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Lakecia Benjamin, saxophone Michael King, piano Elias Bailey, bass Dorian Phelps, drums

The performance will last approximately 75-90 minutes with no intermission.

Program to be announced from the stage

Co-sponsored by the Black Cultural Center

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Voted Rising Star Alto Saxophonist by the 2020 Downbeat Critics Poll and Up and Coming Artist of the Year by the Jazz Journalists Association, charismatic and dynamic saxophonist Lakecia Benjamin fuses traditional conceptions of jazz, hip-hop, and soul. Benjamin, with her electric presence and fiery sax work, has shared stages with several legendary artists, including Stevie Wonder, Alicia Keys, and The Roots. A streetwise New York City native born and raised in Washington Heights, Benjamin first picked up the saxophone at Fiorello LaGuardia High School for the Performing Arts. From there she joined the renowned jazz program at New York's New School University. However, even at that early stage, Benjamin was already playing with renowned jazz figures like Clark Terry and Reggie Workman, who introduced her to opportunities to play and tour with an array of artists such as Rashied Ali, Christian McBride, Gregory Porter, and James "Blood" Ulmer. With her deep jazz roots, she was soon in demand as an arranger and horn section leader, landing stints with such acclaimed artists as Anita Baker.

Benjamin's album, *Pursuance*, is an intergenerational masterpiece that takes one on a journey through the lineage of the music with the works of John and Alice Coltrane. Benjamin pays homage to those who have come before by featuring innovative bandleaders of her generation, such as Workman (co-producer and musician), Ron Carter, Gary Bartz, Dee Dee Bridgewater, Meshell Ndegecello, Regina Carter, Bertha Hope, the Last Poets, Greg Osby, Steve Wilson, John Benitez, Marc Cary, Marcus Gilmore, Keyon Harrold, Marcus Strickland, Brandee Younger, Georgia Anne Muldrow, and Jazzmeia Horn.

Phoenix, the latest and fourth studio album from virtuosic saxophonist Benjamin, was released January 27, 2023 via Whirlwind Recordings. The far-reaching new album finds the tour-de-force saxophonist in a poised and profoundly individual position alongside an all-star cast of musicians. *Phoenix* is the acclaimed, expansive new album in Benjamin's musical evolution. The album was produced by the multi-Grammy Award-winning Terri Lyne Carrington and features a star-studded line up of specially curated guests such as Dianne Reeves, Muldrow, Patrice Rushen, Sonia Sanchez, Angela Davis, and Wayne Shorter. The band is composed of trumpeter Josh Evans, Victor Gould on keys, Orange Rodriguez on synths, drummer Enoch "EJ" Strickland, percussionist Nêgah Santos, and bassist Ivan Taylor. Trumpeter Wallace Roney Jr., Rhodes organist Anastassiya Petrova, and bassist Jahmal Nichols all join for one track each.

This is Benjamin's first performance at the Moss Arts Center.

tell us what you think!



We'd love your feedback on this performance. If you complete the short survey, you can enter for a chance to win two tickets to A.I.M by Kyle Abraham on Saturday, March 22, 2025.

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Please note, survey responses are anonymous. If you would like a response to your feedback, please email <u>mossartscenter@vt.edu</u>.

engagement events

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

COMMUNITY ASSEMBLY AT THE CREATIVITY + INNOVATION DISTRICT

Living-learning communities Studio 72 and Rhizome hosted a live interview and Q&A with Lakecia Benjamin, which focused on her artistic journey and personal resilience.

SCHOOL-DAY PERFORMANCE

Students in grades six through 12 from Montgomery, Giles, Floyd, Pulaski, Roanoke, Craig, Franklin, and Wythe counties, as well as Radford and Roanoke cities, attended a free young audience performance by Lakecia Benjamin.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

MASTER CLASS: VIRGINIA TECH JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Members of the Virginia Tech Jazz Ensemble performed for and received hands-on coaching from Lakecia Benjamin and members of the band.

