

*A not-for-profit that is dedicated to presenting the very best in Jazz in a beautiful listening space*

**A PLACE FOR JAZZ**

Summer 2015

Celebrating the music, the musicians  
and their audience in New York's  
Capital District and beyond.

## Getting Ready for Fall

### From the President



A Place for Jazz will begin our 2015 season on September 18 with a return visit by vocalist **René Marie**, who sang for us in 2002. She is a dynamic performer who writes her own songs as well as singing the great standards. Her most recent release is a tribute to Eartha Kitt, "I Wanna Be Evil," on the Motema label.

Pianist **Theo Hill** brings his quartet to our stage on October 2. Born in Albany, he began his jazz piano studies with Lee Shaw at age 12. He graduated from the Jazz Conservatory at SUNY Purchase. Since moving to New York City he has worked with Dave Liebman, Nicholas Payton, Charles Tolliver, Gregory Porter and others. He released his first CD in 2013.

**Manuel Valera** and his five-piece **New Cuban Express** will perform on October 16. Valera was born in Havana, Cuba. He has performed with Arturo Sandoval, Paquito D'Rivera and Dafnis Prieto. The group's recording was nominated for a Grammy in 2013 as Best Latin Jazz Album.

Pianist **John Nazarenko's** trio will play for us on October 30. He is a senior Artist-in-Residence at Skidmore College, where he teaches jazz piano and coaches jazz ensembles. He is also on the music faculty at Williams College and directs jazz studies at the Luzerne Music Center. He performs at jazz clubs in the Capital Region as a soloist and in group settings.

Saxophonist **Chris Potter** and his quartet will close out our season on November 13. He arrived on the New York scene in 1989, performing with bebop icon Red Rodney. Through the '90s, he continued to gain invaluable bandstand experience as a sideman while also making strong statements as a bandleader-composer-arranger. His recordings have shown a penchant for risk-taking and genre-bending.

But before all that, there is a summer full of jazz just around the corner! Take a look inside this newsletter for a listing of the jazz festivals and concerts in June, July and August.

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### ***SCCC Jazz Combo Receives National Recognition***

Congratulations to the Schenectady County Community College Jazz Combo and their Director, Brian Patneaude, for receiving the Community College Outstanding Performance Jazz Combo Award in *Downbeat* Magazine's 38th Annual Student Music Awards!

*Downbeat* received submissions from all across the country and judged ensembles on rigorous criteria used to review and critique professional albums. The entrants were judged on musicianship, creativity, improvisation, technique, sound quality and balance, excitement and authority. The panel, composed of professional musicians and educators, listened to each of the submissions blind and make selections based purely on the performance.

For a chance to hear this award-winning group play, come on out to Music Haven in Schenectady on August 2, where they will be opening for the Joey Alexander Trio.

Pictured in the photo from left are: Standing: Brian Patneaude, Director; Ben Martin, drums; Nick Kozak, bass; Matt Griffin, guitar; Seated: Joshua Nelson, alto saxophone, Connor Dunn, tenor saxophone.

## **RADIO JAZZ SHOWS**

### **WVCR 88.3 FM**

*The Crossroads of Jazz*, Darrin Scott and Ted Moisesides, Saturday 12-2 pm

A mix of the essentials and the contemporary

*Jazz2K—the ever evolving state of jazz in the 21st Century*, Jay Hunter, midnight Saturday to 2 am Sunday

### **WAMC 90.3 FM**

Tim Coakley, Saturday 11 pm-12 am

*Jazz After Hours*, Jeff Hanley, Saturday and Sunday 1-5 am; *Afro-Pop Worldwide*, Sunday 4 pm;

*Radio Deluxe*, John Pizzarelli and Jessica Molaskey Saturday 2-4 pm

### **WCDB 90.9 FM**

Bill McCann, Saturday 8 am-12 pm;

Bill Goss, *TGIF Jazz Party*, Friday 4-6 pm;

