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Program

Blues for Alice (1955)	Charlie Parker
	(1920-55)

presents a

Have You Met Miss Jones (1937)

Richard Rogers (1902-1979) Lorenz Hart (1895-1943)

Senior Recital **Andrew Winter, guitar**

assisted by

Craig Burletic, bass Corey Cutler, drums Luke Miller, baritone saxophone Jen Billups, soprano Beautiful Love (1931)

Victor Young (1900-56)

Georgia on My Mind (1930)

Hoagy Carmichael (1899-1981)

On Green Dolphin Street (1947)

Bronislau Kaper (1902-83)

Ned Washington

(1901-76)

Sunday April 1, 2011 Jomie Jazz Forum 8:00 p.m.

Misty (1954)

Errol Garner (1923-77)

Cheesecake (1962)

Dexter Gordon (1923-90)

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You're the One for Me (1968)

Barney Kessel (1923-2004)

II Notes II

For much of the first half of the twentieth century Big Band and Swing dominated as the popular forms of jazz music. By the late 1940s, however, a new incarnation of jazz called be-bop was rapidly growing in popularity. Be-bop as a genre came to prominence in the 1940s and 1950s most notably by trumpeter Dizzy Gillespie, saxophonist Charlie Parker, drummer Max Roach, and trumpeter Clifford Brown. Be-bop jazz is a harmonically dense and rhythmically sophisticated music that draws its influences from a bevy of musical traditions. Two of these traditions are blues and popular music.

The genre of blues began around the beginning of the twentieth century. Early Jazz artists drew upon Blues' accessible harmonic and melodic elements as structures for composing and improvising. In the piece *Blues for Alice* (1956) composer and jazz be-bop pioneer, Charlie Parker, employs a more complex and unique structure of the Blues. Parker introduces a steady flow of dominant chords to the traditional three chord blues structure. The blues form used for Blues for Alice has become a widely utilized progression for jazz composers and improvisers in the be-bop tradition. In addition to the blues, be-bop composers have drawn from popular music as an inspiration for their craft.

Popular music has always been an important influence on be-bop musicians. Often, be-bop artists would perform show tunes and film scores while putting their own spin, taking liberties with harmony and rhythm. These popular songs are often referred to as jazz "standards." The song Have You Met Miss Jones (1937) was originally a selection from Rodgers and Hart's satirical Broadway show, I'd Rather be Right. The tune has been established as a standard in the jazz and be-bop repertoire and has been performed and recorded by be-bop artists such as Tal Farlow, Ahmad Jamal, Ella Fitzgerald and Joe Pass. Some other jazz standards popular with be-bop artists are Victor Young's composition, *Beautiful Love* (1931), Georgia on My Mind by Hoagy Carmichael (1930), On Green Dolphin Street by Bronislau Kaper and Ned Washington (1947), and Errol Garner's classic Misty (1954). These tunes have all been featured in cinema and the song On Green Dolphin Street was theme for an MGM film of the same title. In addition to being inspirational for arranging and improvisation, popular music also played an important role in shaping the compositional styles of be-bop musicians.

Two other musicians from the be-bop school of jazz whose pieces are being performed tonight are guitarist Barney Kessel and saxophonist Dexter Gordon. Gordon's tune *Cheese Cake* (1962) is described by jazz historian Ira Gitler as "a minor-key pattern reminiscent of Topsy, Dexter soars like a

condor over the Andes, with grandeur and great staying power." Kessel's feel good tune *You're the One For Me* (1968) first appeared on the album *Autumn Leaves* (1968) and then again with new backing musicians on the album *Soaring* (1976). Kessel's *You're the One for Me* displays the melodic sensibility and harmonic sophistication undoubtedly influenced by his time playing and recording with other be-bop artists such as Charlie Parker, Ella Fitzgerald, and Lester Young.

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This recital is presented in partial fulfillment of the requirements for a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Jazz Performance. Mr. Winter is a student in the guitar studio of Dr. Mark Zanter.

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