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The Alumni Ensemble was conceived and organized by two graduates of YSU's Dana School of Music and former ensemble members, Rich Rollo and Mike Crist. Rollo, sax player and now instrumental music teacher in Warren city schools, received a Bachelor's degree from YSU in 1983, the same year Crist received his Master of Music degree here. Crist is currently a Dana School music instructor.

To assemble the grad group, letters were sent to former Jazz Ensemble members living within a 100-mile radius of Youngstown who are still active musicians.

The letters brought "yea's" from 24, who represent the history of the University's renowned jazz program.

Two alumni performers were among the original ensemble members. They are Garey Watson '71, band director at Cardinal High School in Middlefield, and Phil Wilson, '77, band director at Bluffton High School.

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ALUMNI JAZZ ENSEMBLE members, residence, occupation

SAXOPHONE

Alto - Jim Volenik, Austintown ('83)	Band Director Canfield Middle School
Alto - Patti Olsson, New Philadelphia ('81, '83)	Band Director Central Catholic High School, Tuscarawas
Alto - Joe Pellegrini, Youngstown ('75)	Band Director Austintown Fitch High School
Tenor - Frank Messuri, Mineral Ridge ('80)	Department Manager Sparkle Markets
Tenor & Baritone - David Kana, Leavittsburg ('84)	Band Director Windham High School
Tenor & Baritone - Rich Rollo, Cortland ('83)	Instrumental Music Warren City Schools

TRUMPET

Royce Hetrick, Punxsutawney, Pa. ('85)	Band Director Redbank Valley High School
Don Stimple, Poland ('74, '82)	Band Director Poland Local Schools
Terry Gale, Sharon, Pa. ('80)	Retail Store Manager
Dave Rivello, Struthers ('86)	Music Teacher and Free Lance Musician
Norman Pellegrini, Boardman ('78)	Registered Representative Prudential Insurance Co.
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David Dunsing, Canfield ('86)	Retail Store
Ty Williams, Niles ('78)	Architect
Mike Crist, Poland ('83)	Trombone Instructor Dana School of Music

RHYTHM SECTION

Piano - Jim Garber, Warren ('81)	Music Teacher and Free Lance Musician
Drums - John Lecce, Beaver, Pa. ('75)	Cable Television Technician
Bass - Jeff Bremer, Youngstown ('82)	Free Lance Musician and Bass Instructor-Akron University and Hiram College
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Percussion - Gregg Molinaro, McDonald, Pa. ('74)	General Manager, Telecommunications, Inc.

JAZZ ENSEMBLE I

SAXOPHONES

Alto I  
Matt Ferraro                    Bessemer, Pa.

Alto II  
Tim Harker                    Poland, Ohio

Tenor I  
Mike Oleksa                    McDonald, Ohio

Tenor II  
Robert Kleinschmidt        Strongsville, Ohio

Baritone  
Ralph Negro                    Austintown, Ohio

TRUMPETS

Lou Pisani                    Natrona Heights, Pa.

Darryl White                    Warren, Ohio

Ted DiSanti                    New Castle, Pa.

Mike Kamuf                    Cleveland, Ohio

Chuck Curry                    Flagstaff, AZ

TROMBONES

Jeff King                    Wooster, Ohio

Martin Hollister                Mexico, NY

Jeff Althouse                    Canfield, Ohio

Eric Dregne                    Cleveland, Ohio

PIANO

David Shoff                    Rome, Ohio

GIUITAR

Richard Popovich                Youngstown, Ohio

BASS

Ed Hallahan                    Youngstown, Ohio

Mary Metcalf                    Ashtabula, Ohio

DRUMS

Tom Ruggieri                    Boardman, Ohio

Kevin Downs                    Madison, Ohio



JAZZ ENSEMBLE II

SAXOPHONES

Alto I Tom Rowe	Alliance, Ohio
Alto II Dan Heasley David Kochis	Oil City, Pa. Bedford, Ohio
Tenor I Jeff Hvizdos	Lowellville, Ohio
Tenor II Brian Matticola Tim Poe	Ashtabula, Ohio Thompson, Ohio
Baritone Calvin O'Conner	Youngstown, Ohio

TRUMPETS

Kurt Schnader	Denver, Pa.
John Veneskey	Willowick, Ohio
Martin McMasters	Youngstown, Ohio
Tim Leahey	Altoona, Pa.
Tony Audia	Warren, Ohio

TROMBONES

Duane Price	Barberton, Ohio
Tracy Guerin	Austinburg, Ohio
Dan Betz	East Liverpool, Ohio
George Sawyer	Warren, Ohio

PIANO

Connie Ascione	New Castle, Pa.
Deana Smith	Poland, Ohio

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Mary Metcalf	Ashtabula, Ohio
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