Concert Press Release – Cyrille Aimée with Texins Jazz Band

Sunday, April 14th, 7PM at the Eisesmann Center Bank of America Theater (BOAT)

The **Texins Jazz Band** has a 37-year history of producing concerts featuring great guest artists. Our next guest is truly an international artist. Cyrille Aimée grew up in a multilingual household full of music where dancing was

an everyday activity, soundtracked by the Afro-Caribbean sounds of her mother's native Dominican Republic. The family home was in Samois-sur-Seine, the location of the Django Reinhardt Festival, and the teenage Cyrille would climb out of her bedroom window at night to mingle with the players, igniting a passion for jazz. Grammy nominated Aimée has won the Montreux Jazz Festival's Vocal Competition, the Sarah Vaughn International Jazz Vocal Competition, and was a finalist in the Thelonious Monk Vocal Competition. She has performed at virtually every major jazz festival in the world.



Cyrille teamed up with producer/multi-instrumentalist Jake Sherman, and together they have created her latest album, A Fleur de Peau. to be released on a new label, the London-based imprint Whirlwind Recordings. Combining the depth and sophistication of jazz, the immediacy of pop, the irrepressible dance rhythms of the Caribbean, it's more intimate and more accessible than anything Cyrille has done before.



Texins Jazz Band is a full 18-piece big band based in Dallas, TX. The band is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. From 1986-2019 the band operated as The Texas Instruments Jazz Band and was organized through the Texins Association (Dallas, Texas) of Texas Instruments. The group formed in the summer of 1986, sparked by an ad placed in a

TI company newspaper. The Texins Association ceased operation in 2019 and the band became the Texins Jazz Band in 2020. The majority of band members have STEM based degrees and careers (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math). The band is under the musical direction of Bill Centera. This organization is funded in part by the City of Richardson through the City of Richardson Cultural Arts Commission.



Texins also likes to offer local high school jazz bands the chance to open our concerts and perform with the guest artist as well. The Plano East High School Jazz Band will open the show.

Cyrille Aimée with Texins Jazz Band and Plano East High School Jazz Band

Date & Time: Sunday, April 14, 2024 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Tickets: On sale now - \$14-\$18 (students); \$28-\$36 (adults) – link at https:/texinsjazz.com Direct Ticket Link: https://www.eisemanncenter.com/event/i/9983/d/texins-jazz-band

Venue: Eisemann Center - Bank of America Theater (BOAT), 2351 Performance Dr, Richardson, TX 75082

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Promo video link: https://youtu.be/ DgmJJivfXI

Cyrille Video: Undecided: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qfh3GcVRw7M

Cyrille Video: Almost Like Being in Love: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W5 UXLCh4U8