DJ MJ's *Beat Street Jazz*, *Jazz South of the Border*, Monday 10 am - 12 pm

### **WRPI 91.5 FM**

Rich Berkley's *Dusty Corners* heavy with, but not exclusively jazz, Tuesday 8-10 pm;

Kevin Roberts, Thursday 8-10 pm, varied theme show

### **WVPR 94.3 FM (Vermont Public Radio)**

Friday Night Jazz 8-11 pm

### **WQAR 101.3 FM**

Smooth jazz and jazzy vocals with Walt Adams, Sunday 10 am-1 pm

### **WABY1160 AM**

Chris Martin's

*Radio Archives*, Saturday 10 am-4 pm;

*Make Believe Ballroom*, Sunday 11 am- 3 pm;

Dick Wood's *Jazz Tracks*, Sunday 4-5 pm;

Sid Mark's *Sounds of Sinatra*, Sunday 5-7 pm



## Two Summer Jazz Institutes

### All Ears: Jazz and Improvised Music Workshop

Capital District Jazz Ltd ([www.cdjazz.org](http://www.cdjazz.org)) will be offering the *All Ears*: Jazz and Improvised Music Workshop at Schenectady County Community College from July 13-24. *All Ears* is a fun hands-on way to learn about jazz and improvised music. Learning to play music by ear was the traditional method utilized by many of the jazz greats. In this program, the faculty teach students how to develop their listening skills and provide step-by-step guidance through the process, helping them to gain results in a shorter amount of time. It continues the time-honored aural tradition of self-expression through the art of improvisation that has become the very foundation on which jazz was built. This is a great opportunity to learn the joys of playing jazz with no prior experience necessary and to have a great time doing it.

Guest artist will be **Ray Vega** (Trumpeter with Tito Puente, Mongo Santamaria, Ray Barretto).



**Open to:** all ages, levels, instruments and abilities

**When:** July 13-17 & July 20-24 (9am-3pm), concert July 24 at 6:30pm

**Where:** Schenectady County Community College (School of Music)

**Faculty:** Led by educators Keith Pray and Arthur Falbush along with other leading educators and performers from the Capital Region.

**Cost:** Week 1- \$200, Week 2- \$225, Both weeks \$400

Tuition assistance on a need basis may be available. Contact Capital District Jazz Ltd. for more information.

Capital District Jazz Ltd. is a not-for-profit organization committed to using education as a tool to build awareness of America's indigenous art form, jazz. For more information, visit [www.all earsjazz.com](http://www.all earsjazz.com) or contact Capital District Jazz at [info@cdjazz.org](mailto:info@cdjazz.org).



### The Jazz Institute at Proctors

Do you love playing jazz but don't know how to take the next big step? Leap into *The Jazz Institute* (TJI), the most immersive jazz experience for serious young musicians in the Capital Region! With recording clinics, master classes with renowned faculty, rhythm and improv courses and the transformation of the GE Theatre into a kickin' jazz club for your final gig, TJI will be sure to open your eyes to the thrill of playing jazz beyond the classroom. Check out these ramped-up offerings, taught by a dedicated group of teachers and performers and featuring guest specialists:



- ♫ Group improvisation and small combos
- ♫ Master classes
- ♫ Recording clinics
- ♫ Audition tape recording
- ♫ Video viewing sessions
- ♫ Guided discussions by area professionals
- ♫ Performance in the GE Theatre
- ♫ A high-quality CD of your final performance



**When:** August 3 – 7 & August 10 – 14, 2015 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. [M-F] (3 p.m. – 5 p.m. – Jam Band \*)

**Performance:** August 14, 2015 at 7 p.m. (GE Theatre at Proctors)

**Age Range:** 14 and Up

**Skill Level:** High school level and intermediate adults

**Registration Requirements:** Submit a CD/DVD or as a digital file at the time of the registration

**Location:** GE Theatre at Proctors

**Tuition:** \$500 (\*additional fee for the 3 p.m. – 5 p.m. Jam Band)

For more information, contact Jessica Johndrew Gelarden, Education Program Manager at Proctors

