

EASTMAN SCHOOL OF MUSIC

SAXOLOGY PLAYS PORGY AND BESS

Charles Pillow, director

Thursday, October 22, 2020
Kilbourn Hall (livestream)
7:30 PM



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PROGRAM

My Man's Gone Now

George Gershwin
(1898-1937)
arr. Charles Pillow

I Got Plenty of Nothin'

Here Come de Honey Man

It Ain't Necessarily So

Gone

Gil Evans
(1912-1988)

PERSONNEL

Steven Hardy, alto saxophone/flute/piccolo
Joe McCann, alto saxophone/soprano saxophone
Dylan Occor, tenor saxophone/flute
Rahul Shah, tenor saxophone/flute
Jordan Lerner, baritone saxophone
Hunter Nyhuis, piano
Ian Gleissner, bass
Oliver Gomez, bass
Kevin Murphy, drums

MEET THE ARTISTS

Saxology was originally formed in 1980, when the saxophone and rhythm sections of the top Eastman Jazz Ensemble got together to play the published repertoire of the professional jazz group Supersax. With a dedication to finding new and interesting ways for the saxophone section to play together, Saxology has grown into an ensemble with its own unique identity and repertoire. Ramon Ricker was its principal composer in residence until the group went dormant in the early 2000's. Proudly carrying the tradition forward, Charles Pillow now arranges most of the material that the group performs. Its "book" now ranges from swing to free, with an ample portion of hard bop music in between. Since its beginning, the group has received widespread acclaim including awards in 1981, 1987, 1991, and 1995 from *Down Beat* magazine for Best College Instrumental Jazz Group. Individually, its members have "graduated" to the bands of Woody Herman, Buddy Rich, Maynard Ferguson, Count Basie, Wynton Marsalis, Chick Corea, Toshiko Akiyoshi, Harry Connick, Jr., Frank Sinatra, Freddie Hubbard, and Doc Severinsen and *The Tonight Show* Band. Saxology can often be heard in concert settings in Upstate New York. Other notable performances include two tours of southern Germany, concerts at the International Association of Jazz Educator's Conference in Washington, D.C., and Boston, the Montréal, Québec, and Montreaux, Switzerland Jazz Festivals, and the Seventh World Saxophone Congress in Nuremberg, Germany. The group has recorded one LP for Mark Records and two CD's for Advance Music, with Jerry Bergonzi and Bob Mintzer as guest soloists. Saxology is strictly extracurricular and is assembled on demand for special concerts, performances, and projects.

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