

Booker T. Washington HSPVA's **Combo I** performed at the Next Gen Jazz Festival April'12. They were in the top six in the nation making the national finals. In the "DownBeat Student Music Awards" for 2012 **Trio I** won the combo division and the **Combo I** was runner up in the division for North America!



**Combo I**



**Trio I**

## BTWHSPVA DownBeat 2012 winners

Category: Jazz Group

*Performing Arts High School Winners*

BTW Jazz Trio I – *Bart Marantz - Director*

*Performing Arts High School Outstanding Performances*

BTW Jazz Combo I – *Bart Marantz – Director*

Category: Vocal Jazz Soloist

*Performing Arts High School Outstanding Performances*

BTW HSPVA Elliott Skinner – *Kent Ellingson – Director*

Category: Vocal Jazz Group

*Performing Arts High School Outstanding Performances*

BTW Lab Singers – *Kent Ellingson – Director*

Category: Blues/Pop/Rock Soloist

*Performing Arts High School Outstanding Performances*

Austin Allen, Vibes – *Bart Marantz – Director*

Category: Blues/Pop/Rock Group

*Performing Arts High School Outstanding Performances*

Midi Ensemble – *Bart Marantz – Director*

**TOTAL FOR 2012 One Win**

*Five Outstanding*

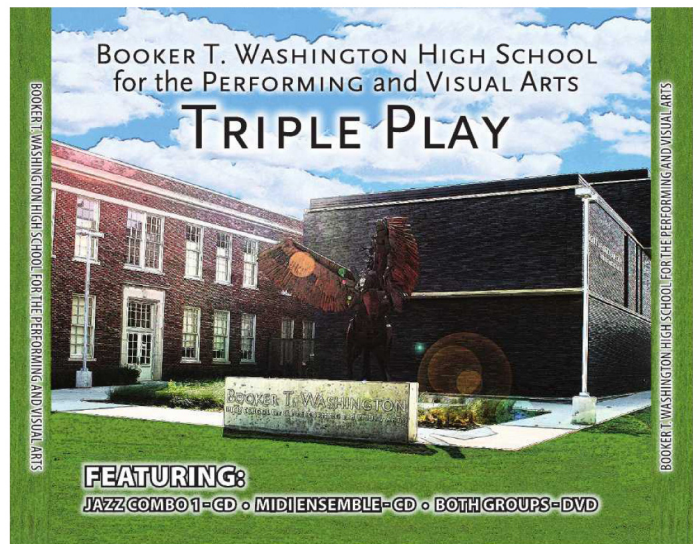
Jazz Education Network in partnership with Berklee College of Music presented the John LaPorta Jazz Educator of the Year to director **Bart Marantz** [center below]. The presentation was made at the third annual JEN conference held in Louisville, Kentucky in January 2012.





# Booker T. Washington High School for the Performing and Visual Arts, Dallas

From Dallas, BTWHSPVA jazz program director, **Bart Marantz**, reported, “Our new Album, *Triple Play*, contains music from our **Jazz Combo I**, our midi ensemble and a DVD with a Ken Burns style video of the wonderful things [our] kids have been doing.”



Master classes this year at BTWHSPVA included **Fred Hersch**, piano, who gave a master class in September.

Wessell Anderson, saxophone, from the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra presented a master class in February 2012.

