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Celebration of 'Ole Blue Eyes Opens Jazz Season

From standards of the Great American Songbook to rising jazz stars, the Gold Coast Jazz Society's 2008-2009 Season of Jazz has something for everyone's jazz tastes. The first three concerts of this year's jazz series will highlight a palette of jazz vocalists.

On October 15, the season's opener will feature Bob Hoose, "one of the top 'Sinatra-Style' vocalists in the country today." Bob and his 16-piece jazz orchestra will wow you with his classic Sinatra tribute show, *Celebration of Sinatra*. A dead ringer with the Sinatra sound, Bob's concerts appeal to long-time fans of the American Songbook while at the same time introducing this classic music to a new younger audience. The orchestra, under the leadership of Frank Derrick, includes a cast of South Florida all-stars. This show is a must-see for all music lovers! To read more about Bob Hoose And His Orchestra, go to www.bobhooseorchestra.com.



October 15, 2008
Celebration of Sinatra
Bob Hoose & His Orchestra

According to Bob Young of *The Boston Herald*, the young jazz vocalist, Rachael Price "is right for jazz stardom." With command performances for legends Sir Elton John at The Society of Singers, Robert Goulet for the famed Shubert Organization, among others, Rachael Price is proving early accolades to be prophetic. In 2003, Price was tapped by the Grammy Foundation as a vocalist with the High School Grammy Jazz Choir, and she was a semi-finalist at the Montreux International Jazz Vocal Competition in France. In 2004, Price wowed the audience (and was the youngest competitor) at the Thelonious Monk International Jazz Competition (the last vocal competition brought Jane Monheit to prominence). She is a 2007 graduate of the New England Conservatory in Massachusetts. In fact, Massachusetts has played an ever-increasing role for the young singer. Cambridge-born, multi-Grammy nominated jazz vocalist Nnenna Freelon invited the young singer to sing for the audience at a clinic at the Montreux Jazz Festival where Freelon's manager heard Price. From that moment, the college-bound singer has traveled the world experiencing notable 'firsts' with her trio of four years: Erik Privert on bass, Warren Wolf on piano, and Dave Brophy on drums. You won't want to miss this rising jazz sensation as she performs center stage for GCJS on November 12.

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President's Message



Strong collaborations have always been a hallmark of the jazz tradition from the exuberant shout choruses of Dixieland days to the polished section playing of the great big bands to legendary creative partnerships like Duke Ellington & Billy Strayhorn, Dizzy Gillespie & Charlie Parker, Miles Davis & John Coltrane. Often unexpected meetings have yielded exciting musical results, whether at a late-night jam session, on stage, or in the studio. Earlier this year at Lincoln Center, trumpeter Wynton Marsalis extended this latter tradition taking the stage with country music superstar Willie Nelson—I'm tapping my foot to the CD version of their bluesy collaboration as I type this message to all of you.

At Gold Coast Jazz Society, we also love partnering up with members, supporters, musicians, students, schools, and other organizations. Many of you may have attended recent member events held in collaboration with the Bonnet House Alliance, the Rotary Club, or the Fort Lauderdale Historical Society. Roberta Young and her membership committee are working overtime planning even more exciting partnership events in the months ahead to give our members a chance to enjoy some good music and meet some new people. On October 12th, we'll team with the African American Research Library and Cultural Center for a member party celebrating the Harlem Renaissance. On November 14th, we return to the Bonnet House for another night of *Jazz & Chocolate* on their beautiful grounds. In January, our members will gather at the Broward Community College downtown campus for yet another exciting musical partnership event. And on February 27th, our annual jazz gala will be back at the Fort Lauderdale Grande. I hope you'll make an effort to attend some or all of these happenings. Or if you'd like to join a committee and help put one on, please call the jazz office.

Of course our most important collaboration is with our members who provide the strength of this organization, especially in challenging economic times. Those of you who are not members or have let your memberships lapse, I urge you to join today. We'll do our very best to give you back more than your money's worth of fun and musical stimulation—along with the satisfaction of doing something good for jazz, education, and your community.