[jgelarden@proctors.org](mailto:jgelarden@proctors.org) or (518) 382-3884 ext. 150

Education @ Proctors Season 2014-15 [proctors.org/education](http://proctors.org/education)

Online Order Form: [http://www.proctors.org/education/order\\_form](http://www.proctors.org/education/order_form)



## Summer Jazz Happenings!

### **Alive at Five, Jennings Landing, Albany**

June 11: The Bad Plus, Joshua Redman, The Chronicles

### **Belleayre Music Festival, Highmount, 845-254-5600, [www.belleayremusic.org](http://www.belleayremusic.org)**

Aug. 1: Django Reinhardt Festival all Stars

Aug. 2: The Cookers

Aug. 8: Pedrito Martinez Group

Aug. 9: Romero Lubambo featuring Anat Cohen

### **Burlington Discover Jazz Festival, Burlington, VT**

[www.discoverjazz.com](http://www.discoverjazz.com)

June 5-14: Wayne Shorter, Christian McBride, Joe Locke, Melissa Aldana, others

### **Catskill Jazz Factory, 628-4424, [info@catskilljazzfactory.org](mailto:info@catskilljazzfactory.org)**

June 20: Steven Fiefke, Kaaterskill United Methodist Church, Tannersville

July 16: Etienne Charles and Creole Soul, Bard Spiegeltent, Annandale-on-Hudson

July 30: Chris Washburne & the SYOTOS band, Bard Spiegeltent

Aug. 13: Steven Feifke and the Catskill Jazz Factory All-Star Big Band, Bard Spiegeltent

Aug. 14: Steven Feifke and the Catskill Jazz Factory All-Star Big Band, Tannersville

### **Freihofer Jazz Festival, Saratoga Performing Arts Center, 584-9330**

June 27:

Maze, Cassandra Wilson, Al DiMeola Electric Band, Christian McBride Big Band, Pedrito Martinez Group, Monty Alexander's Harlem-Kingston Express, Theo Croker

Steve Wilson and Wilsonian's Grain, Theo Croker, Duchess, Omer Avital Quartet, Mike LeDonne Groover Quartet

June 28:

Erykah Badu, Shiela E, Snarky Puppy, Ronnie Earl and the Broadcasters

Head of State, featuring Gary Bartz, Larry Willis, Buster Williams, and Al Foster, Django Festival All-Stars, Etienne Charles

Benny Green Trio, Etienne Charles, KellyLee Evans, Yosvany Terry Quartet, Sonny Knight & The Lakers

### **Jazz in the Valley, Poughkeepsie, 845-384-6350**

Aug. 16: Arturo O'Farrill, Tia Fuller, Billy Drummond, Javon Jackson, Bill Charlap, Steve Kroon, Ron Carter, Kenny Washington, Peter Washington

