## Dylan Hayes, Jazz Pianist

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Dylan Hayes is currently working on an electric band album that draws influences from jazz, R&B, neo-soul and funk. His next album will be a big band album featuring members of the Jim Knapp Orchestra and David Marriott's Tristadekaband. You can also catch Dylan playing around Seattle and the Bay Area with various different trios, quartets, and quintets featuring original compositions and arrangements. Dylan has taken over the big band book of renowned composer Jim Knapp. He has studied big band arranging with Jim Knapp, who is one of his biggest influences in terms of writing and arranging for big band. Dylan will soon start writing and arranging for the Full Circle Jazz Ensemble led by Nathaniel Paul Schleimer and Bob Hammer, who has arranged music for Charles Mingus's big band. Dylan's former high school has recently reached out to him to send his big band arrangements for the school to play.

The centrum jazz workshop offered Dylan a chance to work with Jeff Hamilton and George Cables. Dylan's trio, under the direction of Jeff Hamilton will be on the knkx radio station. Through performing at the centrum jazz workshop, the knkx radio station asked Dylan to put together his own band to be featured live on the radio.

Dylan is originally from San Francisco, and began playing piano at the age of 7. He attended an arts school in Novato, California, Marin School of the Arts, where he started playing in a rock, R&B, motown and funk band. As time progressed, he joined the top jazz band and realized the direction he wanted to take in his career as a musician. His first two influences were Stevie Wonder and Bill Evans, who continue to influence him as a Pianist and Composer. Dylan's piano playing has brought him to share the stage with top tier musicians in both San Francisco and Seattle such as Jay Thomas, Johnaye Kendrick, Michael Van Bebber, David Marriott, Travis Rainey, Mark Taylor, Dan Marcus, Christian Pincock, Michael Glynn, Rex Gregory and former member of Art Blakey's jazz messengers, Chris Amberger.

Dylan is going into his senior year at Cornish College of the Arts studying jazz piano under the private instruction of Jovino Santos Neto and Marina Albero. Some other musicians he's studied with at Cornish are Dawn Clement, Chuck Deardorf, Randy Halberstadt, Jim Knapp, and Dave Peck.