Tim Ingham
President

We want YOUR feedback and suggestions about our concerts and artists. Just e-mail music@goldcoastjazz.org and our artistic planning committee will respond.



GCJS Welcomes New Board Members

The Gold Coast Jazz Society is pleased to announce the addition of four new members to the Board of Directors; John Ruffin, Jr., Michael Mattox, Michelle Tuggle and Buzz Lamb.

John Ruffin, Jr. is the chairman of the Ruffin Group, L.C., a government and business development consulting group and President and CEO of Trans Ocean Holdings, Inc., a company designed to create, facilitate and implement trade and investment opportunities on the Continent of Africa and the United States. He has been involved in numerous civic and community organizations.

Author, artist, educator and academic administrator, Michael Mattox, served on the board for GCJS for many years before moving to Mexico to pursue his writing career. He has since returned to South Florida and is joining the board again to support jazz.

Michelle Tuggle is the principle of The Tuggle Group in Fort Lauderdale, a company that works with public, private, nonprofit and corporate partners in support of community, international and domestic projects and initiatives.

Buzz Lamb is a life-time member of GCJS. He is currently a staff writer for the BCC Observer and the Lake George Mirror and also writes a column for the GCJS newsletter entitled "Jazz 101." Buzz and his wife, Cheryl, operated a marina in upstate New York for 31 years. After retiring from his business, Buzz and Cheryl winter in Fort Lauderdale and summer on Lake George.

Celebration of 'Ole Blue Eyes Opens Jazz Season *(continued)*



Rachael Price



Four Freshmen

Get ready for a special holiday treat on December 10 as The Four Freshmen perform a dynamite holiday jazz show. Voted #1 in the "Best Vocal Group" category in the 2007 *Jazz Times Readers Poll*, the Four Freshmen continue to thrill audiences worldwide with their unique brand of vocal harmony. As the influence for groups such as Take Six, Manhattan Transfer and the Beach Boys, the 22nd incarnation of the one and only Four Freshmen prove they are one of the longest running jazz ensembles around. The names and faces have changed a few times along the road, but the legendary Freshmen sound continues. Gather your friends and head over to Parker Playhouse for this special night of holiday jazz.

Information on the remaining concerts of the 2008-2009 jazz season are in the season brochure or you can go to the GCJS website at www.goldcoastjazz.org. Full and Jazz Sampler subscriptions are still available as well. For single tickets for these and all of the other GCJS shows, call the AutoNation box office at 954-462-0222 or order online at www.browardcenter.org.

Save the Date!

Gold Coast Jazz Gala
Feb. 27, 2009

Fort Lauderdale Grande Hotel & Yacht Club
1881 SE 17th Street • Ft. Lauderdale, FL

Cocktail Reception/Auction, Dinner, Jazz Show & Dancing

You're Invited... 

Fall Membership Event

On Stage with Gold Coast Jazz

Sunday afternoon

October 12, 2008

**African American Research
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2650 West Sistrunk Blvd. Ft.

Lauderdale, FL 33311

Jazz & Refreshments

\$25 per person

For an invitation or to
RSVP call 954-524-0805

Jazz & Chocolate at Bonnet House Museum & Gardens

Enjoy a fabulous evening of wine, chocolate and jazz! We're joining the Bonnet House Alliance again for the annual evening of Jazz & Chocolate on November 14, 2008 at the beautiful Bonnet House Museum & Gardens.

**\$32 per person for GCJS Members &
Bonnet House Alliance Members**

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“It’s a Wonderful World” ~Jazzin’ with Louis

Nicole Yarling led members of the Gold Coast Jazz Society band as they performed *Jazz is Elementary* at several area elementary schools in April and May of 2008. This year’s jazz educational program highlighted the life and times of jazz great Louis Armstrong, portrayed by local jazz musician Troy Anderson. Students were thrilled to see Louis and hear him perform several of his famous jazz tunes. These free school performances were graciously underwritten by grants from the Horvitz Family Foundation, FAB! and Broward County.



~ CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2008-2009 ~

- Oct. 12 GCJS Membership Event – African-American Library & Cultural Center 2:00pm – 4:00pm
- Oct. 15 Mainstage concert – Bob Hoose And His Orchestra Amaturro Theater – 7:45pm
- Nov. 12 Mainstage concert – Rachael Price, Jazz Vocalist - Amaturro Theater – 7:45pm
- Nov. 14 Jazz & Chocolate at Bonnet House - GCJS Member and Bonnet House Alliance & friends event
- Dec. 10 Mainstage concert – Four Freshmen – Amaturro Theater 7:45pm Bring a toy for Family Central
- Jan. 14 Mainstage concert – Oliver Jones, Jazz Pianist – Amaturro Theater – 7:45pm
- Jan. TBA GCJS Membership Event – Broward College Downtown Campus – time TBA
- Feb. 8 GCJS Band, Eric Allison, Music Director – NW Regional Library – FREE concert – 3:00pm
- Feb. 11 Mainstage concert – Brubeck Brothers Quartet – Amaturro Theater – 7:45pm
- Feb. 27 Annual Jazz Gala @ Ft. Lauderdale Grande Hotel & Yacht Club
- Mar. 11 Mainstage concert –Harry James Orchestra directed by Fred Radke – Amaturro Theater – 7:45pm
- Mar. 22 Spring Swing Friend-raising event – Ft. Lauderdale Historical Society - 4:00pm – 6:00pm
- Apr. 1 Mainstage concert – Richie Cole & GJS Band, Eric Allison, Music Director – Amaturro Theater – 7:45pm
- Apr. 14 Duke Ellington: Jazz Playin’ Man – Jazz educational program – Amaturro Theater – 10am & 11:30am
- Apr. 18 Jeanette Russell Jazz Scholarship Competition – Place TBD
- May 13 Mainstage concert – Nicole Henry, Jazz Vocalist – Amaturro Theater – 7:45pm
- May 17 Jazz Stars of Tomorrow – FREE Concert & reception – GCJS Scholarship winners – AARLC 2–4pm

Wee Ones Get a Taste of Jazz

Thanks to a grant from the Children's Opportunity Group and the support of Family Central, the Gold Coast Jazz Society jazzed it up at three area child care locations during the month of July. A jazz trio comprised of Nicole Yarling on vocals and violin, John Yarling on drums and Pete Wallace on keyboard had the kids movin' and grooving. The program, Jazz for Wee Ones, introduced jazz music to children of all ages at Village Methodist Child Care, All Ages Preschool and BCC South Campus Child Care Development.



Want to *JAZZ* up your next special event?

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What Will Your Legacy Be...

Jeanette Russell known fondly as Lady Jazz had a love affair with jazz. For years, she and "St. Louie Ray" attended jazz concerts and parties around the country. Jeanette was known for her life-long dedication, friendship and generosity to a multitude of jazz musicians and jazz organizations. She founded a jazz scholarship program in St. Louis in the name of her late husband. At the end of her life, Lady Jazz continued to carry the jazz torch by leaving a bequest for jazz scholarships to the Gold Coast Jazz Society. Thanks to her bequest, thousands of students will be afforded a jazz education now and in the future.

Remember the Gold Coast Jazz Society in your will or estate plan. To learn more, contact our office, your attorney, financial advisor or www.leavealegacybroward.org



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Rachel Price
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January 14, 2009
Tribute to Oscar Peterson
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February 11, 2009
The Brubeck
Brothers Quartet



March 11, 2009
The Golden Age of Swing
The Harry James Orchestra



April 1, 2009
Shelly Berg, Jiggs Whigham
& GCJS Band



May 13, 2009
Almost Like Being in Love
Nicole Henry, Jazz Vocalist

All artists, dates and times subject to change.



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