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The concert will be at 7:30 p.m. in Halling Recital Hall of the Performing Arts Center. General admission is \$16; tickets for students (K-12) are \$12; and students with a valid MavCard are \$9. The Jazz Singers will also perform.

Bergeron has performed as lead trumpeter in nearly every big band in Los Angeles. His clear, graceful sound can be heard on hundreds of record dates, motion pictures, television shows and jingle projects. Bergeron will offer a jazz clinic from 4-4:50 p.m. Saturday in Halling Recital Hall.

Kansas City native Mahogany has established himself as the quintessential jazz vocalist, with a gift for bebop, ballads, blues and swinging jazz. He will offer a vocal clinic from 3-3:50 p.m. Saturday at the Crossroads on Maywood Avenue, next to the Performing Arts Center.

University of North Texas jazz vocal instructor Rosana Eckert also will conduct a clinic from 11-11:50 a.m. Saturday. A rising star in the jazz world, she has captivated listeners worldwide with her smooth voice and creative songbook. A jazz vocal instructor in one of the nation’s top jazz programs, Eckert teaches privately and in the classroom, works at summer workshops and camps, and is in demand as an ensemble clinician and festival adjudicator.

Instrumental and vocal jazz groups from Twin Cities and Southern Minnesota high schools will attend the Jazzfest clinic and competition from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Each group performs and receives a clinic from area professional musicians/educators. One group will be chosen to perform in the evening concert for the “Tune of the Day.”

Those who want tickets or more information may call music faculty member Dale Haefner at (507) 389-5549.