Audition Information for UWSP at Wausau Vocal Jazz Ensemble

Vocal Jazz Ensemble meets Tues/Thurs 1:30-2:45 p.m.

- All interested singers should enroll in MUS 075 section G001 or G002 on the Wausau campus. The difference in sections is simply 1 credit or 2 credits, but no difference in class requirements.
- Students selected for Vocal Jazz Ensemble must ALSO be enrolled in MUS 072 - Concert Choir.
- At the first scheduled class meeting, please come to rehearsal room 206 on the Wausau campus. We will review audition requirements, pass out a short SATB excerpt, and you will sign up for a 10-minute audition time (sign-up sheet will also be posted on the door of room 206 in the music department). Auditions will take place over the following two days.
- Prepare two contrasting jazz/pop pieces to be sung as a solo for your audition (examples: Fly Me to the Moon, My Funny Valentine, The Girl from Ipanema, etc.)
 *If possible, please bring a lead sheet with chord changes for the songs you're singing.
 Jazz piano accompaniment will be provided.
- You will be asked to sight read a short example
- You will be asked to sing back a series of pitches played on the piano
- You will be given a short piece of SATB music and asked to prepare it for your audition.
 This will evaluate your ability to learn a piece of music on your own outside of rehearsal.
 It does not need to be memorized, but will be performed a cappella (without accompaniment). Please demonstrate straight-tone (non-vibrato) singing on this piece.
 This prepared piece will be passed out on the first scheduled day of class/rehearsal.

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