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The Coastal Jazz Association

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A Nationally Recognized Non-Profit Organization Dedicated To Preserving America's Original Music – JAZZ

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*The Coastal Jazz Association Invites you to a
A Thirty-Six Year Old Savannah Jazz Tradition*

Christmas Evening Concert -Just Across the River-

Jazz Yule Love

**The 36th Annual Holiday Jazz
Concert**
~Christmas Evening~ *Westin
Savannah Harbor*

the annual CJA fundraiser and will benefit the student scholarship education fund. Tickets Cost \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door.

Because of the intimate setting only a limited number of tickets will be sold !!!

Who says Santa's not a real Bopper? Jazz-up your spirit this holiday season in Savannah by attending *The 36th Annual CJA Holiday Concert and Jam Session*. Mark your calendar for Sunday, December 25 at 5:00 p.m. and head down to *Westin Savannah Harbor on Hutchinson Island - Just Across the River - for some great jazz.*

Trombonist, Teddy Adams will host a who's who of regional jazz *All-Stars*. "Yule" hear some of the best musicians in the Coastal Empire. This is



Tickets on Sale now:
Portman's Music
Superstore, Rody's Music, the
Westin Savannah Resort *or any
CJA Board Member.*

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**Where: Westin -Savannah
Harbor Resort on Hutchinson
Island
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at the door**

www.coastal-jazz.org

Noteworthy

Special Deals Yule Love at the Westin

Christmas Day Sunday Brunch

Sunday, December 25, 2011

11 am - 2:30 pm

An extra special holiday brunch prepared by Executive Chef Roger Michel and his extraordinary culinary staff. Spectacular views of Savannah, delicious food and beautiful music.

The Westin's signature restaurant, Aqua Star, has been hailed by critics as having the "Best View of Savannah" and the "Best Brunch in Savannah." Aqua Star is located on the second floor of the Westin Savannah Harbor Golf Resort & Spa, overlooking the Savannah River. Reserve your spot early, as this holiday celebration will sell out. *\$54.95 per person (after 12:30pm enjoy sparkling wine included in your buffet purchase); \$18.95 for children 5-12*

Christmas Day Dinner Special

5:30 pm - 10 pm

Enjoy a relaxing holiday and let us prepare your feast this year. Traditional Christmas dinner with a contemporary twist, created by Executive Chef Roger Michel.

\$45.00 per person, \$16.95 for children's menu, ages 5-12; Please call 912.201.2085 for reservations, or book online at www.westinsavannah.com/aquasta

Special Room Rates for CJA Members Attending Holiday Concert

If you are attending the Annual Christmas night CJA Jam Session and want to kick back and just stay at the Westin -Savannah Harbor Resort on Hutchinson Island for the rest of the evening, HAVE WE GOT A DEAL FOR YOU: **\$89.00**

Call (912) 201-2000 for more information.

Editor's Jazz Baker's Dozen!

1. Bob James / Keiko Matsui — Altair & Vega (Tappan Zee)
2. Brad Mehldau — Highway Rider
3. Christian McBride Big Band — The Good Feeling (Mack Avenue)
4. Cory Weeds — Just Like That — (CellarLive)
5. Ernesto Cervini Quartet — There (Anzic)
6. Keith Jarrett — RIO (ECM)
7. Mike Longo — To My Surprise (CAP)
8. Monty Alexander — Harlem-Kingston Express Live (Motéma)
9. Poncho Sanchez & Terence Blanchard — Chano y Dizzy (Concord Jazz)
10. Roy Haynes — Roy-Alty (Dreyfus)
11. Sunnie Paxson — Bohemian Sun (Bungalo)
12. Tony Bennett — Duets II (RPM / Columbia)
13. Wynton Marsalis & Eric Clapton — Play The Blues (Reprise)

Teddy Adams

• trombonist

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14th Annual Musical Salute To MLK

Featuring

**The Savannah Jazz Orchestra &
Savannah Arts Academy Skyelite Band**
Tuesday, January 10th

*@ the Jewish Educational Alliance
Open to the Public Admission is Free*

The Jewish Educational Alliance will be host to the Fourteenth Annual, "A Musical Salute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr." on Tuesday, January 10th at 7:00 P.M. at the Jewish Educational Alliance (5111 Abercorn St).

