

October 2016

Dear Colleagues,

I'm pleased to announce that the **28th Annual Millikin University Vocal Jazz Festival** will be held on **Saturday, February 18, 2017**. This year's festival will once again be held at the beautiful *Kirkland Fine Arts Center* on our campus. Featured clinicians are the members of **Groove for Thought**.

Groove for Thought will be featured in an evening concert that night beginning at 7:30p. Millikin's **OneVoice** will open the show. Tickets are only \$5 per person for participating ensembles!

Festival features include...

- Non-competitive format
- Outstanding clinicians
- A beautiful performance venue
- A supportive and enthusiastic audience
- A high quality, professional sound system to reinforce your group
- Piano, drums and amplifiers on stage
- Private *off-stage* clinics following your performance
- Certificates for outstanding individuals
- Special Evening Performance by **Groove for Thought!**

Hurry! Ensembles will be accepted to the festival on a first-come, first-served basis. **Deadline for entries is February 3, 2016**. Updated information regarding the festival can be found at our website: www.millikin.edu/vjfest

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (217) 424-6300 or through electronic mail at swidenhofer@millikin.edu

I hope you and your students will be able to participate in this outstanding educational event!



Festival Director