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Legendary bandleader, educator, NEA Jazz Master, and patriarch of one of New Orleans' most renowned musical families, Ellis Marsalis performed his annual free concert at Tulane on Thursday night presented by the Lagniappe Series of Newcomb-Tulane College.







Marsalis' hands and the piano keys are reflected in his glasses during his hour-and-a-half-long show.

Marsalis and his group in front of a packed house in Dixon Hall.

Drummer Joe Dyson solos as bassist Jason Stewart looks on.

The crowd of students, faculty, staff and members of the New Orleans community enjoy Derek Douget's work on saxophone.

Marsalis demonstrated why he is regarded as the premier modern jazz pianist in New Orleans with his smooth style and light touch.