### **Jazz on Jay, Jay Street, Schenectady, [www.proctors.org](http://www.proctors.org)**

June 4: Colleen Pratt & Friends

June 11: Joshua Nelson Quintet

June 18: Nat Phipps Trio with Antonia Brown

June 25: Wee-B3

July 2: Peg Delaney Trio

July 9: Bopitude

July 16: ElectriCity AfroCuband

July 23: Hot Club of Saratoga

July 30: The Dadtet

August 6: The Rob Lindquist Project

August 13: Teri Roiger Trio

August 20: Jim Wilson Quartet

August 27: Music by McIntosh

### **Made in the Shade of the Egg Series**

June 3: Alex Torres and Friends

June 10: Glen David Andrews

July 15: Bopitude

July 29: Brass and Blues

August 5: The Jazzy Four

### **Music Haven Concert Series @ Central Park in Schenectady**

July 12: Red Baraat, Hot Tamale Brass Band

August 2: Joey Alexander Trio, SCCC Jazz Combo

### **Newburgh Jazz-Go-Round, [www.ferrygodmother.com](http://www.ferrygodmother.com)**

Thursdays in August: Newburgh streets, parks and playgrounds

### **Rosendale Cafe, Rosendale, (845) 658-9048**

June 6: Frank Vignola and Bucky Pizzarelli

### **Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, 580-5546**

June 13: John Pizzarelli Quartet

June 30: Gary Bartz Quartet

July 2: Jazz Institute Faculty Sextet

July 3: Jazz Institute Student Concert

July 7: Ben Williams Quintet

July 9: Faculty Sextet

July 10: Student Concert

### **Summer 2015 @ The Plaza**

July 8: Jazz Night Featuring Kim Waters w/s/g Alex Bugnon

### **Swingtime Jazz Society, 584-3548**

June 14: Mark Capon Trio, Provence, Albany

### **The Egg, Albany, 473-1845**

June 12: Stephane Wremble and Django A Go-Go





*Celebrating the music, the musicians and their audience*

*Love Jazz? Here's how you can help make it happen: Join a wonderful, positive group of people working to make our community A Place for Jazz!*

## Order Form 2015 APFJ Concert Series

All concerts are on Friday nights at **7:30 PM** at the Unitarian Universalist Society in Schenectady. Tickets are \$15. *Save 20%* with a series ticket for only \$60! (Offer valid until September 11, 2015)

*For members:* Two children under 12 are free with member's full price ticket; ages 12-18, 1/2 price. Please give at least one week advance notice as seating is limited and we may be unable to accommodate you if the house is sold out.

*Still got questions? Contact Tim Coakley at (518) 393-4011 or [coakjazz@aol.com](mailto:coakjazz@aol.com).*

<i>Concerts</i>		Quantity	Price	Total
Sep 18	Rene Marie		\$15	
Oct 2	Theo Hill Quartet		\$15	
Oct 16	Manuel Valera and New Cuban Express		\$15	
Oct 30	John Nazarenko Trio		\$15	
Nov 13	Chris Potter Quartet		\$15	
<i>All Five Concerts - Save 20% (deadline: Sep 11, 2015)</i>			\$60	
<i>Membership Benefits</i>		Quantity	Price	Total
♪			Under \$50	
♪♪ Two free concert tickets			\$50-99	
♪♪♪ Five free tickets (one series ticket or five admissions to one concert)			\$100-199	
♪♪♪ Ten free tickets			\$200-499	
♪♪♪♪ Fifteen free tickets + Meet & Greet at concert of your choice + Free autographed CD + Designation as "Concert Underwriter" for one concert or educational program			\$500-999	
♪♪♪♪ Twenty free tickets + Meet & Greet at concert of your choice + Free autographed CD + Designation as "Concert Underwriter" for one concert or educational program + Lifetime membership			\$1000+	
<i>Total</i>				

Make checks payable to **A Place for Jazz** and mail to **APFJ, PO Box 1059, Schenectady, NY 12301**

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## Hot News for the Capital Region Jazz Community

*We're thrilled to announce a new benefit for our members: **A Place for Jazz** and the **Swingtime Jazz Society** have entered into an alliance with **The Jazz Cruise**!*

The Jazz Cruise is the first and only full-ship charter dedicated to "straight-ahead" jazz. The 15<sup>th</sup> sailing will be from January 17-24, 2016, and will feature over 100 world-class jazz musicians. You'll sail on Holland-America's m/s Eurodam from Ft. Lauderdale to Dominican Republic, St. Thomas, St. Croix and the Bahamas. Full details are at [thejazzcruise.com](http://thejazzcruise.com).

This new alliance will allow members of either APFJ or SJS to enjoy the cruise at a reduced cabin rate, and it's just one more reason why you should join APFJ or SJS today.

- A discount of 7% off the cabin rate is available to all members of the Swingtime Jazz Society and to members of A Place for Jazz who have paid at least \$50 for a 2015 membership.
- To get this discount, simply mention to Amy Grove when you make your reservation that you belong to APFJ or SJS.
- If you have already made your reservation for the 2016 cruise, contact Amy Grove (314-726-7626 or [amy@ecpcruises.com](mailto:amy@ecpcruises.com)) and tell her of your membership; the cabin discount will be applied retroactively.