This year's event is being co-presented by the Jewish Educational Alliance, the Savannah Jewish Federation Community Relations Council, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Observance Day Association, the Coastal Jazz Association, through a grant from the City of Savannah's Department of Cultural Affairs. Portman's Music Superstore, Hands On Savannah and MStar 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 Terry Staten, is part of the official

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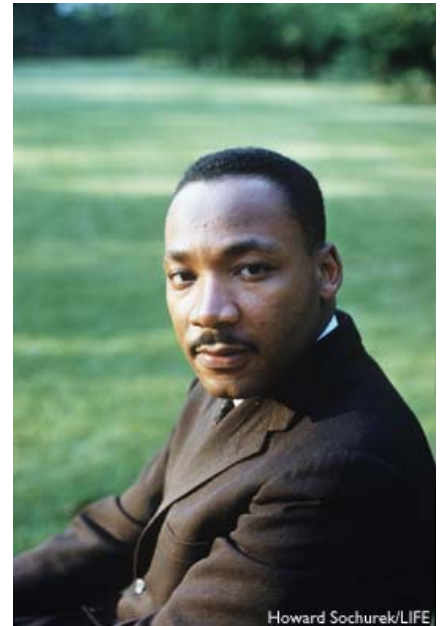


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Martin Luther King, Jr. Observance Celebration which pays tribute to the birth and life of one of America's great men of freedom, justice and equality. The Savannah Jazz Orchestra is comprised of the areas best musicians and has backed some of the 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 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 concert is *free and open to the community* thanks to the support of the Savannah Jewish Federation and a generous grant from the City of Savannah.

So come hear some wonderful music as the JEA plays host to a concert honoring one of the great men of the twentieth century.

This will be an event for the whole community to share. More info at www.coastal-jazz.org

Please see details about a special free concert on Sunday, January 22, 2012 featuring *Ben Tucker* and *Teddy Adams*. Details are on Page 8. Come enjoy great jazz while helping the Coastal Jazz Association keep Jazz Alive !!

Be a Coastal Jazz Association Partner

Become a member of the Coastal Jazz Association of Savannah and begin to enjoy the benefits of belonging to a successful organization dedicated to the preservation, scholarship, and promotion of jazz in the Coastal Empire.

The Coastal Jazz Association of Savannah is a non-profit (501)(c)(3) organization and is open to everyone. Members will become a part of our constantly updated database of information and will be able to take advantage of many events, offers, promotions and activities that are organized, promoted and supported on a regular basis by CJA-S

JOIN NOW! JOIN NOW!

As a member of CJA-S, you will receive the *Noteworthy* newsletter, which is mailed 12 times a year, free admission into our monthly concert series, email reminders of upcoming events. You will also be supporting the week-long Savannah Jazz Festival which is offered every September free of charge.

CJA also administers the Jazz Scholarship Fund which awards tuition assistance to college students for their continued education in jazz studies.

In addition to all the many benefits that a Coastal Jazz Association of Savannah membership provides, you will know that you are contributing to the support of jazz in your community.

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- FUNDRAISING
- SECURING FESTIVAL VENDORS
- SECURING FESTIVAL SPONSORS

CJA Newsletter is online @ www.coastal-jazz.org

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

SINGLE	\$50
COUPLE	\$75
CORPORATE	\$100
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DONATION	\$ _____

THANK YOU! FOR SUPPORTING JAZZ IN SAVANNAH

MAIL APPLICATION AND CHECK TO:

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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
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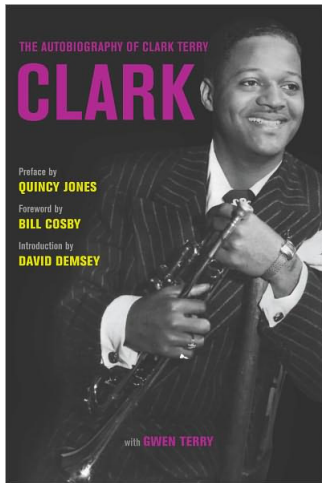
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The Word on Jazz . . .

Clark: The Autobiography of Clark Terry

by Clark Terry with Gwen Terry; Bill Cosby (Foreword) and Quincy Jones (Preface)



Clark Terry's illustrious career as an innovative trumpeter and flugelhornist, horn designer, leading jazz educator, and composer--has covered an epic span of jazz history. Most recently, Mr. Terry was awarded the 2010 Grammy Lifetime

Achievement Award and an NEA Jazz Master, in addition to the many other accolades and awards he has received.

Compelling from cover to cover, this is the story of one of the most recorded and beloved jazz trumpeters of all time. With unsparing honesty and a superb eye for detail, Clark Terry, born in 1920, takes us from his impoverished childhood in St. Louis, Missouri, where jazz could be heard everywhere, to the smoke-filled small clubs and carnivals across the Jim Crow South where he got his start, and on to worldwide acclaim. Terry takes us behind the scenes of jazz history as he introduces scores of legendary greats--Ella Fitzgerald, Oscar Peterson, Dizzy Gillespie, Dinah Washington, Doc Severinsen, Ray Charles, Thelonious Monk, Billie Holiday, Sarah Vaughan, Coleman Hawkins, Zoot Sims, and Dianne Reeves, among many others.

