For Immediate Release

Dizzy Gillespie to appear with The Airmen of Note

Bolling Air Force Base, D.C., March, 1983—Dizzy Gillespie will appear with the United States Air Force Jazz Ensemble, THE AIRMEN OF NOTE, on Sunday, March 6th, at 3 P.M., at the D.A.R. Constitution Hall as part of The Band's 1983 Guest Artist Series. The concert is free and no tickets are required. There are more than 3,000 seats available. Doors open at 2 P.M., and the patron entrance is on 18th Street between C and D Streets N.W.

Dizzy Gillespie is one of two men (Charlie Parker the other) who get most of the credit for setting the jazz world on its ear when they introduced bebop. The famed trumpeter has always had a unique, only unto-Dizzy style of producing those gorgeous sounds for which he is known. When Dizzy puts trumpet to lips, his cheeks balloon to an alarming degree. Viewers are convinced that it would be no surprise if the musician floated to the ceiling.

Dizzy's musical talents extend to other instruments as well. He is accomplished on the conga drums and piano and was one of the first jazz leaders to use the electric bass in a jazz group.
(1983 Guest Artist Series)

Much to his credit, he has played in every major jazz festival, including the Monterey and Newport Jazz festivals. He has appeared on the "Tonight Show with Johnny Carson" and has been a special guest on "The Muppets". Additionally, at least 24 of Gillespie's albums are still in print, scattered through the catalogs of eight record labels: Pablo, GNP, Prestige, Mercury, Savoy, Verve, Impulse and Mainstream.

All concerts are presented by the United States Air Force as a public service. The information contained in this release is available on tape recorded message by calling (202) 767-5658. If you need additional information, please call (202) 767-4310 Monday through Friday between 8 A.M. and 4 P.M.. In the event of inclement weather, call (202) 767-4224 for a possible cancellation announcement.

Upcoming concerts in the U.S. Air Force Band's 1983 Guest Artist Series at the D.A.R. Constitution Hall include:

March 6 — Dizzy Gillespie (Airmen of Note)
March 13 — No Concert
March 20 — Mister Rogers' Neighborhood
March 27 — Jerry Goldsmith