

# Take me to Dixieland



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## Jazz band brings New Orleans style of jazz to College Station

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The Battalion

The Preservation Hall Jazz Band is swingin' into the Brazos Valley this week and will bring audiences back 50 years to the streets, saloons and river boats of New Orleans with their Dixieland jazz.

Jeremy Byrd, student committee chairman for Opera and Performing Arts Society (OPAS) and a junior psychology major, said the event, which is part of OPAS' mainstage season, is one of its most successful events.

"They have been here before and are always a really fun group," Byrd said. "People generally are familiar with the music they play and really enjoy their performance."

Dr. Peter Lieuwen, professor of music, said Dixieland jazz has a long and interesting history. It is one of the earliest forms of jazz along with the blues, which Preservation Hall will feature.

Lieuwen said Dixieland jazz goes back as far as the turn of the century and has formed the basis for most jazz heard today, including the sound of the great Louis Armstrong, whose music came out of the Dixieland style.

"It first began with just the drums, tuba, banjo, cornet and the trombone," Lieuwen said. "And this

[music] featured a large amount of what is called improvisation."

Improvisation describes a style of music in which the majority of the song is made up on the spot. Much of this improvisational style can be found in the music Preservation Hall performs.

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"One of the distinguishing features in the style of jazz Preservation Hall does is what is called collective improv," Lieuwen said. "This basically consists of several instruments [improvising] simultaneously. Mostly, this can feature the clarinet, trumpet and trombone playing in what is called counter melodies."

Lieuwen said improv is the most important aspect of jazz.

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Lieuwen said this is one of the most important features for the audience to listen for at the show.

Byrd said the Preservation Hall Jazz Band act differs from other such performances OPAS brings to the A&M community.

"We really try to bring all types [of acts] here," Byrd said. "We have Broadway, ballet and opera, and jazz always tends to be quite popular. As opposed to something a little more serious, like ballet, for example, jazz is a little more of a relaxed event, less formal, with fun and good music."

Byrd said one goal of OPAS is to expand A&M students' horizons and expose them to the arts.

"It is important to OPAS for students to experience something they have never experienced before," Byrd said.

"Preservation Hall is great [source of] exposure to jazz and can provide a learning experience for anyone as well."

Lieuwen said bringing Preservation Hall to A&M gives students an opportunity to hear one of the best examples of Louisiana jazz.

"Most of all, they are really famous because they have been around for a long time," he said. "Also they are the best ensemble now as far as what they do."

night, so I could do anything," Holt said.

Holt said people generally are able to accept any role that might be taken on during Halloween.

"No one really thinks about what you do," Holt said. "If you do something out of the ordinary, people will think it's because of the costume."

Holt said the people who wear a mask for Halloween do so because it gives them freedom.

"[It is the opportunity to] do the opposite of what you would do," Holt said. "It is a chance to be crazy, and [lets] you take the easy way out."

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### Lutheran

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1007 Krenek Tap Rd. • College Station  
693-4514  
Service Time: 10:15 a.m. Sunday School: 9 a.m.  
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Sunday 10:30 a.m. Wednesday 7:30 p.m.  
4010 Harvey Rd., (Hwy. 30)  
College Station, TX 774-1269  
E-Mail: [greencc@aol.com](mailto:greencc@aol.com)  
[www.covenant-family-church.org](http://www.covenant-family-church.org)

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2200 Southwood Dr. @ FM 2818, C.S.  
693-7021 <http://www.ipt.com/fjpl>  
Sunday: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School for ALL Ages  
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**First United Methodist Church**  
28th & Houston St.,  
1 block E. of Texas Ave., in Bryan  
779-1324  
Sunday Worship 8:40 & 10:55 a.m., 6:00 p.m.  
Harral Dunnam, Pastor

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