Terry also reveals much about his own personal life: his experiences with racism, how he helped break the color barrier in 1960 when

he joined the *Tonight Show* band on NBC, and why - at ninety years old - his students from around the world still call and visit him for lessons. Hardcover: 344 pages; University of California Press; \$34.95



On The Record . . .

Christian McBride The Good Feeling

Bassist Christian McBride was already turning heads as a teenaged sideman with Benny Green during the early '90s, showcasing formidable technique and imagination in his solos. Over the two decades since then, McBride has demonstrated his skills as a bandleader, composer, and arranger as well.

After 15 years of studying big-band charts, experimenting, and writing, McBride developed sufficient material for a CD, recruiting some of New York's best and busiest players, including saxophonists Steve Wilson, Ron Blake, and Loren Schoenberg, trumpeters Nicholas Payton and Frank Greene, and trombonists

Steve Davis, Michael Dease, and Douglas Purviance, plus pianist Xavier Davis and drummer Ulysses Owens (among others).



Six of the 11 pieces are originals, highlighted by the funky, playful "Bluesin' in Alphabet City," the ambitious, multifaceted "Science Fiction," and the upbeat, boisterous post-bop cooker "The Shade of the Cedar Tree." Vocalist Melissa Walker shines on several tracks, including a warm setting of "When I Fall in Love" that opens with the leader's arco solo and a pulsating rendition of Bobby Scott's

"A Taste of Honey" that is scored with rich ensemble work behind the singer.

The solos by McBride, Blake, Wilson, and Dease especially stand out, though everyone who takes a turn delivers a top-drawer effort. With this fine effort, it's safe to say that Christian McBride's talents as a writer have grown to match his considerable chops as a bassist. (Mack Avenue) ~*Review by Ken Dryden*

Track Listing: Shake 'n Blake; Broadway; Brother Mister; When I Fall In Love; Science Fiction; The Shade Of The Cedar Tree; The More I See You; I Should Care; A Taste Of Honey; Bluesin' In Alphabet City; In A Hurry.

Personnel: Christian McBride: Bass; Steve Wilson: alto sax, flute; Todd Bashore: alto sax, flute; Ron Blake: tenor sax, soprano sax, flute; Todd Williams: tenor sax, flute; Loren Schoenberg: tenor sax (2, 8); Carl Maraghi: baritone sax, bass clarinet; Frank Greene: Trumpet; Freddie Hendrix: trumpet; Nicholas Payton: trumpet; Nabate Isles: trumpet; Steve Davis: trombone; Michael Dease: trombone; James Burton: trombone; Douglas Purviance: bass trombone; Xavier Davis: piano; Ulysses Owens, Jr.: drums; Melissa Walker: vocals (4, 7, 9).

Christian McBride Conversations with Christian

On his eight CDs that precede *Conversations With Christian* (pre-order by clicking the link), bassist Christian McBride has framed himself in ensemble contexts, most recently on the widely lauded 2009 Mack Avenue release *Kind of Brown*, which showcases the Inside Straight quintet (his return to the acoustic jazz format as a leader) and *The Good Feeling*, released in September, comprising a suite of well-wrought charts for an A-list 17-piece big band.

Although McBride's leader and sideman c.v. includes no small number of pungent duos with various game-changers-to name two, McCoy Tyner and Jim Hall - he has heretofore refrained from devoting an entire recording to the genre. That discographical gap is now

rectified with *Conversations with Christian*, on which the 39-year-old maestro places himself in the forefront of the flow on a duet apiece with "13 of my closest musical friends and cohorts" - singers Angélique Kidjo, Sting and Dee Dee Bridgewater; pianists George Duke, Eddie Palmieri and Chick Corea, as well as Dr. Billy Taylor and Hank Jones (who both passed away in 2010); violinist Regina Carter; trumpeter Roy Hargrove; guitarist Russell Malone; tenor saxophonist Ron Blake; and actress Gina Gershon.

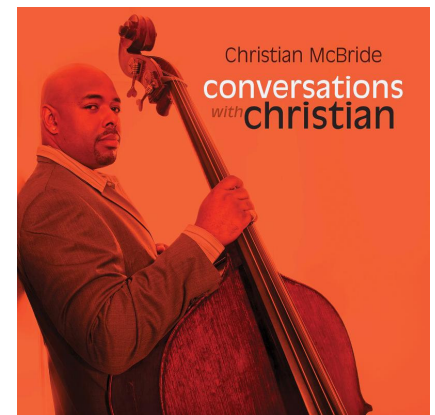
In the process, McBride unleashes the full measure of his already legendary skills, crafting as complete a portrait of his diverse interests-different vibrations of the blues and African-American church experience, bebop, the American Songbook, the Latin Tinge, the Freedom Principle, even comedy-as he has ever presented.

