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The Sunshine Jazz Concert Series Presents

***EDDY BALZOLA & ORIENTE!***

*Latin Jazz-Blues-Rhythm & Soul*

Sunday, May 26th, 2019

### **May 2019**

**MIAMI, FL** – SJO's monthly concert series at Miami Shores Country Club welcomes back popular Latin Jazz band *ORIENTE!* Led by Cuban band leader, guitarist and songwriter Eddy Balzola, *ORIENTE!*'s syncopated rhythms are spicy and colorful while enhancing *ORIENTE!*'s creative signature style ~ tropical yet bluesy and soulful, drenched with melody and harmony.



*ORIENTE!* debuted in 1993 in New Orleans' French Quarter at the famed Snug Harbor Jazz Bistro. Those audiences connected deeply with the band's original Afro-Cuban roots, Jazz and Blues style, and they were invited back to the club and city many times over the years. Although the group has gone through slight stylistic changes over the years as members and instrumentation evolve, Balzola's multi-cultural roots are always prevalent.

*ORIENTE!* has played from Key West and the Southwest U.S. to the Caribbean and Europe. Some highlights include appearing at the St. Lucia Jazz Festival, New Orleans and JVC Jazz Fest., and D.O.D. tours. The band has also been featured on the PBS International Travel show "Music Voyager" which is seen worldwide, and on the Food Network "Live with Chef Bobby Flay".

They've been recording their 6th record planned for release this summer, but Balzola says some of the new music may be ready to showcase on the 26th. The concert will include recording and band mates Yoel Del Sol (percussion), Dony Felix (bass), Rey Monroig (drums), plus special guest Jesse Jones, Jr. on sax and flute. There will also be appearances by Yamin Mustafa on trumpet, and newcomer Livan M. sharing vocals, creating opportunities for lots of musical surprises!

Join us for a great evening of jazz, rhythm & soul! Sunday, May 26th, 6pm-9pm at Miami Shores Country Club, 10000 Biscayne Blvd., Miami Shores, FL 33138. Gen Adm \$25 | SJO Members \$20. **Become an SJO member at the door and admission is FREE!** MSCC features a retro Music Lounge, cash bar, full menu and free parking. Reservations: [SunJazzOrg@aol.com](mailto:SunJazzOrg@aol.com), (954)554-1800.

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