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IRVIN MAYFIELD & THE NEW ORLEANS JAZZ ORCHESTRA

PERFORM HOLIDAY CONCERT ON DEC. 13

PURCHASE — Irvin Mayfield & The New Orleans Jazz Orchestra takes an exhilarating journey through New Orleans' legacy of jazz, blues, swing and spirituals at *Home For the Holidays*, a concert at **The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College** on Saturday, Dec. 13 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$52.50, \$42.50 and \$32.50.

The orchestra —15 top New Orleans jazz musicians led by Grammy-nominated trumpeter and composer Irvin Mayfield — is the only major performing and presenting jazz institution based in post-Katrina New Orleans. *Home for the Holidays* features selections from celebrated music such as Duke Ellington's *Nutcracker Suite*, Louis Armstrong's version of *O Christmas Tree*, the Charlie

Brown classic *Christmas Time is Here* and modern versions of standards including *Little Drummer Boy* done the New Orleans way.

The Jazz Series at The Performing Arts Center continues with **McCoy Tyner** (Feb. 21) and the **Maria Schneider Orchestra** (Mar. 27).

For more information, and to buy tickets, contact **The Performing Arts Center** ticket office (914-251-6200) or log onto The Center's website at <http://www.artscenter.org>.

The Center's 31st season is made possible, in part, by the Basic Program Support Grant of the Westchester Arts Council with funds from Westchester County Government.

Purchase College is located in Westchester County, minutes from the Connecticut border. The college, part of the State University of New York system, is a major institution of public higher education encompassing the liberal arts and sciences, professional training in the performing and visual arts, and continuing education. The college campus is home to The Performing Arts Center and The Neuberger Museum of Art, which strive to present models of excellence for both the college and its surrounding community.

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