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DI PASQUALE TO PLAY WITH JAZZ WORKSHOP

Topflight Chicago saxophonist James Di Pasquale will be guest soloist with the University of Montana Jazz Workshop in a concert Wednesday (May 21) at 8:15 p.m. in the University Theater.

Workshop founder and director Frank Diliberto of the music faculty said the 20-piece band specializes in the great sounds of Buddy Rich, Count Basie and other jazz notables.

The program includes baritone solos by Edd Blackler, Missoula, who will emcee the show, and music by the Columbians. Diliberto said the Columbia Falls group, directed by UM alumnus Don Lawrence, is one of the most outstanding high school stage bands in the Northwest.

Di Pasquale, former music director of Jamie and the Jay Silvia Singers, currently composes for films and television and writes music for TV and radio commercials. He wrote the sound track of "Way Back," which won the American Film Festival in 1965.

The guest artist was named most outstanding tenor saxophonist and arranger of the 1963 Notre Dame Collegiate Jazz Festival. He has played for Stan Kenton, Buddy Morrow, Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey, Les Elgart, Henry Mancini, Barbra Streisand and Harry Belafonte.

Admission for the jazz concert is one dollar.