

2003 Carmine Caruso



International Jazz Trumpet Solo Competition

The University of Central Florida Department of Music is proud to host the 2003 Carmine Caruso International Jazz Trumpet Solo Competition on November 15, 2003. The benefactors of this biennial competition are the International Trumpet Guild and the Herb Alpert Foundation.

Five finalists have been chosen to compete for a first prize of \$10,000 and a second prize of \$5,000. The finalists are Nathan Botts, Utah; David Champagne, Florida; Dominick Farinacci, Ohio; Jason Palmer, Massachusetts; and Gregory Rivkin, New York.

The final round of the competition will take place in the form of a concert and will be held at 1:30 pm on November 15, 2003 in the Rehearsal Building on the UCF main campus in Orlando, FL. The competition artists/judges for this event are Clay Jenkins (Eastman School of Music), Tiger Okoshi (Berklee College of Music), and John Swana (Criss Cross recording artist).

A Grand Finale concert will be presented at 8:00 pm on the evening of November 15th in the Pegasus Grand Ballroom in the UCF Student Union. This concert will feature the U.S. Army Blues Jazz Ensemble from Washington, DC. The judges, along with the winners of the competition, will perform with the Army Blues.

Additional events will include a big band clinic offered by the Army Blues on Friday November 14th from 5:30 - 6:30pm. Laurie Frink, lead trumpet of the Bob Mintzer Big Band, will present a clinic on the Carmine Caruso Trumpet Method on Saturday November 15th from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. These two programs will be held in the University of Central Florida Rehearsal Building. All events for the Caruso Competition are free and open to the public.

For further information please visit www.ucftrumpet.com or call John Almeida, UCF Professor of Trumpet Studies at 407-823-2510 or E-mail arsantiqua@aol.com.



Artists / Judges: (Bottom to Top) Laurie Frink, Tiger Okoshi, John Swana, Clay Jenkins, and the U.S. Army Blues

