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Latin Jazz Ensemble to Perform Original Concert on April 19

(MAHWAH, NJ) - The Latin Jazz Ensemble will perform a concert of all original compositions on Friday, April 19 at 7 p.m. in the H-Wing Auditorium. All music was composed by Professor of Music Richard Sorce.

The Latin Jazz Ensemble consists of students, faculty and other professional instrumentalists. Performers include Vinnie Cutro on trumpet, Mark Friedman on alto sax and flute, Bob Ferrel on trombone, Barry Wiesenfeld on bass, Bobby Deitch on drums, Russ De Filippis on guitar, Amarildo Costa on Latin percussion, Matthew Wilson on cello, Andrew Van Buskirk on keyboard strings, Michelle Encarnacion on vocals and composer Sorce on piano.

Admission is free, and the event is open to the public. For more information, contact Professor Richard Sorce at <u>rsorce@ramapo.edu</u> or (201) 684-7207.

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Established in 1969, Ramapo College offers bachelor's degrees in the arts, business, humanities, social sciences and the sciences, as well as in professional studies, which include nursing and social work. In addition, Ramapo College offers courses leading to teacher certification at the elementary and secondary levels. The College also offers six graduate programs as well as articulated programs with the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, New York Chiropractic College, New York University College of Dentistry, SUNY State College of Optometry and New York College of Podiatric Medicine.