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Coastal Jazz Association January Concerts

Musical Salute to MLK

The Savannah Jazz Orchestra &
 Savannah Arts Academy Skyelite Band

Tuesday, January 9th at 7:00 P.M. at the
 Jewish Educational Alliance (Free)

The Jewish Educational Alliance will be host to the Ninth Annual, *A Musical Salute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.* on Tuesday, January 9th at 7:00 P.M. at the Jewish Educational Alliance (5111 Abercorn St). This year's event is being co-presented by the Coastal Jazz Association, through a generous grant from the [City of Savannah Leisure Services' Department of Cultural Affairs](#), the Jewish Educational Alliance, the Savannah Jewish Federation Community Relations Council, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Observance Day Association, and the Southeast Georgia Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers. Portman's Music Superstore and MorningStar Cultural Arts are the event's sponsors. There will be a dessert reception at intermission.

This very powerful event, which will feature the **Savannah Jazz Orchestra**, co-led by Teddy Adams and Randall Reese, & The Savannah Arts Academy **Skyelite Jazz Band**, under the baton of Michael Hutchinson, is part of the

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A Jazz Odyssey with Chris Chandler

Sunday, January 28
 Cobblestone Conch House

Chris Chandler: Keyboards
 John Kennedy: Stand up Bass
 Billy Hoffman: Drums
 Claire Frasier: Vocals

Chris Chandler, a Savannah native, has been playing piano and composing since childhood. He has a Master's Degree in Piano performance and is working toward a Doctorate in Musicology. He has recently accepted an academic position at Savannah Christian prep school as Choral director and music instructor. An ASCAP Award recipient in 2002 for his composition "Piano Roll Rag", Mr. Chandler has recorded six CD's and composed hundreds of songs in many musical styles ranging from Ragtime and Ballad to Popular, Country and Rock. His music is played on Nickelodeon, Nick at Night, A&E Biography and Comcast Cable. Mr. Chandler moved back to Savannah after a successful 6 years in Atlanta and a Russian tour in Summer 2003. Mr. Chandler records on the independent label Playing Dude Records and is Published by Risandler Publishing Company

The concert will take place at the Cobblestone Conch House (225 W. River Street) on Sunday, January 28th (2007) at 5 pm. The concert is free for Coastal Jazz Association members and \$10 for non-members. Attendees who join CJA while at the concert will also be admitted for free.

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official Martin Luther King, Jr. Observance Celebration which pays tribute to the birth and life of one of America's great men of freedom, justice and equality. The

Savannah Jazz Orchestra is comprised of the areas best musicians and has performed with some of the biggest names in jazz, including: Benny Golson, Jimmy Heath, Diane Schuur, Clark Terry and Bobby Watson. They have performed at most of the Savannah Jazz Festivals and their annual Tribute to the Duke Ellington Concert (April) is a favorite among local jazz fans. The Skyelite Jazz Band has traveled the globe representing Savannah and has won many awards and accolades. The event is free and open to the community. This will be an event for the whole community to share together. So grab the children and come hear some wonderful music as the JEA & CJA play host to a concert honoring one of the greatest men of the twentieth century.

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The Black Heritage Festival and the Jewish Educational Alliance present:

The Spelman College Jazz Ensemble

Monday, February 5, 2007 at the JEA

Since its inception, the Spelman College Jazz Ensemble has been establishing that jazz isn't a man's world after all.

From the women's college in Atlanta, Georgia, this unique combination of vocalists, wind instrumentalists and rhythm section has thrilled and excited audiences across the country with their innovative and soulful sound.

Organized in 1983, this talented, nationally-renowned, all female jazz ensemble has shared the stage with jazz greats such as Wynton Marsalis, Consuela Lee, Nancy Wilson, Leroy Jenkins, Valerie Capers, Straight Ahead Jazz Quartet, The Uptown Sting Quartet, DeeDee Bridgewater, and Regina Carter.

The ensemble has performed at the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival and concert performances in Chicago, Detroit, Philadelphia, Newark, New York, the University of Eastern Tennessee, Baltimore and Columbia, Maryland, University of Illinois, University of Michigan, Western Illinois, Notre Dame, University of Mass., Smith, Wisconsin, Drexel University, Purdue, Tri Cities Festival, Cleveland, Ohio, National Black Arts Festival, The Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. and The New Jersey Performing Arts Center.



