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## **Century College to Host 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Jazz Festival Jan. 24 and 25**

Century College will host its 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Jazz Festival the weekend of Jan. 24 and 25 in the West Campus Theatre.

Jazz trumpeter Bob Summers will perform with the 17-piece Century Jazz Ensemble for two exciting shows – Saturday evening, Jan. 24, at 8 p.m. (reception at 6:45 p.m.) and Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. (reception at 1:45 p.m.) Both receptions will feature complimentary wine, cheese and dessert. The Twin Cities group Snow Blind will perform during the receptions.

Tickets are \$20 with a student price of \$10. Proceeds support student scholarships through the Century College Foundation.

This year's guest artist, jazz trumpeter Bob Summers, studied at the Berklee College of Music with such greats as John LaPorta, Herb Pomeroy, Phil Wilson, Charlie Mariano and Junior Cool. After leaving Berklee, he went on the road with Woody Herman for four months and then with the Maynard Ferguson Orchestra for 2 ½ years.

In 1975, Summers moved to Los Angeles and played with Bill Holman, Bill Berry, Frank Capp, Bill Watrous and Chuck Flores. Count Basie called Summers to join his band in 1980 and he was Basie's featured soloist for 4 ½ years. At that time, he also recorded his first album "Inside Out." His next recording was "Joy Spring."

Summers is currently freelancing in Los Angeles with bands such as Gordon Goodwin's Big Phat Band and the Bill Holman Band.

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