10th & Ingra, 907-272-4676  
Music Man-4637 Old Seward Hwy, 907-561-7001  
or Amazon.com. Students MUST purchase books before class starts. Please allow two weeks when ordering books online.

## Student Needs to Bring Instruments

Drummers . . . . Sticks & Brushes

Percussionists. . . Mallets

Guitarists . . . . . Guitar & Cord

Bassists . . . . . Bass & Cord

Horn Players . . . Horn

Pianists . . . . . Piano Provided

## Cancellation & Withdrawal Policy

Students are expected to attend all classes within the workshop. Tuition is fully refundable, less the \$50 registration processing fee until July 30, 2023. After camp begins on July 31, 2023 the tuition is non-refundable except in cases of illness or family emergency. If the AJW cancels the camp at any point, tuition is refundable.

## Application Deadline July 11, 2023

## Alaska Jazz Workshop

is an Alaskan non-profit organization whose purpose is to provide and support jazz education, appreciation & performance opportunities in Alaska.

AJW uses jazz improvisation as a platform to develop students' creativity, their ability to work together, and their appreciation for the music. AJW seeks to complement programs offered by other jazz and music organizations in communities throughout Alaska.

Come join the fun & participate in this worthwhile organization! You will be helping to provide options for the youth of Alaska. This will enable the AJW to develop scholarships for students and include more guest artists to provide a broader base of experience and mentorship.

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