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## SAMMONS CENTER RELEASES CD/DVD TO CELEBRATE 30 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE ARTS, LOCAL JAZZ SCENE

**“Sammons Jazz Directors Cut” Features Original Compositions by Artistic Directors**

**DALLAS/May 3, 2019** — Celebrating 30 years of serving as a multipurpose performing arts center and as a regular venue for local jazz, the nonprofit Sammons Center for the Arts announced the release of “Sammons Jazz Directors Cut.” The CD features six original compositions by the jazz program’s current and previous artistic directors: Arlington Jones, Vicho Vicencio, Roger Boykin and James Gilyard. The DVD is highlighted by interviews with the four artistic directors and the founders of the concert series.

The cover artwork was inspired by “Sammons Jazz at 30,” an oil painting by noted artist/illustrator Bart Forbes. “Sammons Jazz Directors Cut” costs \$25 if picked up at the Center or for \$29.50 (includes S&H) at [www.sammonsartcenter.org](http://www.sammonsartcenter.org). The music is also available on [Spotify](#) and [Apple Music](#). Sales proceeds benefit the Sammons Center and the jazz program.

“The Sammons Center opened in 1988, and one year later we launched Sammons Jazz,” said Executive Director Joanna St. Angelo. “We have since become home to 14 local performing arts organizations and to the longest-running jazz series in North Texas that showcases local talent. We are delighted to offer the CD/DVD as a way to share our history and great jazz with everyone who loves the arts.”

For more information, call the Sammons Center at (214) 520-7788 or visit [www.sammonsartcenter.org](http://www.sammonsartcenter.org).

### **About the Sammons Center for the Arts**

The Sammons Center for the Arts was founded in 1981 to renovate the historic Turtle Creek Pump Station, built in 1909 at 3630 Harry Hines Boulevard, and operate it as a multipurpose arts center. After several years of extensive renovation, the Sammons Center opened March 1, 1988. A 501(c)(3) organization, the Sammons Center is home to 14 performing arts groups representing dance, theater, orchestral music and choral music. It provides low-cost office, rehearsal, audition, meeting, workshop and performance space as well as administrative, operational and educational resources to its resident groups

and more than 90 other nonprofit cultural organizations. The Sammons Center also presents the multifaceted Sammons Jazz program of concerts, youth outreach events and community programming. For more information, call (214) 520-7788 or visit [www.sammonsartcenter.org](http://www.sammonsartcenter.org).

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