The Ensemble has just released its fourth compact disc, "Feelin' Good," which includes a tribute to Nina Simone.

The Spelman College Jazz Ensemble will play at the Jewish Educational Alliance, 5111 Abercorn Street on February 5, 2007 at 7 p.m. The event is presented by the Black Heritage Festival and the Jewish Educational Alliance and sponsored by the [City of Savannah's Department of Cultural Affairs](#).

The Concert is free and the public is encouraged to attend.

Final coda

The following is a list of the 2006 passings of jazz, blues and other creative musicians and music industry persons. Apologies for those individuals who were inadvertently omitted.

- Ahmet Ertegun
- Arif Mardin
- James Brown
- Bob Weinstock
- Don Alias
- Walter Booker
- Lou Rawls
- Billy Preston
- Don Butterfield
- Desmond Dekker
- Malachai Thompson
- Hilton Ruiz
- Ray Barretto
- Ruth Brown
- Anita O'Day
- Shirley Horn
- Johnny Taylor
- Gerald LeVert
- John Stubbfield
- Dewey Redman
- Ed Bradley
- Jay McShann
- Katherine Dunham
- Luther Vandross
- Miguel "Angá" Diaz
- Pío Leiva
- Kenny Davern
- Manny Durán
- Etta Baker
- Robert McFerrin
- Arthur Lee
- Bennie Smith
- Johnny Jenkins
- Wilson Pickett
- Ali Farka Toure
- Willie Kent
- Georgia Gibbs
- John Hicks
- Jackie McLean
- Raphie Malik
- Elton Dean
- Jack Montrose
- Romano Mussofini
- Martha Tilton
- Sherman Ferguson
- Maynard Ferguson
- Robert Jr. Lockwood
- Rufus Harley
- Arnold Boyd

CJA ANNUAL MEETING IN FEBRUARY . . . The CJA All-Stars Will Be Featured.

The Coastal Jazz Association Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 25th at the Cobblestone Conch House. During the annual meeting, the CJA membership will elect a new Board of Directors. All members are encouraged to attend. Those individuals who join CJA before the meeting will also have voting privileges.

The annual meeting will be held Sunday, February 25th at five p.m. at the Cobblestone Conch House (225 W. River Street) and will feature the Coastal Jazz Association All-Stars. The event is free for Coastal Jazz Association members and \$10 for non-members. Attendees who join CJA while at the concert will also be admitted for free and will be eligible to vote for the slate of officers.

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EARLY RENEWAL HELPS JAZZ IN SAVANNAH!!

Help fund jazz programs in Savannah by renewing your CJA membership early. By allowing your membership to co-inside with the “calendar year,” you will help raise funds that will support CJA projects. Simply send in your membership dues now (see page 7 of Noteworthy or go to www.coastal-jazz.org for membership information).

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Savannah Music Festival Jazz

The annual Savannah Music Festival is one of the largest and most diverse music festivals in the southeastern United States and is truly "Southern, Soulful and Sophisticated." Billed as “Paradise for Music Lovers,” this unparalleled 18-day musical feast brings a distinctive line-up of the most extraordinary jazz musicians in the world to one of the South's most soulful cities, Savannah, Georgia – March 15-April 1, 2007. For additional information, contact the Savannah Music Festival (204 West St. Julian Street, 912-234-3378, web-address: www.savannahmusicfestival.org, Fax 236-1989, or email info@savannahmusicfestival.org). Tickets are available through the Trustees Theater Box Office – 912- 525-5050. or may be purchased online.

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Jazz Now & Forever Series: Ladies Sing The Blues: Dianne Reeves/Susan Tedeschi

The pre-eminent jazz vocalist, Dianne Reeve, who collected her fourth “Best Jazz Vocalist” Grammy® for her soundtrack to the Academy Award® - nominated film “Good Night, and Good Luck” is paired in this unique double bill with Susan Tedeschi, praised by The Music Box – “Let me assure you. Tedeschi is the real deal, and this time around the comparisons to Joplin and Raitt truly are warranted.”

