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**JAZZ AT LINCOLN CENTER ORCHESTRA
WITH WYNTON MARSALIS
PLUS BEST HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ BANDS
PLAY ELLINGTON, BASIE & GILLESPIE
TICKETS \$20**

Who/What:

Jazz at Lincoln Center's 16th Annual *Essentially Ellington* High School Jazz Band Competition & Festival culminates when the **Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis** joins the top three high school jazz bands across North America for the finale concert of the festival. The first half of the concert will feature the three high school bands performing with guest soloist Wynton Marsalis. After intermission, the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra will perform next season's *Essentially Ellington* repertoire. Repertoire includes **Duke Ellington's** "Ridin' On a Blue Note," "Sepia Panorama," and from *The Queen's Suite*, "Sunset and The Mocking Bird," and **Dizzy Gillespie's**, "Night in Tunisia," "Oop Bop Sha Bam," and "Things To Come."

Top three finalist bands chosen from:

Agoura High School, Agoura Hills, CA
William H. Hall High School, West Hartford, CT
Dillard Center for the Arts, Fort Lauderdale, FL
New World School of the Arts, Miami, FL
Valley High School, West Des Moines, IA
Downers Grove South High School, Downers Grove, IL
East St. Louis High School, East St. Louis, IL
St. Charles North High School, St Charles, IL
Foxboro High School, Foxboro, MA
Wellesley High School, Wellesley, MA
River East Collegiate, Winnipeg, MB
Temple High School, Temple, TX
Mountlake Terrace High School, Mountlake Terrace, WA
Roosevelt High School, Seattle, WA
Sun Prairie High School, Sun Prairie, WI

Also featured in exhibition at the Festival will be the winning community ensemble, American Music Program Pacific Crest Jazz Orchestra from Portland, OR.

For more information on *Essentially Ellington* please visit:
jalc.org/essentiallyellington.

Follow the program on Twitter at @EssEllington and on Facebook at
facebook.com/jazzatlincolncenter.

For a full schedule of Competition & Festival events including workshops, jam sessions, etc., click [here](#).

Where:

Avery Fisher Hall, 10 Lincoln Center Plaza, at the corner of Columbus Avenue and 65th Street, New York, NY.

When:

Saturday, May 14, 2011, 7:30pm

How:

Tickets are \$20-25 and are available at the Jazz at Lincoln Center Box Office on Broadway at 60th Street, at the Avery Fisher Box Office at 10 Lincoln Center Plaza, by calling CenterCharge at 212-721-6500 or via jalc.org.

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