The operative principle throughout is McBride's

dictum, "Most of what I enjoy doing is based in, around, and upon the groove; I want to hold down the fort-but have the ability to visit the roof if I want." *Conversations With Christian* will assume its place as a masterpiece of the duo idiom. (Mack Avenue)

Track Listing: Afirika; Fat Bach and Greens; Consider Me Gone; Guajeo y Tumbao; Baubles, Bangles and Beads; Spiritual; It's Your Thing; Alone Together; McDukey Blues; Tango Improvisation #1; Sister Rosa; Shake and Blake; Chitlins and Giftfish;

Personel: Hank Jones, Angélique Kidjo, Roy Hargrove, George Duke, Chick Corea, Wynton Marsalis, Russell Malone, Eddie Palmieri, Sting and others.



Valentines Weekend Concert Just Across the River

"A Gypsy Rose for Django" The
Bohemian Dream Band with Julie Wilde
Sunday, February 12th At the Westin -Savannah

Kissy! Kiss! Kiss! It's time again for saying those three little words... "I love you!" But now, say it with food, wine and JAZZ.

The Bohemian Dream Band, led by violinist Ricardo Ochoa and guitarist Sasha Strunjas, this group has a distinct flavor of both Gypsy and European Jazz. The performance will be a tribute to "Mamouche Jazz", the style of music developed by guitarist Django Reinhardt and violinist Stephan Grapelli. Fast strumming and exciting melodies will be combined with the seductive voice of vocalist Julie Wilde to captivate and transport audiences to an era of flirtatious jazz.

Ms. Wilde is a singer-songwriter, performer, and music educator. A classically-trained musician, she graduated Magna Cum Laude from Georgia Southern University with a Bachelor of Music degree with emphasis in Piano, Voice and Music Education and a Master of Science for Teachers degree in Music.

Over the past 5 years, Ms. Wilde has written, produced and recorded three CDs of original music. (Cost \$10 - Free for CJA members)

Passing Notes

Andre Hodeir, author/composer, 90
Beryl Davis, vocals, 87
Gordon Beck, piano, 73
Jack McCray, journalist/jazz
advocate, 64
Walter Norris, piano, 79

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SPECIAL CONCERT !

Homage to the Telfair Jazz Society

January 22nd at the Westin-Savannah

Ben Tucker, Teddy Adams, Kevin Bales,
Quentin Baxter, and vocalist Claire Frazier

Ben Tucker & Bob Alberti Play Jazz
Westin Aqua Star Room Hutchinson Island
Sunday Brunch /11 am - (912.201.2000)

The Jazz Corner

Hilton Head, SC (843.842.8620)
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Claire Frazier And Frank Bright
'Vic's On The River' Restaurant
Every *Other* Thursday/Friday/Saturday
7-11^{pm}

SUPPORT LIVE JAZZ

JAZZ RENT PARTY TO BE HELD JANUARY 22 AT THE SAVANNAH WESTIN RESORT

On Sunday, the 22nd of January at 5:00 p.m. the Coastal Jazz Association will pay homage to the “Telfair Jazz Society, which was the beginning of a re-energized jazz scene in Savannah and ultimately led to what is now the Coastal Jazz Association. The concert will be held at the Savannah Westin Resort – Just Across the River.

In 1978 after trombonist Teddy Adams returned to the U.S. after serving in the US Air Force in Japan and teamed up with bassist, and jazz legend Ben Tucker to begin the process of revitalizing the Savannah jazz scene which had been dormant for almost 20 years. They formed a mainstream jazz group which was dubbed the *Telfair Jazz Society*. The popular musical group performed regularly on Sunday afternoons at the Telfair Museum in Savannah. Now, after more than 35 years the

jazz scene in Savannah remains vibrant.

The 2012 recreation of the *Telfair Jazz Society* will feature the region’s top artists, including Mr. Adams and Mr. Tucker, Quentin Baxter, Kevin Bales as well as vocalist Claire Frazier.

The concert is FREE and open to the public. It is recommended that attendees offer a donation for attending the event. Money collected will go toward the Savannah Jazz Festival and producing the monthly concert series – Just Across the River.

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helping the Coastal Jazz
Association keep Jazz Alive !!**

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