Saturday, March 16, 6:00 PM, 9:00 PM

Lucas Theatre for the Arts

\$20, \$30, \$35, \$45

Jazz Now & Forever Series: Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis

One of the most remarkable jazz orchestras of our time, the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra (JLCO) has been touring the world under the direction of Wynton Marsalis for more than a dozen years, spreading the joy and nobility of jazz. “It was the kind of concert that Mr. Marsalis and his band have elevated to a potent formula ... in playing music like this, the band has no peer.” – NY Times

Saturday, March 24, 7:30 PM

Johnny Mercer Theater, \$25, \$40, 55, \$75, \$85

Al Jarreau

Al Jarreau’s unique vocal style is one of the world’s most precious treasures. His innovative musical expressions have made him one of the most exciting and critically-acclaimed performers of our time with five Grammy Awards, scores of international music awards and popular accolades worldwide. Come listen to Al Jarreau on Savannah Music Festival’s opening night. "His vocal performances are nothing short of astounding." - Rolling Stone

Monday, March 26, 7:30 PM

Trustees Theatre, \$20, \$30, \$35, \$45

Savannah Jazz Party Series: Piano Showdown 2007

Enjoy three consecutive and distinctive evening of unparalleled jazz music in the up-close and intimate setting of Orleans Hall. Rollicking piano, hot swing and sultry blues span three nights, featuring some of the most extraordinary jazz musicians in the world.

Wednesday, March 28, 6:00 PM, 8:00 PM

Orleans Hall, \$30

Savannah Jazz Party Series: Le Jazz Hot

This extraordinary evening showcases John Jorgensen whose quintet is a modern version of the legendary Quintette of the Hot Club of France created by Django Reinhardt and Stephane Grappelli. Kenny Davern, the great jazz clarinetist alive today, will lead his quarter performing an array of jazz classic. Master guitarists Bucky Pizzarelli, Howard Alden & James Chirillo will play solos, duets and trios with authority and fire.

Thursday, March 29, Pre-Concert Talk 4:30 PM;

Concerts 5:30 PM, 7:30 PM, 9:30 PM

Orleans Hall, \$30

Savannah Jazz Party Series: Swing Time

Night Three of the Jazz Party features trombonist Wycliffe Gordon leading an ensemble through classic early blues, while the Marcus Roberts Trio performs the elegant music of Cole Porter and Nat King Cole. Kenny Davern, Bucky Pizzarelli and Howard Alden will show why “swinging the blues” remains one of the most beloved pastimes in America.

Friday, March 30, 5:30 PM, 7:30 PM

Orleans Hall, \$30

High School Jazz Band Showcase

The Savannah Music Festival has invited twelve of the finest high school jazz bands in the Southeast to come to Savannah to receive expert training from a world-class cadre of jazz musicians during a two-day workshop.

While these hand-picked bands are in town and between sessions, they will share their talent with the Savannah community and its tourists. This is an excellent opportunity to celebrate young talent, hear some great jazz and introduce Festival goers and other tourists to the histories of Savannah, the South and its music!

Friday, March 30 and Saturday, March 31, 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM

City Market, FREE

Jazz Now & Forever Series: John Pizzarelli and the New York All-Star Band

Guitarist, vocalist and bandleader John Pizzarelli brings his 15-piece big band from NYC to perform classic standards, sultry ballads, and singing sounds rooted in the tradition of Frank Sinatra and Nat King Cole. Opening the evening will be an all-star big band of high school students from the SMF High School Jazz Band Workshop.

Saturday, March 31, 7:30 PM

Lucas Theatre for the Arts, \$20, \$30, \$35, \$45



Charlie Parker's private hell

Congratulations To The SkyeLite Jazz Band !

The Savannah Arts Academy SkyeLite Jazz Band has been selected to perform at the 2007 National School Boards Association Annual Conference at the Moscone Convention Center in San Francisco, California next April. The SkyeLite Jazz Band will perform during two different events on Saturday, April 14, 2006.

Silver Winds Ensemble Members Selected to Participate in GSU's Honor Band and the 2007 Ga. Music Educators 1st District Honor Band

Students in the Savannah Arts Academy Silver Winds Ensemble (SWE) have been selected to participate as members of the Georgia State University High School Honor Band and the 2007 Georgia Music Educators 1st District Honor Band. Eight members will also attend the University of Georgia's "JanFest" Band Clinic. More than 45 band members have been selected to participate in the 2007 Georgia Music Educators 1st District Honor Band February 2-3, 2007 at Armstrong Atlantic State University (AASU).

