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A graduate of the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N.Y., Vizzutti received a bachelor's degree and a Performer's Certificate--an award decided by faculty vote after the completion of a jury and full recital. He earned his master's degree in 1976 at Eastman, and also received an Artist's Diploma at that time. His Artist's Diploma is the only one ever earned by a wind, brass, or percussion player in Eastman's history and was awarded to him after the successful completion of a jury, two recitals, and a solo performance with an orchestra.

Local band directors, brass students, and jazz ensemble members are encouraged to attend a free clinic conducted by Vizzutti the day of the concert at 3 p.m. in Room 2036 in YSU's Bliss Hall.

The YSU Jazz Ensembles are also presenting many area high school concerts. They include: a pops concert at Salem High School, assemblies at Marlinton High School and West Branch High School, and a jazz festival with the Wooster Jazz Ensemble and Orville High School Bands at Wooster High School.

Soloists with the YSU Jazz Ensembles at the Vizzutti concert include:

JAZZ ENSEMBLE I:

Rich Rollo, tenor sax - Warren
 Chester Pawlak, baritone sax - Farrell, Pa.
 John Reese, trombone - Warren
 Lennie Carkido, trumpet - Boardman
 Rande Isabella, trumpet - Hubbard
 David Kana, tenor sax - Youngstown
 Tom Hartsy, bass - Hermitage, Pa.
 Darryl Pellegrini, drums - Boardman
 Bill Warner, guitar - Boardman
 Jim Garber, piano - Warren
 Mike Ortopan, trumpet - Poland

JAZZ ENSEMBLE II:

Matt Marinelli, alto sax - Poland
 Mark Seyerle, tenor sax - Champion
 Dan Carioti, tenor sax - Warren
 Tom Potjrinas, trombone - Warren
 Bob Rollo, trumpet - Warren
 Brooke Hopkins, piano - New Wilmington, Pa.
 Judy Darling, piano - Youngstown
 Bill Loos, drums - Pittsburgh
 Mark Matteo, guitar - Youngstown

JAZZ ENSEMBLE III:

Ricky Miracle, guitar - Youngstown
Jayne Kostecki, piano - Youngstown
Pat McClendon, tenor sax - Reynolds, Pa.
Dave Rivello, trumpet - Struthers
John Habarka, trumpet - West Middlesex, Pa.
Jeff Hughs, trombone - Greenville, Pa.

For further information, contact Tony Leonardi, Director of YSU's Jazz
Ensembles at (216) 742-3639.

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