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The Sunshine Jazz Organization was formed in the autumn of 1986 to help support America's indigenous music... JAZZ! Founded by Jazz Radio Icon China Valles, along with devoted Jazz enthusiasts, educators and musicians, SJO's mission is to foster and enhance interest in and appreciation of our beloved music. SJO strives to promote accessibility for all ages and to inspire and encourage the development of South Florida's wealth of Jazz talent.

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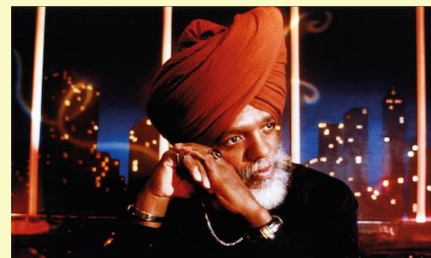
Sunshine Jazz Organization Commemorates



Music In The Park Returns!



South Florida Jazz Organizations Unite!



Farewell Dear Friend Dr. Lonnie Smith 7/3/42~9/28/21



Zen and the Art of Juneteenth
 Pre-recorded for screening on **June 14 at 7PM**, presented by The Betsy Hotel, FIU Miami Beach Urban Studios, and the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce. This event will feature five very

distinguished panelists. **June 19 Live Music Tributes**, 6 PM-11 PM. Visit www.thebetsyhotel.com/calendar

Juneteenth A combination of "June" and "nineteenth" - recognizes the date that formerly enslaved African Americans were informed that they were finally free.



Though African Americans have long celebrated Juneteenth, the National Museum of African American History and Culture

notes "this monumental event remains largely unknown to most Americans." Juneteenth celebrations remind us that freedom and racial equality have always been and continue to be a hard-fought battle for African Americans.



SJO's dear friend Dr. Lonnie Smith, one of the greatest musicians to ever touch the Hammond B-3 organ, died Sept. 28 at home in Ft. Lauderdale, FL at 79 years old. His manager Holly Case reported the cause was pulmonary fibrosis. Dr. Lonnie first made his name on Blue Note Records label in the late 1960s. Born in Buffalo, NY on July 3, 1942, his mother sparked a love of gospel, blues & jazz in her son and he was introduced to the Hammond organ as a teen. Dr. Lonnie joined Lou Donaldson's band and made his first Blue Note appearance on the saxophonist's hit 1967 album Alligator Boogaloo. Two more Donaldson records followed before Smith was offered his own Blue Note deal. The rest is Jazz, magic and soul history.

Doc and The Mahj were lifelong friends, and SJO has been more than blessed to have this precious artist in our family, playing numerous concerts, anniversaries, as well as accepting his Induction into Alice Day's South Florida Jazz Hall of Fame in 2015. We will never forget and will be forever inspired by dear Dr. Lonnie Smith.



SJO Presents
 John Yarling Aug 4 & Sep 6 at the Lagniappe w/ Mark Small, Marty Quinn; Sep 8 Fish House w/ Tal Cohen and Marty Quinn





The Sunshine Jazz MODERN JAZZ Series

Presented @ The Bass Museum of Art

2100 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, FL 33139

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FEATURED ARTISTS IN SEPTEMBER 2021

- 12th "Michael Eckroth"
- 19th "Fernando Ulibarri"
- 25th "John Yarling"

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CULTURAL AFFAIRS THE BASS @theBassMoA

The Lindemann Courtyard
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM



Jazz Organizations United! In July 2020 Miami Jazz Cooperative director, Rick Katz, introduced the idea of a collaboration of the four main Jazz organizations in SE Florida to jointly fund the weekly online program "Jazz & Conversation". Sunshine Jazz Organization, Gold Coast Jazz Society and South Florida Jazz agreed to test the premise. The consensus was an all around thumbs up and, thanks to the talented program hosts - Jazz vocalist/educator Wendy Pedersen and master bassist Nicky Orta, the season was a great adventure. The weekly lineup was very diverse, from legends to brilliant students, to pre-recorded and live streamed concerts at "The Jazz Port". So many comic and treasured moments, fascinating stories, sweet memories, life long Jazz knowledge and more filled these 14 months with a lot to be thankful for, especially for the successful Jazz Unity. View archives at [Youtube/Miami Jazz Coop](#).