Playing Around . . .

CJA December Concert
Chris Chandler- Jazz Odyssey
Sunday, Jan 28th - 5 pm
Cobblestone Conch House
225 W. River Street

Crystal Beer
Parlor Ramblers
Fridays 7-10pm
912.443.9200

Forsyth Mansion
Live Jazz
Every Thur, Fri, Sat
9:00 pm-1:00 am

Coblestone Conch House
Annie Allman
Thur, Fri, Sat / 5pm-8pm
225 W. River Street

Kokopelli's
Live Jazz
Friday, Saturday
107 W. Broughton

Westin Sunday Brunch
Ben Tucker
Hutchinson Island

514 West
Friday Lunch and Dinner Jazz
Saturday: Dinner Jazz

The Jazz Corner / Hilton Head, SC
843.842.8620

JazzWeek (Radio) Top 100 of 2006

- 1 Pat Martino *Remember: A Tribute To Wes Montgomery*
- 2 Karrin Allyson *Footprints*
- 3 Roy Hargrove *Nothing Serious*
- 4 Dr. Lonnie Smith *Jungle Soul*
- 5 Joey DeFrancesco *Organic Vibes*
- 6 Cyrus Chestnut *Genuine Chestnut*
- 7 Diana Krall *From This Moment On*
- 8 Eric Alexander *It's All In The Game*
- 9 Jaco Pastorius Big Band *The Word Is Out*
- 10 Regina Carter *I'll Be Seeing You (A Sentimental Journey)*
- 11 David "Fathead" Newman *Cityscape*
- 12 Larry Goldings *Quartet*
- 13 Anthony Wonsey *The Thang*
- 14 Bob Mintzer Big Band *Old School: New Lessons*
- 15 Taylor Eigsti *Lucky To Be Me*
- 16 Mark Elf *Liftoff*
- 17 Tom Scott *Bebop United*
- 18 Chick Corea *The Ultimate Adventure*
- 19 Brian Bromberg *Wood II*
- 20 Tony Monaco *East To West*
- 21 Cedar Walton *One Flight Down*
- 22 Eddie Daniels *Mean What You Say*
- 23 Eldar *Live At The Blue Note*
- 24 Jon Faddis *Teranga*
- 25 Eric Reed *Here*
- 26 Miles Davis *The Legendary Prestige Quintet Sessions*
- 27 Vincent Herring *Ends And Means*
- 28 Larry Willis Trio *The Big Push*
- 29 Jae Sinnett *The Sinnett Hearings*
- 30 Dianne Reeves *Good Night and Good Luck*
- 31 Jimmy Cobb *Marsalis Music Honors Jimmy Cobb*
- 32 Various Artists *Hear and Now*
- 33 Hank Jones & Frank Wess *Hank & Frank*
- 34 Houston Person *All Soul*
- 35 Pat Metheny and Brad Mehldau *Metheny Mehldau*
- 36 Joe Locke & The Milt Jackson Tribute Band *Rev-elation*
- 37 The Dizzy Gillespie All-Star Big Band *Dizzy's Business*
- 38 Terry Gibbs *Findin' The Groove*
- 39 Scott Hamilton *Nocturnes and Serenades*
- 40 Frank Morgan *Reflections*
- 41 Various Artists *Our New Orleans 2005*
- 42 Scott Whitfield Jazz Orchestra East *Diamonds For Nat*
- 43 Larry Vuckovich Trio *Street Scene*
- 44 Ray Mantilla *Good Vibrations*
- 45 Louis Hayes & The Cannonball Legacy Band *Maximum Firepower*
- 46 Avishai Cohen *Continuo*
- 47 Brad Mehldau Trio *House On Hill*
- 48 Monty Alexander *Concrete Jungle: The Music Of Bob Marley*
- 49 Ben Allison *Cowboy Justice*
- 50 Houston Person & Bill Charlap *You Taught My Heart To Sing*
- 51 Nancy Wilson *Turned To Blue*
- 52 Anton Schwartz *Radiant Blue*
- 53 Mark Colby *Speaking of Stan*
- 53 Ray Charles & The Count Basie Orchestra *Ray Sings, Basie Swings*
- 55 Ray Barretto *Standards Rican-ditioned*
- 56 Roberta Gambarini *Easy To Love*
- 57 Christian Jacob Trio *Contradictions*
- 58 Ernie Andrews *How About Me*
- 59 Various Artists *Legends Of Jazz With Ramsey Lewis Showcase*
- 60 Geri Allen *Timeless Portraits and Dreams*
- 61 Marc Cary *Focus*
- 62 Ted Nash & Still Evolved *In The Loop*
- 63 Stefon Harris *African Tarantella*
- 64 Gordon Goodwin's Big Phat Band *The Phat Pack*
- 65 Steve Khan *The Green Field*
- 66 Phil Woods *Unheard Herd*
- 67 Michael Carvin *Marsalis Music Honors Michael Carvin*
- 68 The Chris Walden Big Band *No Bounds*
- 69 Various Artists *Higher Ground: Hurricane Relief Benefit*
- 70 Grant Geissman *Say That!*
- 71 Freddy Cole *Because Of You*
- 72 Madeleine Peyroux *Half The Perfect World*
- 73 Roy Haynes & The Fountain of Youth Band *Whereas*
- 74 Various Artists *Progressions: 100 Years Of Jazz Guitar*
- 75 The Brian Lynch/Eddie Palmieri Project *Simpatico*
- 76 Winard Harper *Make It Happen*
- 77 Christian Scott *Rewind That*
- 78 Bob Sneider & Joe Locke Film Noir Project *Fallen Angel*
- 79 Buck Hill *Relax*
- 79 One For All *The Lineup*
- 81 Carmen Lundy *Jazz & The New Songbook: Live at the Madrid*
- 82 Paul Bollenback *Brightness of Being*
- 83 Joe Locke & Geoffrey Keezer Group *Live In Seattle*
- 84 Joe Lovano *Streams of Expression*
- 85 Caribbean Jazz Project *Mosaic*
- 86 Delfeayo Marsalis *Minions Dominion*
- 87 Sean Jones *Roots*
- 88 Maria Schneider Orchestra *Days of Wine and Roses*
- 89 Rodney Jones *Dreams and Stories*
- 90 Hiromi *Spiral*
- 91 Manu Katche' *Neighbourhood*
- 92 Charley Harrison *Keeping My Composure*
- 93 Kenny Garrett *Beyond The Wall*
- 94 Ray Marchica *In The Ring*
- 95 Andre Ceccarelli *Avenue des Diables Blues*
- 96 SFJAZZ Collective *SFJAZZ Collective 2*
- 97 Chuck Redd *Chuck Redd Remembers Barney Kessel: Happy All Time*
- 98 Mike LeDonne *Night Song*
- 99 Clayton Brothers *Back In The Swing Of Things*
- 100 Robert Glasper *Canvas*

