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University of Minnesota School of Music presents Jazz Ensembles in A Salute to Big Bands, May 4, 2010

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (4/20/10) — The University of Minnesota School of Music brings back the magic of the Big Band era with "A Salute to Big Bands," a live recreation of a 1940s radio broadcast on Tuesday, May 4 at 7:30 p.m. at Ted Mann Concert Hall. "A Salute to Big Bands" will be emceed by KBEM-FM Jazz 88 radio host Jerry Swanberg and recorded for broadcast on KBEM-FM Jazz 88. This event is free and open to the public.

The concert will feature School of Music Jazz Ensembles I and II along with director Phil Hey's ensemble Jazz at 12:20 with special guest emcees Jerry Swanberg, Leigh Kamman, Bruce Warner, and Emmanuel Perry. School of Music director of jazz studies and professor Dean Sorenson will direct the program.

School of Music Jazz Ensembles will perform favorites from the Glenn Miller Orchestra, Harry James Orchestra, Jimmie Lunceford Orchestra, Duke Ellington Orchestra, Benny Carter Orchestra, Artie Shaw Orchestra, Charlie Barnet Orchestra, and the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra.

The evening's emces will announce the program in four parts as if they were originating from Twin Cities jazz venues from the heyday of Big Bands — the Prom Ballroom, St. Paul; Club Casino in the St. Paul Hotel, St. Paul; Minnesota Terrace in the Nicollet Hotel, Minneapolis.

This program is made possible with support from the University of Minnesota School of Music, KBEM-FM Jazz 88, and the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Established in 1902, the University of Minnesota School of Music offers a dynamic, comprehensive program to more than 550 music students in undergraduate and graduate programs, led by a world-class faculty of more than 50 artists, scholars and teachers. The School of Music presents more than 400 free concerts per year. For a complete schedule of events, visit www.music.umn.edu or call (612) 626-1094 for a brochure.

LISTING INFORMATION

University of Minnesota School of Music presents A Salute to Big Bands featuring Jazz Ensembles I and II, Jazz at 12:20

Dean Sorenon, director.

With special guest emcess Jerry Swanberg, Leigh Kamman, Bruce Warner, and Emmanuel Perry Tuesday, May 4 at 7:30 p.m.

Ted Mann Concert Hall (2128 Fourth Street South, Minneapolis, MN 55455)

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