

The May issue of Jazz Times magazine features vibraphonist Bobby Hutcherson the cover, reminding me that he was one of the first artists to be presented at Utica College when I was on the staff of the Student Activities Office.

Over the next few years we had the pleasure of presenting major Jazz artists including Stan Getz, the Modern Jazz Quartet, Al Cohn and Zoot Sims and the Buddy Rich Big Band.

Putting on Jazz concerts can be a very rewarding experience, but it also has its moments of panic. Imagine picking up Stan Getz at his motel on a gloomy November day, and hearing him say "what a great afternoon to commit suicide." How about frantically trying to find an electrical outlet for Buddy Rich's bass player, and laying down an old floor lamp with a plug in the bottom just before the curtain went up? I'll never forget taking Hutcherson, saxophonist Harold Land and drummer Joe Chambers to dinner and driving like mad back to the concert hall, where we were already late.

Since Butch Conn and A Place for Jazz began presenting Jazz in 1987, there have also been some anxious moments. I was cool as a cucumber when Wycliffe Gordon arrived without his trombone and we had to rent one in a hurry at Hermie's Music Store. Or the time pianist Bill Charlap arrived only moments before the concert with no chance for a sound check and hoping that the sound would be OK (it was). Eric Alexander proved the devil is in the details when he left his saxophone neck strap at the hotel. I'm still thanking our former vice president, Tom Pierce, for talking to a waiting audience while the strap was being retrieved.

Despite all of this, the results are always worth it, which is why the board and volunteers of a Place for Jazz continue to put together the fall concert series that Butch began way back then. This fall's series is already in place. The schedule and details are inside.

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# APFJ FALL 2014 SERIES

ALL PERFORMANCES BEGIN AT 7:30 PM Unitarian Universalist Society of Schenectady, 1221 Wendell Avenue

#### SEPTEMBER 12

Trombonist **Clifton Anderson** began performing with his uncle, Sonny Rollins, in 1983. He now leads his own dynamic quintet, which has a repertoire that ranges from swinging bop to Latin grooves and calypso.

#### SEPTEMBER 26

Tenor saxophonist **George Garzone** is a member of The Fringe, a trio founded in 1972 that performs regularly in the Boston area and has toured world wide. He has appeared on over 20 recordings, including as a member of the Grammy-winning, log Lovano No.

Grammy-winning Joe Lovano Nonet. He will bring a quartet to our stage.

#### OCTOBER 10

Award-winning jazz vocalist Alexis Cole has made an impressive impact on audiences ever since she first took the stage as a teenager. She won the 2007 Jazzmobile competition and received an award in the Montreux Jazz Vocal Competition. She will be backed by a quartet that includes the outstanding tenor saxophonist Eric Alexander and the great pianist Harold Mabern.

# OCTOBER 24

Bassist John Menegon has been a mainstay of the regional jazz scene for years. He will head the lively quartet that is featured on his latest CD "I Remember You."

Tickets: \$15. One child under 12 admitted for free when accompanied by an adult. Series ticket: \$60 until September 12. To purchase tickets or become a member: aplaceforjazz.org 518.393.4011 coakjazz@aol.com

## NOVEMBER 7

Trumpeter and vocalist **Bria Skonberg** covers jazz from swing to modern. Her stage presence, coupled with her husky singing voice and trumpet chops, have garnered a "Rising Star" spot in DownBeat Magazine's 2013 Critics Poll and an "Up and Coming Star" nod from the Jazz Journalists' Association. She will close out the season with a quintet.



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#### THE ALBANY MUSICIANS' ASSOCIATION

free jazz concerts in June at three Albany sites:

Jun 11: Michel Benedict Jazz Vibes, 6:30 pm,

McGeary's Courtyard, N. Pearl St.

Jun 18: Mother Goose Jazz Quintet, 7 pm,

Albany Elks Lawn, S. Allen St.

Jun 25: Joe Finn Jazz Quartet, 6:30 pm,

Albany JCC Pavilion, Whitehall Road.

#### BELLEAYRE MUSIC FESTIVAL, HIGHMOUNT

belleayremusicfestival@gmail.com 845.254.5600 x1344

Aug 1: Django Reinhardt Festival All-Stars

Aug 2: The Cookers featuring George Cables, Billy

Harper, Billy Hart, Cecil McBee, Eddie Henderson,

Donald Harrison and David Weiss

Aug 7: Alberto Solis & Gil Gutierrez features Bob Stern

Aug 8: Pedrito Martinez Quartet

Aug 9: Romero Lubambo's Quintet

#### CAFFE LENA, SARATOGA SPRINGS

caffelena.org 583-0022

Jul 6: Dylan Perillo Orchestra

Aug 1: Frank Vignola & Vinny Raniolo

#### CLUB HELSINKI. HUDSON

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Jun 7: Jessica Molaskey & Her Italian Quartet

