

LITCHFIELD JAZZ CAMP 2008

For a life-changing musical experience and a whole lot of fun, Litchfield Jazz Camp is the place to be. Litchfield Jazz Camp (est.1997), featured in the JazzTimes Education Guide, TIME Magazine, and on CNN, is generally regarded as one of the best and most popular in the country.

Under the artistic direction of saxophonist/composer/educator Don Braden, the camp hosts resident artists and guest clinicians who are at the top of their game. Our approach is inclusive and non-competitive. Students are admitted on a first-come basis, with no prior audition required. They are heard by the faculty when they arrive and placed in skill-matched combos. While the minimum age for admission is 13, we encourage adult students to attend as well. Our skill-based approach to combo assignment makes placement comfortable for students no matter their age. Housing, however, is assigned by age and gender. Every effort is made to accommodate young people whose financial resources may be limited. Our students have experienced significant success, going on to excellent colleges, universities and music programs of note. Many have formed their own bands, and some have already gone on to make their mark, playing with artists like Herbie Hancock, Pat Metheny, Cyrus Chestnut, and Winard Harper. We're very proud that our own Luques Curtis appeared on the 2007 Grammy Award Winning recording *Simpático* with Eddie Palmieri and Brian Lynch.

Litchfield Jazz Camp runs from July 6th through August 1st on the campus of the Forman School in Litchfield, Connecticut. This lovely setting is just a block from the sophisticated downtown of one of America's most visited 18th century villages - a great place for friends and relatives to check out when visiting students.

Our students learn in a music-intensive environment, in one- to four-week courses. They play in combos at the camp and on the Gazebo Stage at The Litchfield Jazz Festival (August 1-3, 2008). Every student, whatever session they attend, is invited to play at the festival.

Need based scholarships are available for students ages 13-20. The camp accepts students on all levels but applicants should have performing experience on their instrument or voice. For more

information, please visit the camp website:
www.litchfieldjazzcamp.com or call the camp at (860) 567-4162 for
an application. This is a wonderful opportunity for any kids you
know who are gifted in music.