

The Nineteen Jazz Orchestra in association with The Tabard Theatre Company is pleased to announce the return of the South Bay Composers Concert.

This concert event, originally conceived and hosted by Gus Kambeitz and San Jose Jazz back in 2009, offered an amazing opportunity for composers of any age or ability to have their compositions realized and performed by a professional big band jazz ensemble.

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This time around we are welcoming more options for composers. Not only will we be accepting big band or other jazz compositions with all the parts orchestrated and arranged, but this year we are accepting submissions for compositions that may need arrangement assistance and may only have a few parts to be performed by a small group.

Acceptance of compositions will be based on uniqueness, creativity, and artistic impression and will be performed live by Nineteen in concert on Saturday, October 12, 2019, at the fabulous Tabard Theater at 29 N. San Pedro Street in downtown San Jose. Selected composers need not be present at the performance but we'd prefer they were and they are even welcome to perform their piece with us.

Requirements and details below:

1. Composition packages must be mailed to Tabard Theater - Composition Contest, 29 N. San Pedro Street, Suite 200, San Jose, CA, 95110, and must be received by August 15th, 2019, with no exceptions and must include at a minimum:
 - o a score, and/or
 - o a demo recording of some kind, and
 - o a one-paragraph written explanation about why this composition was written, how it should be performed, and its significance to the composer, and
 - o email and phone contact information of the composer
2. Composition selections will be determined by two esteemed composer/musicians:
 - o Dr. Russell Zimmer, DMA Jazz Studies
 - o Naoki Taniguchi, MA Composition
3. Submitting composers will be notified by September 1st if they have been selected, and any assistance needed or specifics on the piece will be discussed then.
4. As mentioned, arrangement assistance for selected compositions is available.

For more information, please contact Gus Kambeitz, Director of Nineteen Jazz Orchestra, at wvcjazz@yahoo.com.