

ABOUT THE DIRECTOR, DEAN TABA



A highly regarded studio and freelance musician, Dean Taba began his musical studies on the piano at the age of 6 and played french horn in the Hawaii Youth Symphony. It was a desire to play in the high school jazz band that introduced him to the bass and improvised music. After extensive studies at the Berklee College of Music in Boston and a refinement of his skills on both the acoustic and electric bass, Dean relocated in 1984 to Los Angeles to become one of its most in demand musicians.

Also a respected clinician and educator (Los Angeles Music Academy, Musician's Institute, Cal-Poly Pomona, Grove School of Music) Dean has recently performed/recorded with Jeff Lorber, David Benoit, Mark Murphy, Jake Shimabukuo, Andy Summers, Sadao Watanabe, The San Francisco Symphony, Hiroshima, Rick Braun, The American Jazz Institute Orchestra, Dave Koz, Jeff Richman, Pauline Wilson, The Philippine Philharmonic Orchestra, Daniel Ho, Bill Watrous, and many others as well as playing on countless CDs, TV shows, and movie soundtracks.

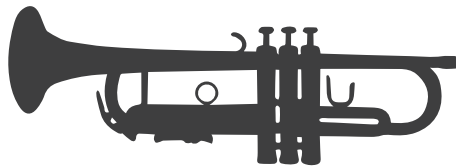


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While no prior jazz or improvisational experience is necessary, admission to The Combo is by audition only. Up to 2 students of each instrument will be selected.

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HYS JAZZ

BEYOND CLASSICAL

TAKE YOUR PASSION
AND DRIVE FOR MUSIC
TO THE NEXT LEVEL!

OPEN
TO ALL
STUDENTS
AGES 14 - 18
(GRADES 9 - 12)
WHO PLAY GUITAR, BASS,
KEYBOARDS, PIANO, DRUMS,
SAX, TRUMPET, TROMBONE.

FIND YOUR GROOVE

Join other serious music students and elevate your ability to play a variety of popular, commercial, and jazz styles. The Combo will perform with popular singers and instrumentalists, in orchestral pops settings with our acclaimed Youth Symphony program, and more!



FEEL THE TEMPO

Amp up your improvisational skills with intensive combo rehearsals. During the 2019-2020 school year (September to May), HYS Jazz will meet on Saturdays from 3:00-6:00 pm.

COMBO I (ADVANCED LEVEL)

Led by Dean Taba, Combo I will meet at the Spalding Clubhouse of the Boys & Girls Club, in Mo'ili'ili/McCully area of Honolulu.

COMBO II (INTERMEDIATE LEVEL),

Led by Ryan Howe, Combo II will meet at Moanalua Middle School.

Students in The Combo will learn the skills necessary to play as a rhythm section and accompany top local talent.



THINK STEPS AHEAD

THINKING ABOUT A CAREER IN THE MUSIC BUSINESS?

Through The Combo, students will have direct access to top audio engineers, influential musicians, and music business gurus. Though the focus of The Combo is music performance, many facets of becoming a professional musician will be addressed throughout the year.



FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

HYS believes in making music education affordable and equitable for all. Thanks to generous donations and grants, we are able to offer financial aid packages for qualified students. Scholarships for private lessons are also available. Financial Aid applications are available at the HYS website and are due by September 1, 2019

All financial information will be kept confidential and used only for financial aid decision-making purposes.