



WIJO MENTORS PROGRAM

Now accepting applications for Spring 2019 Semester!

Applications are due January 31 at Midnight EST

Women In Jazz Organization (WIJO) is now inviting young women and non binary people in Jazz at the college level to apply for *WIJO Mentors*, a free mentorship program connecting students with professionals for a one-on-one learning opportunity. Selected applicants will receive a once in a lifetime experience to connect with professional Jazz musicians in a safe and supportive environment, getting feedback and guidance on musical, career, and personal skills. Mentors are qualified WIJO Members who have volunteered their expertise and time for this great cause.

WIJO Mentors Program Provides:

- **Musical Development**
Mentors will provide a 1-hour lesson to Mentee in person, if geography allows (or via video chat)
- **Personal Connection**
Mentors will provide 3 hours of meetings or discussions per semester in person (or remotely)
- **Professional Feedback**
Mentor will provide feedback on Mentee's application, video performance, resume, and bio
- **Community Building**
All WIJO Mentors & Mentees will be invited to an introductory WIJO Member Meeting
- **Access to Resources**
Mentees will gain access to various WIJO Member materials and resources

Topics of discussion may include:

- **Musical Skills**
Practice routine, band leading, chart writing, attending/leading a jam session, recording, listening, etc.
- **Entrepreneurial Skills**
Social media management, branding, booking gigs, website, grant writing, etc.
- **Interpersonal Skills**
How to present yourself in a professional way, getting to know how the Jazz community works
- **Shared Experiences**
As a woman or non-binary person in Jazz

How to Apply:

Mentee Applicants Must Submit

- WIJO Mentors Online Application Form: <http://bit.ly/WIJOMenteeApp>
- Current Resume & Bio
- Letter of Recommendation
- Video Recording (see [video requirements](#) in separate document)
- \$25 USD Application Fee

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More Info: wearewijo.org/mentors

Mentees will be selected and paired with Mentors based on application forms, letters of recommendation, information provided in bio and resume, performance on video submission, and other considerations including main instrument, musical ability, artistic vision, business experience, geographic location, and potential for growth, as well as ability to contribute to the community of women and non-binary people in jazz.

All WIJO Mentors Mentee Applicants will receive feedback on their applications, even if they do not get selected for the current Spring 2019 Semester of the WIJO Mentors Program. Applicants are encouraged to re-apply for as many semesters as they are eligible.