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23 September, 2019

Funk Music Planned at Wednesday Free Concert at SWOSU

A night of funk music is planned this Wednesday, September 25, on the Southwestern Oklahoma State University campus in Weatherford.

For the past two years, the SWOSU jazz ensembles have featured a different jazz style to focus on with the first being swing and last year being Latin jazz. This year it's funk, according to Dr. Richard Kirk of the SWOSU Music Department.

The evening will begin at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom. The concert is free and open to the public.

Funky jazz came out of the 1960's with such artists as Herbie Hancock, Jimmy Smith and Miles Davis, which then influenced popular groups Tower of Power, Chase and Blood, Sweat, and Tears.

Tunes featured at Wednesday's concert include music by Stevie Wonder, Jeff Jarvis, Tower of Power and arrangements by this year's jazz festival headliner, Gordon Goodwin.

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