

Greetings Monday Night Band supporters and members past, present, and future,

As you all know, the global pandemic has dramatically affected the performing arts world, and music performance in particular. SFJAZZ is poised to create opportunities for artists in our community moving forward, within the health and safety guidelines as established by local and state health officials. At this time, unfortunately, we have made the decision to pause our community ensemble program for the fall of 2020, and are working with band director Adam Theis to create a new approach for the coming spring.

We would like to share with you our plans to suspend the auditions for the fall semester of the program, and will announce a rescheduled date in the near future. Given the fluidity of the situation, we feel it is in the best interest of our students, members, staff, and faculty to transform the program in the coming year with a more hybrid approach. This will entail some creative use of technology as spearheaded by our wonderful ensemble director—Adam Theis—enabling students to continue to have access to the ensemble experience, but in ways that will entail more flexibility. We ask for your patience and understanding as we develop this new model, and hope you will remain committed to joining us as we forge ahead.

Please stay tuned to the [SFJAZZ website](#) for updates. We also encourage you to sign up for the [weekly Education Newsletter](#), so you can stay informed about our programs.

Meanwhile, we thank you once again for your support of SFJAZZ, and for your continued advocacy for the arts in our community.

Wishing you good health and resilience,  
Rebeca Mauleón, SFJAZZ Director of Education