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Join The Coastal Jazz Association

A Membership To The Coastal Jazz Association Helps Support Jazz Education and Performance.

Why Coastal Jazz?

Purchasing a membership to The Coastal Jazz Association is a perfect way to ensure that jazz survives in Savannah. For over 25 years, CJA has had the simple but important mission to promote “America’s Original Art Form” by promoting jazz musicians, jazz students and jazz audiences.

As a non-profit organization, CJA sponsors a monthly Jazz Series, the Savannah Jazz Festival and promotes the art form throughout the Coastal Empire in schools through community educational presentations.

CJA has helped many young musicians improve their skills by giving out scholarships to help defray the costs of music education. Noteworthy is Savannah’s monthly jazz magazine that keeps members in-the-know on who’s playing where and what is happening in the world of jazz. Subscription is free with your paid membership.

Ultimately, CJA is a fellowship of jazz lovers: the musicians and their partners in the art form—their audiences.

Members of Coastal Jazz will have the opportunity to:

- Receive *FREE* admission to CJA sponsored events
- Receive their very own copy of the *Noteworthy*
- Support America’s original art form - *JAZZ!*
- Support local jazz musicians, and help sustain jazz in Savannah
- Support students of jazz
- Deduct your donation on your taxes (CJA is a 501(c)3 Non-Profit Organization)

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 Newsletter Monthly Jazz Events

E-mail address: _____

Comments: _____

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 Single \$30
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 Corporate \$100
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January 28th Concert @ Cobblestone Conch

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The Coastal Jazz Association Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 25th

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