

# UMASS Vocal Jazz Ensemble

## Spring 2012 Auditions

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### **What is the UMass Vocal Jazz Ensemble?**

This is a small ensemble consisting of 8-12 singers and a rhythm section that is often augmented by horns. The ensemble is open to ALL university students by audition and performs both standard and contemporary jazz repertoire arranged by faculty, students and nationally recognized vocal jazz arrangers.

### **When does the ensemble meet?**

Mondays & Wednesday 10.10 a.m. - 12.05 p.m., Fine Arts Center Room 44

Fridays: sectional 10.10 - 11.05 a.m.

### **Where are the auditions held and what is involved?**

Sign-up sheets and auditions are held in **Fine Arts Center Room 149F** (Prof. Jensen-Hole's office)

1. Sing **one** prepared song of your choice - may be unaccompanied, performed with accompanist or tape backing, or, bring a chord chart and I will accompany you.
2. Singing prepared sheet. (Can be picked up from outside **149F** or can be emailed as a pdf file. Contact [cathyhole@hotmail.com](mailto:cathyhole@hotmail.com)).
3. Sight read jazz rhythms.

### **When are the auditions?**

Monday, Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 12:15 - 1:30 or

Tuesday, Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 - 1:00 or

Wednesday, Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 - 5:00

Please sign up for an audition time outside room 149F

Hampshire and Amherst College students - please email or call for an audition time.

**Anything else I should know about the ensemble?**

Membership in ensemble requires individual practicing of material out of class time but rehearsal mp3's are provided.