It's only June, but the cruise is already over 85% sold, so you'd better act quickly. If you haven't already done so, pay your 2015 APFJ membership now to take advantage of this great deal and enjoy some wonderful jazz and equally wonderful camaraderie. Call Amy at 314-726-7626 or toll-free at 1-855-993-2782 and make your reservation today!

If you have any questions about this program, ask Jerry Gordon ([jerrygordon@juno.com](mailto:jerrygordon@juno.com) or 518-235-8232). And when you've booked your cabin, please let Jerry know your cabin number so we can track the success of this program.

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## LOCAL JAZZ VENUES

Check out our website for a full up-to-date performance and venue calendar!

**9 Maple Ave**  
Saratoga Springs  
518.587.7759

**Athos Restaurant**  
1814 Western Avenue  
Albany, 518.608.6400

**Blu Stone Bistro**  
661 Albany-Shaker Road  
Colonie, 518.869.9976

**Blue Plate Restaurant**  
1 Kinderhook Street  
Chatham, 518.392.7711

**Bread Alone**  
45 East Market Street  
Rhinebeck, 845.876.3108

**Café Capriccio**  
49 Grand Street  
Albany, 518.465.0439

**Carmen's Café**  
198 First Street  
(corner of Adams), Troy,  
518.326.2064

**Castle Street Café**  
10 Castle Street  
Great Barrington, MA  
413.528.5244

**Crown Grill at Circus  
Cafe**  
390 Broadway  
Saratoga Springs, 518.583.1105

**Druthers Brewing Co.**  
381 Broadway  
Saratoga Springs  
518.306.5275

**The Fountain  
Restaurant**  
283 New Scotland Avenue  
Albany, 518.482.9898

**The Falcon**  
1348 Rte 9W  
Marlboro, NY (85 miles  
south)

**First Reformed Church  
of Schenectady**  
8 N. Church Street Schenectady,  
518.377.2201

**Grappa '72 Ristorante**  
Central Ave  
Albany, 518.482.7200

**Lark Tavern**  
453 Madison Avenue  
Albany, 518.694.8490

**Marotta's Bar-risto**  
611 Union Street,  
Schenectady, 518.377.5100

**Mouzon House**  
1 York Street  
Saratoga Springs, 518.226.0014

**One Caroline Street  
Bistro**  
Saratoga Springs, 518.587.2026

**Panza's Restaurant**  
Route 9P Saratoga Lake  
Saratoga Springs, 518.584.6882

**Prime 677**  
677 Broadway  
Albany, 518.427.7463

**Provence Restaurant**  
Stuyvesant Plaza- Western Avenue  
at Fuller Road  
Albany, 518.689.7777

**Prime at Saratoga  
National Golf Club**  
458 Union Avenue  
Saratoga Springs 518.583.4653

**Pub at Cooper's Cave**  
2 Sagamore Street  
Glens Falls, 518.792.0007

**Roux Restaurant**  
10-01 Vista Blvd.  
Slingerlands, 518.487.4358

**Scrimshaw Restaurant  
The Desmond**  
660 Albany Shaker Road  
Albany, 518.869.8100

**Speakeasy 518**  
42 Howard St  
Albany, 518.449.2332

**Spindles**  
241 Remsen St  
Cohoes, 518.237.3816

**Stockade Inn**  
1 No. Church  
Street, Schenectady, 518.346.3400

**Van Dyck**  
237 Union Street,  
Schenectady, 518.346.7999

**Vermont Jazz Center**  
72 Cotton Mill Hill, Studio 222,  
Brattleboro, VT, 802.254.9088

**Wallabee's Jazz Bar**  
190 Glen Street,  
Glens Falls, 518.792.8282

**Wishing Well Restaurant**  
745 Saratoga Road,  
Wilton, 518.584.7640

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