GOLD COAST JAZZ SOCIETY **Sunshine Jazz ORGANIZATION**

8 PM • Monday • August 17
MARTIN BEJERANO
Pianist • Roy Haynes Quartet
Professor, Jazz Piano • UM Frost School of Music

Jazz Conversation
HOSTED BY
Wendy Pedersen and Nicky Orta

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34 Seasons of SJO Jazz 1986 Inaugural SJO Event "Round Midnight" Premier. 2nd SJO Season features **Diane Schuur**; Coconut Grove Fest – SJO provides 75 volunteers; IAJE Conference – SJO provides 115 volunteers; AFJS Convention presents **Freddy Cole**; Jazz Cruise supports Hurricane Andrew victims; Co-sponsor **Living Legends of Jazz** with BCC College; Co-sponsor Hialeah Race Track Jazz; **Jazz on Wheels** Summer Series – Miami-Dade Parks; Students' Library Jazz Series & Jazz Workshops; "Jazz at the Ponce" Series, Coral Gables Park. Membership promo events: Hollywood Jazz Fest, Riverwalk Blues Fest, A Taste of Jazz Miami Springs; Cornucopia at Vizcaya; Jazz Daze on Las Olas, Ft Laud; A-Train to New Orleans via Amtrak; SJO 5th Season; SJO Monthly Jazz Jams, Miami-Dade, Broward Counties **Co-sponsor Jazz at Coral Gables Congregational Church Fundraisers** for Musicians in Crisis – Steve Bagby; Mike Gerber; Pete Minger. **SJO's 10th Anniversary w/ Special guests Stanley Turrentine and Arturo Sandoval**; Jazz Jams for Youth, Miami Dade Public Schools; Jazz summer Workshop Series, Caleb Auditorium; **SJO elected by Dept of Cultural Affairs Council as Service Organization for all Jazz Artists**; Co-Sponsor Museum of Contemporary Art Jazz Concerts. Co-Sponsor Black Music Month & National Jazz Month Events with DAC & Miami-Dade Parks; Magic City Monday Jazz Workshops for Kids at Caleb Center; Real Men Cook – **Caleb Center & Florida Memorial College Juneteenth Celebration, Overtown**, Visiting Artists Reception Hosts - **Ruby Dee & Ossie Davis, Carmen Lundy, Houston Person, Melba Moore, Dr. Bobby Jones**. Dade County Park Celebration at Metro Zoo | Jazz at Shores Performing Arts Theater Series; **National Jazz Month w/ Melton Mustafa & Marcus Belgrave**; **SJO 15th Season w/ Houston Person**. Jazz Sundown Bank of America Lobby Lounge; Summer Jazz in the Park Series – Miami-Dade Summer Arts Showcase Caleb Center; Children's Jazz Fest | Jazz Jams for Young Performers; **SJO's 20th Season; Jazz Diva Night w/ FIU School of Music Big Band**; Magic City Jazz Series, Caleb Lobby Lounge; **Full Moon Jazz SJO Allstars - Hollywood Beach**; Jazz Nite Out, Van Dyke Café, Miami Beach; **Co-Sponsor So. Fla Jazz Hall of Fame 2009-20; SJO 25th Season" Melton Mustafa Orchestra, Allan Harris, Alice Day, Brenda Alford, Yvonne Brown**; Music in the Park w/ Miami-Dade County Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan; **SJO Jazz Showcase @ Miami-Dade County Fair** co-sponsor Diaspora Arts Coalition; **Jazz co-sponsor Art Deco Weekend Miami Beach 2015-19; 27th Season: Sandy Patton & Billy Marcus Trio, 28th Season w Melton Mustafa & Jesse Jones, Jr. Honoring Nat & Cannonball Adderley; 29th Season: Dr. Lonnie Smith; 30th Season: Lou Donaldson & Dr. Lonnie Smith w/ John Hart, Ignacio Berroa, 31st Season: Richie Cole Alto Madness! 9th Annual South Fla Jazz Hall of Fame; 32nd Season: Mustafa Family Band.; SJO 33rd Season Leesa Richards & LeNard Rutledge w/Jesse Jones Jr. Ens.; 10h Annual S. Fla. Jazz Hall of Fame w/ Lou Donaldson, Bob Perry. 11th SFJHOF Inducts Tracy Fields. Live Stream Jazz Concerts.**



