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JAZZ FORUM ARTS HOSTS 4th ANNUAL VOCAL JAZZ COMPETITION

**Westchester County's Premier Presenter of Jazz Artists Is Looking For New
Vocal Talent on June 14 at the Hudson River Museum**

TARRYTOWN, NEW YORK – May 27, 2015: Jazz Forum Arts (JFA), the top presenter of jazz artists in Westchester County, is holding its **4th Annual Vocal Jazz Competition** on Sunday, June 14, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room at the Hudson River Museum (511 Warburton Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10701). JFA's mission is to "present top-quality arts events to the public at little or no cost, while enhancing the appreciation of Jazz, America's pre-eminent indigenous musical art form." JFA's **4th Annual Vocal Jazz Competition** will embrace this mission by working to identify budding vocal jazz talent in Westchester County and giving them an opportunity to showcase their artistry during JFA's 2014 free Summer Concert Series.

"JFA and its Board are truly excited to be continuing our vocal jazz competition for Westchester County," said Mark Morganeli, Founder and Executive Director for JFA. "We have had a great response for the past three years and many have already inquired about this year's audition date."

JFA's **4th Annual Vocal Jazz Competition** will be auditioning jazz vocalists, from soloists and duos to a cappella groups. Auditioning jazz artists, ages 13 and older, will be judged on how well they sing in the jazz style (i.e. phrasing, musicality, scatting, performance and tone). The 2015 judges for JFA's **4th Annual Vocal Jazz Competition** are renowned Jazz vocalist Melissa Stylianou; acclaimed Jazz vocalist Nicole Pasternak; Felita Granby, the Greater Hudson Valley Chapter of the LINKS, Inc., and JFA Board Member/Coordinator/ Founder of the competition and accomplished jazz vocalist, **Tyrha M. Lindsey-Warren**; Pianist, **Hiroshi Yamazaki**, will accompany the vocal participants.

JFA's **4th Annual Vocal Jazz Competition** is free to the public. However, the Hudson River Museum will also allow persons auditioning to also visit the museum. After the audition, persons can simply go to the front desk in order to pay the admission fee of \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 16 years old.

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All interested vocalists who want to participate in JFA's **4th Annual Vocal Jazz Competition** must download an audition form at **www.jazzforumarts.org** and bring it with them to the audition on June 14. You will also be able to complete the form at the audition site.

For more information on JFA's **4th Annual Vocal Jazz Competition**, visit **www.jazzforumarts.org**.

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