

2014 High School Jazz Festival Competition Results

High School: Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts
 Director: Chris Beaudry
 Ensemble Name: Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts Ensemble 3
 Class: S3 Performance Time: 2:55 PM **Adjudicator:**
 Room: 303 **TOTAL SCORE: 272** **Greg Wardson**

Criteria	Subcriteria	Points
SOLOS	Quality good	36 of 40
	Number of Solos good	
	Appropriate Style above expectations	
	Time Feel	
	Tone and Intonation	
TIME	Steadiness of Beat good	13 of 15
	Feeling/Groove good	
	Energy good	
	Rhythm Section above expectations	
	Horns	
INTONATION	Brass above expectations	9 of 10
	Saxophones/Woodwinds good	
	Rhythm Section good	
	Vocalist (if applicable)	
ARTICULATION	Brass good	9 of 10
	Saxophones/Woodwinds good	
	Rhythm Section good	
	Vocalist (if applicable)	
	Overall Ensemble good	
BALANCE / BLEND / DYNAMICS	Horn Section	9 of 10
	Rhythm Section	
	Vocalist (if applicable)	
	Overall Ensemble good	
STYLE / INTERPRETATION	Rhythmic above expectations	9 of 10
	Melodic good	
	Overall Musicality good	
PRESENTATION / PROGRAMMING	Suitable Choice of Material above expectations	5 of 5
	Well-balanced Program above expectations	
	Preparation above expectations	
TOTAL POINTS:		90

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Comments (Greg Wardson)

1st Selection

Nice choice for an opening tune. Head played very tightly with good time feel. Rhythm seemed a tiny bit rushed on solos, but relaxed after a bit. Trombonist gets a very good sound, and drummer plays very dynamically and musically.

3d Selection

Again, well played overall. Very nice piano solo--impressive independence between left and right hands at one point. Also, very good solos by trombone and guitar.

2nd Selection

Well played with good solos, guitarist in particular. Very good groove from rhythm section on this.

General Comments

A very solid, musical, and well-rehearsed band with solid young musicians throughout. Very mature sounding soloists, especially at this stage in their development.