Jun 15: Alexander Turnquist

Jun 16: Voodoo Orchestra

Jul 7: Voodoo Orchestra

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theegg.org 473-1845

June 7: Bopitude Baritone Madness with Gary Smulyan,

Claire Daly, Bruce Johnston & Michael Benedict Trio

June 12: Diane Schuur

#### FREIHOFER'S JAZZ FESTIVAL, SPAC

www.spac.org 584-9330

Jun 28, Amphitheater: Earth Wind & Fire, Dr. Lonnie Smith Octet, Terence Blanchard, Mike Stern/Bill Evans Band, Jon Batiste & Stay Human, Ronnie Earl & The Broadcasters, Robin McKelle & The Flytones

Jun 28, Gazebo: Marc Cary Focus Trio, Lew Tabackin Trio, Jaimeo Brown with JD Allen & Chris Sholar, Mary Halvorson Trio, Robin McKelle & The Flytones

Jun 29, Amphitheater: Trombone Shorty, Eddie Palmieri Salsa Orchestra, Patti Austin, Dave Holland Prism, Newport Jazz Festival: Now 60, with Karrin Allyson, Anat Cohen, Randy Brecker, Larry Grenadier and Clarence Penn, Quinn Sullivan

Jun 29, Gazebo: Melissa Aldana and the Crash Trio, Tim Berne's Snakeoil, Warren Wolf and Wolfpack, Sean Jones Quartet with Orrin Evans, Luques Curtis and Obed Calvaire, Quinn Sullivan

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proctors.org, 382-3884

Jul 25: Bopitude with special guest Sharel Cassity Aug 15: Jazz Camp student performance with guest soloist Jerry Weldon

#### IRON HORSE, NORTHAMPTON

iheg.com 413.584.0610

Jul 31: Amir ElSaffar Quintet

Aug 3: Pedrito Martinez Group with Ariacne Trujillo

Aug 16: Jane Monheit Group

## JAZZ in the VALLEY, WAYANS PK, POUGHKEEPSIE

845.384.6350

Aug 17: Bobby Watson, Steve Turre, Lewis Nash, Eddie Henderson, Buster Williams, George Cables,

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# SUMMER JAZZ PREVIEW

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Lou Donaldson
performing
at our spring concert

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PS/21, CHATHAM

ps21chatham.org 392-6121

Jul 12: Dafnis Prieto Si O Si Quartet

#### SKIDMORE COLLEGE, SARATOGA SPRINGS

Summer Jazz Institute 580-5546

Jul 1: Rufus Reid Quintet

Jul 3: Skidmore Faculty Septet

Jul 4: Student concert

Jul 8: Gary Smulyan Trio

Jul 10: Skidmore Faculty Septet

Jul 11: Student concert

JAZZ ON JAY, JAY STREET, SCHENECTADY

Jun 5: Jeanne O'Connor Quartet

Jun 12: Alex Slomka Trio

Jun 19: A3

Jun 26: Azzaam Hameed Trio with Norm Frederick

Jul 3: Signature Brass Quintet

Jul 10: Ten27

Jul 17: Sonny & Perley

Jul 24: Mike Wicks Quintet with Mainstream

Originals

Jul 31: Steve Lambert and the Little Big Band

MAHAIWE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER.

Aug 8: The Bad Plus, with Joshua Redman

Aug 7: Mike Lawrence Trio

Aug 14: Arch Stanton Quartet

Aug 21: Dylan Canterbury Quartet

Aug 28: Keith Pray's Soul Jazz Revival

Sep 4: The Frank Capri Show

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Jun 27: Kenny Barron Trio
Aug 17: Ellis and Delfayo Marsalis

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Aug 24: Maria Schneider Orchestra

#### THE VAN DYCK, SCHENECTADY

vandycklounge.com 348-7999.

Jun 5: Tuck and Patti

Jun 20: New West Guitar Group

Jun 21: Stanley Jordan

Jul 19: Harry Allen/Paul Meyers Quartet

Jul 25: Bria Skonberg Band

Jul 26: Jazz Guitar Summit featuring Bucky Pizzarelli, Howard Alden and Gerry Beaudoin

#### MUSIC HAVEN, CENTRAL PK, SCHENECTADY

Aug 10: Ghost Train Orchestra plus Colleen Pratt &

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nanolamalta.com

Jun 8: Jeff Nania Trio

Jun 22: Eric Walentowicz Quartet

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Jun 27: Jeanne O'Connor & The New Standard

Jul 18: Hot Club of Saratoga





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| Sep 26   | George Garzone Quartet                               |          | \$15       |       |
| Oct 10   | Alexis Cole Quintet                                  |          | \$15       |       |
| Oct 24   | John Menegon Quartet                                 |          | \$15       |       |
| Nov 7  | Bria Skonberg Quintet                                |          | \$15       |       |
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