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The Sunshine Jazz Concert Series Presents

***EDDY BALZOLA & ORIENTE!***

*Latin Jazz-Blues-Rhythm & Soul*

Sunday, May 27th, 2018

### **April 2018**

**MIAMI, FL** – SJO's monthly concert series is pleased to welcome back popular Latin Jazz band *ORIENTE!* Led by bandleader, guitarist and songwriter Eddy Balzola, the band's syncopated rhythms are spicy while being drenched with melody and harmony. Oriente plays the Jazz you love, and a bit of blues too, all in their signature tropical and soulful style.



ORIENTE debuted in 1993 at Snug Harbor Jazz Club in New Orleans' French Quarter. The Snug / Nola audiences connected deeply with the band's original Cuban Jazz and Blues style, and they were invited back to the famed club and city many times over the years. That was mostly before Hurricane Katrina dealt that tragic blow to the historic birthplace of so much music.

Balzola's group has changed some personnel over 25 years but the current lineup is seasoned and solid, including Yoel Del Sol with 18 years on percussion and backup vocals. Veteran Memphis trumpeter Stuart King along with Dony Felix on bass, and Rey Monroig on drums have been on board well over 6 years, allowing wonderful arrangements to develop. ORIENTE continues to maintain a steady schedule of festivals, clubs and concerts. They've played from Key West and the Southwest to the Caribbean and Europe. Some highlights include appearing at the St. Lucia Jazz Festival, New Orleans and JVC Jazz Fest. The band was featured on PBS International Travel show "Music Voyager" which is still seen worldwide, and on the Food Network "Live with Chef Bobby Flay". ORIENTE has produced five recordings to date including the latest, titled "*Soul En Clave*".

Join us for Jazz, Rhythm & Soul! Sunday, May 27th from 6:00pm-9:00pm at Miami Shores Country Club, 10000 Biscayne Blvd., Miami Shores, FL 33138. Admission is \$20 | SJO Members \$15. **Become an SJO member at the door and admission is FREE!** MSCC features a retro Music Lounge, cash bar, full menu and free parking. Reserve your seats now at [SunJazzOrg@aol.com](mailto:SunJazzOrg@aol.com), (954)554-1800.

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