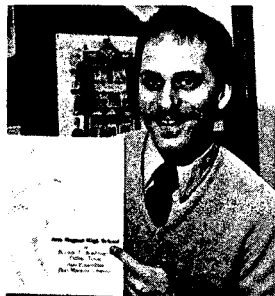


## Arts Magnet Jazz Band Toots Into First Place

The top high school lab band and jazz combo in the land belong to the Arts Magnet High School at Booker T. Washington. Both just won the honor for 1984-85 from the National Association of Jazz Educators based on their last album, Impressions, which was submitted to the NAJE by director Bart Marantz.

In mid-January, the groups played two performances for the NAJE convention at the AmFac Hotel in Dallas. They received standing ovations for both concerts. During one of the performances, Jiggs Wiggins, nationally acclaimed trombonist, joined them for several numbers.

The jazz groups under Marantz's tutelage have claimed other honors, including a Downbeat Magazine national award, an outstanding young musician in the U.S. award and top honors in the Cultural Heritage Music Festival in Mexico City.



*Band Director Bart Marantz*



*Joe Crump, one of the Arts Magnet Jazz Band's most versatile performers, plays the clarinet during the National Association of Jazz Educators' Convention in Dallas. The senior commutes daily from Denton to attend the Arts Magnet.*