JAZZ RESOURCES

South Florida Jazz Events www.Southfloridajazzlist.com

Jazz Blues Florida www.facebook.com/JazzBluesFla/

All About Jazz www.jazznearyou.com

JAZZIZ Magazine www.jazziz.com

SOUTH FLORIDA'S JAZZ RADIO

WLRN 91.3FM Evenin' Jazz w/ Tracy Fields Mon-Fri 9:30pm-1am; Sat:

Jazz Works 8pm-12am; Sun. Night Train w/ Ted Grossman 8pm-12am.

www.WLRN.org **WDNA 88.9FM** Jazz 24/7 www.WDNA.org **COOL JAZZ**

FLA w/ Host Stu Grant 24/7 www.cooljazzflorida.com

MAY 8 2021 SATURDAY
CHAKA KHAN
Sings Jazz
LIVE

A BENEFIT CONCERT FOR
HISTORIC HAMPTON HOUSE
THE HISTORIC HAMPTON HOUSE
MUSEUM & CULTURAL CENTER

2 SHOWS
7 PM & 10 PM

STREAMING FREE ONLY ON:
GFN TV f LIVE

Jazz Encounters
ONLINE
Anthony Hervey Quintet

From the
WDNA Jazz Gallery
Archives

Pro April 9
8-10 PM EST
WDNA.org

WDNA PRESENTS
JAZZ ENCOUNTERS
ONLINE

Hosted by Nicole Yarling

Fantasy Theatre Factory
at the
SANDRELL RIVERS HEETER

Brenda Alford's
Birthday Concert

SONGS AND THE STORIES BEHIND THEM


October 16 • 8pm
Sandrell Rivers Theater
6103 NW 7th Avenue
Miami
305-284-8872
tickets.ftfshows.com

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https://tinyurl.com/SunshineJazzOrg_YoutubeChannel

SOUTH FLORIDA JAZZ SPOTS

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY *please contact the venue prior

- Jazz at Pinecrest Gardens www.pinecrestgardens.org
- Jazz Roots @ Adrienne Arsht PAC, Arshtcenter.org
- WDNA Jazz Encounters & Jazz Gallery, WDNA.org
- Historic Hampton House historichamptonhouse.org
- South Miami-Dade CAC www.smdcac.com
- The Fish House South Miami. www.Thefishhouse.com
- Lagniappe House 3425 NE 2nd Ave., Miami 33137.
- 4th Fridays JAZZ at MOCA 8pm. Mocanomi.org

BROWARD COUNTY

- Blue Jean Blues 3320 NE 33 St, Ft. L. www.bjblive.com
- Council Oak Seminole Hard Rock 1 Seminole Way, Hwd.
- All That Jazz 3491 N. Hiatus Rd., Sunrise, FL 33351
- Tavolinos 10181 Sample Rd. Tavolinorestaurant.com

PALM BEACH COUNTY

- Arts Garage Delray Beach www.artsgarage.org
- Heidi's Jazz Club Cocoa Beach www.Heidisjazzclub.com
- Jupiter Jazz Jam Sundays 4-8pm Double Roads Tavern

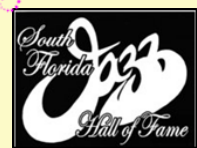
JAZZ ORGANIZATIONS

- South Florida Jazz Hall of Fame
<http://southfloridajazzhalloffame.blogspot.com/>
- Melton Mustafa Foundation www.meltonmustafa.com
- Miami Jazz Coop www.miamijazz.org/
- Fort Pierce Jazz & Blues www.jazzsociety.org
- Miami Jazz & Film Society Miamijazzsociety.com
- Women In Jazz South Florida www.wijsf.com
- SwingandJazzPreservationSociety.org
- South Florida Jazz www.southfloridajazz.org/
- Gold Coast Jazz Society www.goldcoastjazz.org
- Jupiter Jazz & Performing Arts Society (561)762-4111

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<https://www.aldowningjazz.com/>

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