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> **The Sunshine Jazz Concert Series Presents** *ALICE DAY & Friends!* Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018

February 2018 MIAMI, FL –

In a month that celebrates Black History Month, National Freedom, Rosa Parks, Love and Carnival, there really is no artist better to feature than beloved Jazz vocalist, Ms. Alice Day! "The First Lady" will perform with her magnificent "Friends" - Miguel de la Cerna, Sam Chiodo and James Cotman.



Ms. Alice Day, affectionately known as "The First Lady", is in demand at top jazz venues around the world and regularly tours in Europe and South East Asia. Born into the extraordinary musical tradition of gospel, Alice has committed her life to music. Drawing inspiration from greats such as Dinah Washington, Billie Holiday and Mahalia Jackson, Alice has created her own distinctive style and is acknowledged as one of the finest jazz vocalists performing today. Jazz Entrepreneur, Frank Spena once said of her, "Alice Day is a Renaissance Woman. She has the ability to mesmerize and captivate an audience with her stage presence. Whether singing a ballad, or a raucous, belting blues, there ain't nobody that does it better."

Her outstanding contributions to music have been honored with numerous awards and, in addition, Alice Day is the founder of the South Florida Jazz Hall of Fame, in its 10th year. Making a long awaited, South Florida return appearance is distinguished pianist, Miguel de la Cerna, a first-call musical director and arranger, a prolific performer, and an influential educator. Miguel de la Cerna is recognized as one of the most versatile pianists working today. A Chicago native, de la Cerna is the third generation in a distinguished lineage of Chicago



piano jazz greats. Known especially for his sensitive work with singers, de la Cerna tours frequently and has recorded extensively in his role as music director and arranger for vocalists. This exceptional trio is completed with two more of our favorites: the bottom line (Bass) Sam Chiodo, and the sensitive James Cotmon (Drums).

Sunday, February 25, 2018 from 6:00pm-9:00pm at Miami Shores Country Club, 10000 Biscayne Blvd., Miami Shores, FL 33138. General Admission is \$20/SJO Members \$15. **Become an SJO member or renew at the door and admission is FREE!** MSCC features a music lounge with table/bar service and free parking. Reserve your seats at SunJazzOrg@aol.com, (954)554-1800; (305)693-2594. Many thanks to our SJO members and sponsors.

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