

CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING AND CINEMATIC ARTS
Boyer College of Music and Dance

Master Class
Joe Lovano, jazz saxophone

September 16, 2020
Presented Virtually

Wednesday
4:30 pm

Program

Grammy-winning saxophonist, composer and producer **JOE LOVANO** is fearless in finding new modes of artistic expression. He received a Grammy award for his *52nd Street Themes*, fourteen Grammy nominations, has won Downbeat Magazine's Critics and Readers Polls multiple times as tenor saxophonist, Musician of the Year, Jazz Album of the Year, and Triple Crowns from Downbeat. He has also received numerous awards from Jazz Times and the Jazz Journalists Association for tenor saxophone, Album of the Year, and Musician of the Year.

Born in Cleveland, Ohio in 1952, he attended the Berklee College of Music, where he was awarded an Honorary Doctorate. Since 2001 he has held the Gary Burton Chair in Jazz Performance and is a founding faculty member of the Global Jazz Institute at Berklee, directed by Danilo Perez. He has guest lectured at New York University's Jazz Program, The Juilliard School and Manhattan School of Music, and has served as a clinician at universities around the globe.

Lovano has toured with jazz greats including Woody Herman Thundering Herd, Dr. Lonnie Smith, Jack McDuff, The Mel Lewis Jazz Orchestra, Paul Motian Trio, Charlie Haden Liberation Music Orchestra, Carla Bley Band, Elvin Jones Jazz Machine, and Saxophone Summit. He has composed a large body of work for his own ensembles, including works for strings, woodwinds, voice, a horn nonet, and more recently his group Us Five, that features two drummers.

Since 1991, Lovano has been recording artist for Blue Note Records. His CD *Joe Lovano Quartet: Classic! Live at Newport* features jazz pianist Hank Jones and was released in 2016, marking his 25th recording for the label. Joe has also performed and recorded with jazz greats including Woody Herman, Mel Lewis, Bob Brookmeyer, Paul Motian, Bill Frisell, Tony Bennett, Abbey Lincoln, Charlie Haden, John Scofield, Gunther Schuller, Elvin Jones, McCoy Tyner, Ed Blackwell, Herbie Hancock, Dave Holland, Dave Liebman, Michael Brecker, Dave Douglas, Judi Silvano, Ravi Coltrane, Chucho Valdez, Ornette Coleman and many others. www.joelovano.com.