Special thanks to the Virginia Tech Creativity + Innovation District and School of Performing Arts, Olivia Coutré, Adam Clark, Jason Crafton, Grant Hamming, Kyle Hutchins, and Cyrus Pace

go deeper

From playing recorder in grade school and junior high in New York's Washington Heights, to being accepted to Fiorello LaGuardia High School for the Performing Arts, Lakecia Benjamin's artistic journey exemplifies the power of music education. What impact does music education have on individuals and communities in the New River Valley?





Through Sun., March 30, 2025

Shaunté Gates This Is Not a Test

Ruth C. Horton Gallery

Washington, D.C.-based artist Shaunté Gates' solo exhibition features a survey of mixed-media paintings and densely layered works that combine photography, painting, collage, and found materials, resulting in surreal, dreamlike compositions that merge portraiture, landscape, and architecture.

Charisse Pearlina Weston I saw the room but darkly dreamed it ...

Miles C. Horton Jr. Gallery and Sherwood Payne Quillen '71 Reception Gallery

New York-based artist Charisse Pearlina Weston's solo exhibition engages with themes of surveillance and tactics of Black refusal by transforming materials associated with observation and control through repetition and reuse.

Free Related Event Beyond the Frame Gallery Tours Thurs., March 13, 12 PM Moss Arts Center Grand Lobby

Charisse Pearlina Weston; pyrolytic envelop I (into the bright and distributed subject side), 2024; text etched on slumped and folded Mirropane surveillance glass and concrete; 51 1/2 x 22 x 14 1/2 inches; © Charisse Perlina Weston; courtesy of the artist and Dr. Charles Boyd

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thurs., april 24, and fri., april 25, 7:30 pm george emilio sanchez in the court of the conqueror

sat., may 10, 7:30 pm chucho valdés and irakere 50

tues., feb. 18, 7:30 pm czech national symphony orchestra maxim lando, piano

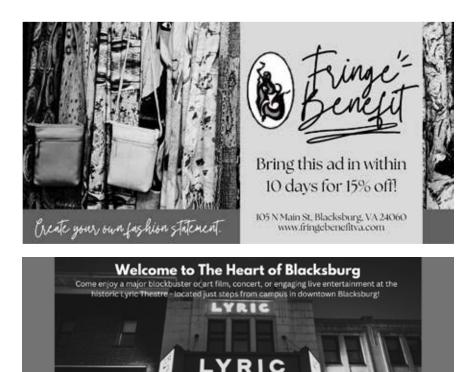
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thurs., feb. 27, 7:30 pm kodo one earth tour 2025: warabe

thurs., march 6, 7:30 pm the dante quartet brian thorsett, tenor

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Grammy winner and world-famous pianist Chucho Valdés closes the season with a tribute to 50 years of Irakere, featuring a new iteration of the band that revolutionized Afro-Latin jazz.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

CONTRA DANCE AT THE Y

Contra Dance is a traditional American dance in which couples dance in two long facing lines or in groups of four. No partner required!

Y COMMUNITY GALLERY

We are proud to announce that the YMCA at Virginia Tech is opening a brand-new community art gallery in The Y Center at 1000 N. Main St., Blacksburg. We are extremely grateful to eARTh (by Diane Relf) for sponsorship of this new space and for the generous support of Shelter Alternatives and Bell Electric.

Y BOOK FAIR

Among the many volumes of books that will be available in our annual Book Fair there will be a collection of books of local origin, authors and interest. We'll have literally thousands of books, comics, graphic novels, vinyl and vintage collectibles for you to peruse at the very best prices around so get ready!!



YOUR GUIDE TO RECYCLING AT THE Y

WHAT

Textiles (gently used household items to include books, clothing, housewares, blankets, toys, etc.)

Thrift Shop (Blacksburg) Please deliver to Thrift Shop dock during business hours.

Electronics (working & non-working) TV's (from Mont. County residents only)

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Batteries (Rechargeable batteries only)

Thrift Shop (Blacksburg) Bring inside to Recycling Station. Each item will need to be individually bagged. Bags and tape will be provided.

CFL's, Ink Jet cartridges, rechargeable batteries

Thrift Shop (Blacksburg) Bring inside to Recycling Table. Each item will need to be individually bagged. Bags and tape will be provided.

We love to hear from you! Feel free to send us an email at ymca@vtymca.org and we will be in contact with you soon.

Y CENTER

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