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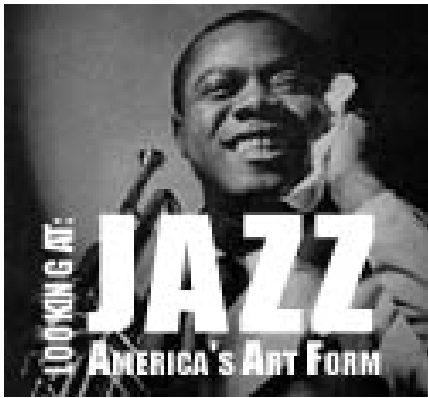
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Looking At Jazz, America's Art Form



Library Services and the Department of Music will present a six-part film viewing and discussion series called “Looking At: Jazz, America's Art Form” beginning March 19. The series uses documentary films and text to engage participants in a discussion of the cultural and social history of jazz as it developed in the United States. Film viewings and discussions, plus live jazz music, will take place on Mondays from 5:30 to 7:30 pm in the Halling Recital Hall of the Performing Arts Center. Sessions will be moderated by Dr. Gerard Aloisio. The series is free and open to everyone in the Mankato area.

Since jazz was invented as an art form in early 20th century America, it has evolved in creative and innovative ways. The history of jazz is not only the history of an extraordinary musical genre but also the story of some of the central social, political and cultural issues of the 20th century. These themes continue to resonate today.

The series will cover the following topics:

- **March 19: New Orleans and the early pioneers of jazz**
- **March 26: The Jazz Age and Harlem as a center of art**
- **April 2: The Swing Era and jazz as America's popular music**
- **April 9: The art of women jazz singers, musicians, and composers**
- **April 16: Modern jazz and the fragmentation of jazz styles**
- **April 23: Jazz as an international music**

Memorial Library at MSU is one of 50 libraries and nonprofit organizations nationwide selected as pilot sites for the series, which is a project of Renew Media in partnership with the American Library Association and Jazz at Lincoln Center. Major funding was provided by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

For more information: contact Barb Bergman, Media Services Librarian, at (507) 389-5945; barbara.bergman@mnsu.edu or visit the Library homepage and follow the Looking At: Jazz link.

Watch for displays in the Library and additional jazz-related events during National Library Week in April!

Library Services Presents The Copyright Compliance Series

A new video series purchased by the library provides basic and essential information about copyright for educators and researchers. Because copyright law is extremely complex, anyone dealing with copyright matters could benefit from expert legal counsel. Video presentations by legal experts help make the rules of copyright less intimidating and less complex.

MSU faculty and staff are invited to attend any or all of the screenings of this new video series. All sessions will be held in Memorial Library 2042 from 3 to 4 pm.

Tuesday, March 6

Copyright 101: An Introduction to Copyright

Wednesday, March 7

**Copyright Works in the Classroom
Copyright, Research and Publication**

Thursday, March 8

**Copyright and Fair Use
DMCA and Digital Distance Education (The TEACH Act)**

The entire 10-part Copyright Compliance series is available for checkout from the Educational Resource Center. For more information, contact Barb Bergman, Media Services Librarian, 5945, barbara.bergman@mnsu.edu

DROP-IN WORKSHOPS OFFER RESEARCH HELP

Although a number of drop-in workshops designed to introduce students, staff, and faculty to library resources and provide research help have already occurred this semester, there are still a number of sessions scheduled. Registration is not required.

Finding Journal Articles

Memorial Library, Room 1027

Learn how to locate high quality journal articles using the Library's online databases.

Monday, February 19	2-3 pm
Thursday, February 22	2-3 pm

Citation Creation Tools

Memorial Library, Room 81

Learn how specific library databases can automatically create citations in styles such as APA and MLA. A general overview of RefWorks (an online program which creates both bibliographies and in-text citations) is included!

Note: This workshop does not teach how to use or interpret writing styles but describes what databases electronically generate citations.

Wednesday, February 21	2-3 pm
Monday, February 26	2-3 pm
Tuesday, March 20	4:30-5:30 pm

For more information, visit the Library Services website at lib.mnsu.edu or contact Justine Martin, Instruction Coordinator at justine.martin@mnsu.edu or x2251.