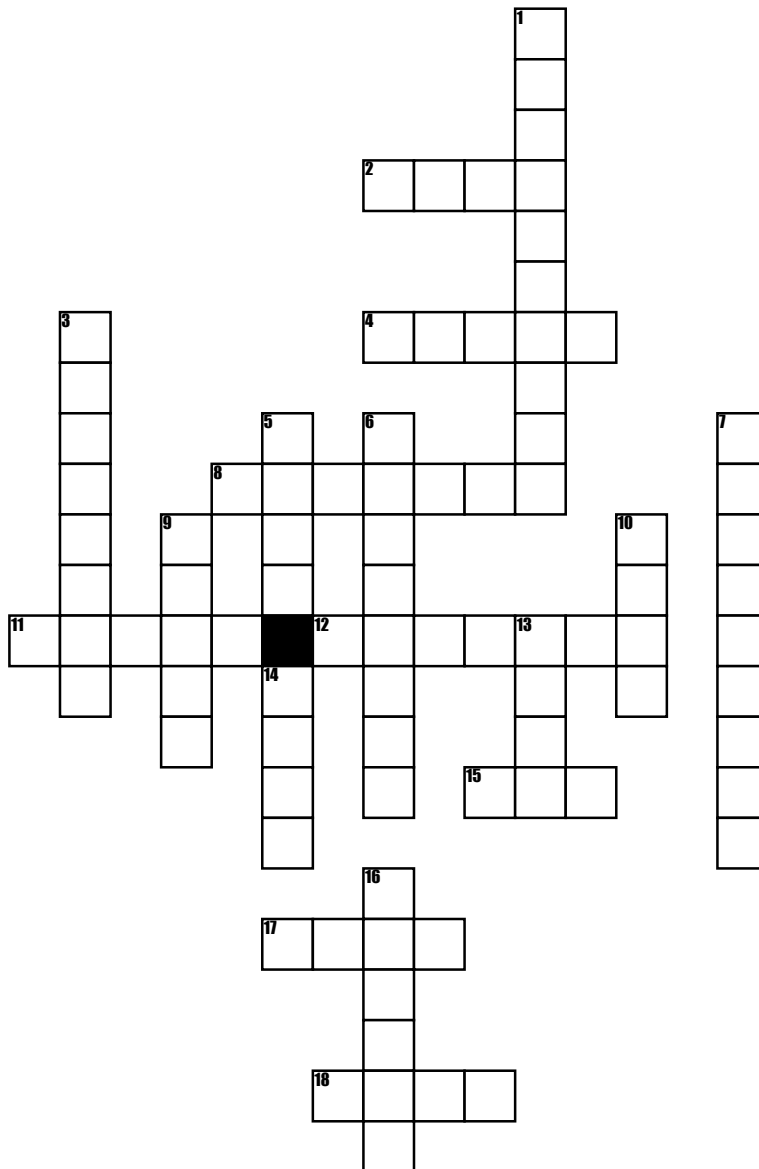


Famous Jazz Saxophonists and Their Nicknames



Across

2. He was a member of Herman's renowned "Four Brothers" saxophone section.

4. From 1957 to 1959, he joined Ronnie Scott in co-leading a quintet, The Jazz Couriers.

8. He attended Jarvis Christian College on a music and theology scholarship for three years

11. He was canonized by the African Orthodox Church

12. He played in the Kenny Clarke-Francy Boland Big Band with Johnny Griffin.

15. He formed a band with Sonny Stitt that featured their improvisation battles.

17. His recordings of "Ostrich Walk" and "There'll Come a Time" were used in the soundtrack of The Curious Case of Benjamin Button

18. To pay back his debts he sometimes sold his saxophone.

Down

1. He was the primary composer of the 1956 album Playboys which featured Art Pepper and Chet Baker.

3. Known for composing the Dave Brubeck's quartet's "Take Five".

5. As a jazz tenor saxophonist, he toured with Mamie Smith's Jazz Hounds

6. Known for popularizing bossa nova with the hit single "the girl from Ipanema" (1964) with Astrud Gilberto.

7. He got his nickname after an incident in which his hair was accidentally destroyed by a hair straightening product.

9. He collaborated with Chick Corea on an Afro-Cuban jazz version of "Autumn Leaves".

10. His birthday is September 7th, 1930 (which is exactly 70 years before I was born!)

13. He had a pianoless quartet in the 1950s with trumpeter Chet Baker.

14. Famous Jazz vocalist Billie Holiday gave him his nickname.

16. Duke Ellington had this to say about him: "Johnny Hodges has complete independence of expression. He says what he wants to say on the horn...in his language, from his perspective."