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NEWS

Let the Music Begin! 4th Rochester International Jazz Festival Opens Friday June 10 9 Days, 500+ musicians, 100+ shows Sonny Rollins, Chris Botti, Dave Brubeck, Chick Corea, Chaka Khan & More!!

Rochester, New York--June 9, 2005-- Leading musicians from around the world will begin to arrive in Rochester Friday June 10 for the start of the nine-day Rochester International Jazz Festival.

One of the fastest growing and most multi-dimensional music festivals in the world, the Festival offers something for everyone - from new sounds to familiar favorites. Concerts are held in nine venues in Rochester's East End Cultural District, all within walking distance. Three outside performance areas will offer free music.

Friday June 10 Highlights

Sonny Rollins - Eastman Theatre 8 PM

The legendary tenor sax giant has played music with the majesty of a Greek God, and today remains one of the few surviving icons from a golden era of jazz that will probably never be equaled.

Bill Frisell Trio - Kilbourn Hall 6 & 10 PM (Club Pass or \$20 at door)

The recent Grammy winner is one of the most sought-after guitar voices in contemporary music. Featured on the July cover of *Downbeat Magazine*.

Yggdrasil - Big Tent 6 & 10 PM (Club Pass or \$15 at door)

From the Faroe Islands, Yggdrasil juggles jazz, Faroese dance tunes, children's rhymes and Christian hymns, Shakespearean sonnets, birdcall actuality, Greenlander kayak vehicles and Swedish drinking songs.

Paula West - Max of Eastman Place 6:15 & 10 PM (Club Pass or \$15 at door)

With a particular dusky soulfulness, singer West has captured the hearts of critics and audiences alike from coast to coast.

Hilton Ruiz Trio - Montage Grille 6 & 10 PM (Club Pass or \$15 at door)

One of the finest pianists in Afro-Cuban jazz, Hilton Ruiz is also an expert bop player.

Dennis Parker - Jazz Street Stage - free 6 PM (Club Pass or \$15 at door)

Born and raised in London, England, he has been playing and singing the blues for over thirty years.

autorickshaw - Jazz Street Stage - free 9:15 PM (Club Pass or \$15 at door)

This world music ensemble, whose integration of South Asian tradition with jazz and other popular music forms, represents an innovative and refreshing new standard.

Sex Mob - Milestones 6:30 & 10 PM (Club Pass or \$15 at door)

Fusing lovingly academic excursions with good time party music. The downtown scene's late night hang of choice, a favorite of fans, musicians, and critics alike.

Enjoy three series: Eastman Theatre, Club Pass Shows and Outdoor Stages

Coming Up: Eastman Theatre Headliner Shows: Individual tickets \$27.50 to \$65 plus service charge. All shows start at 8 PM.

June 10 - An Evening with Sonny Rollins

June 11 - Chaka Khan & Will Downing

June 13 - RIJF-Eastman School of Music Scholarship Concert

June 14 - Chick Corea & Touchstone + special guest Strunz & Farah

June 15 - Jazz Film Premiere, Miles Davis "Live at The Isle of Wight 1970"

June 16 - An Evening with The Dave Brubeck Quartet, 85th Birthday Tour

June 17 - Chris Botti & special guest Madeleine Peyroux

Club Pass Series: 100 plus shows. Shows start at various times from 6 to 10 PM. June 10-18. See as many club shows as you choose with the Club Pass. \$85 plus service as of June 10. Individual tickets available at the door, \$15/\$20 cash only, first-come, first-served.

3 Outdoor Stages: All concerts are free. Food and beverages available for purchase.

Jazz Street Stage - Gibbs St. and East Ave.

Starting at 5 PM - June 10, 11, 12, 17, 18

NEW! Chrysler Performance Area

East Main and Gibbs Sts. Shows at 7-8 PM & 9-10 PM

June 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17

NEW! East Avenue Stage - East Ave. and Chestnut St.

Starting at 6 PM - June 17 & 18

Full Artist Lineup

Sonny Rollins, Will Downing, Chaka Khan, Chick Corea, Strunz & Farah, Dave Brubeck, Chris Botti, Madeleine Peyroux, Bill Frisell Trio, Derek Trucks Band, John Scofield Band, Ravi Coltrane Quartet, Yggdrasil, The Bad Plus, Joe LaBarbera 5tet, Dewey Redman Quartet, Chiara Civello, Jon Cleary, Night of The Cookers, James Spaulding, Pete Laroca Sims, Harry Allen Quartet, Wallace Roney, Juana Molina, Alex Torres y Su

Orquestra, Denis Parker, Anders Bergcrantz, Bob Sneider Trio, Lynne Arriale Trio, Charles Ellison Quartet, Manuel Valera Quartet, Raul Midon, Sex Mob, Shuffle Demons, Al Copley, Steve Turre Quartet, Willem Breuker Kollektief, Gianluca Mosole, Don McCaslin Quartet, Ethnic Heritage Ensemble, Paradigm Shift w/Wycliff Gordon, David Eyges, Arthur Blythe, Abe Speller, Mamadou Diabate, Lumiere, Gap Mangione Trio, Matt Catingub, Greece Jazz Band, Circle Wide, Hilton Ruiz Trio, Jacob Anderskov Trio, Josh Irving Quartet, Karl-Martin Almqvist, Mad Science, Moutin Reunion, New School University Jazz Quartet, Orange Alert, Dov Hammer, Paul Smoker Notet, Paula West Quartet, Soul Stew, David Weiss Sextet, Steve Swell - Slammin the Infinite, Toby Koenigsberg Trio, Trio East, Prime Time Funk, Greater Rochester Jazz Orchestra, and Dave Mancini Quartet.

Tickets

Buy at the Jazz Shop, 121 East Avenue Rochester, NY, open 10 AM to midnight daily during festival; or at ticketmaster outlets, www.ticketmaster.com. Service charge only \$1 per Eastman Theatre show ticket at the Jazz Shop. Get \$2 off any Eastman ticket or Club Pass with your 2005 LPGA ticket. Available only at the Jazz Shop. Not valid on prior purchases or individual club shows.

Schedule, Artist Bios, Photos and MP3 Samples

Visit www.rochesterjazz.com for complete festival details.

Festival Hotline

Schedule recording: call 585-234-2002.

Venues

All within walking distance in East End Cultural District: Eastman Theatre, Club Pass Big Tent, Kilbourn Hall - Eastman School of Music, Little Theatre, Montage Grille, Milestones, Max of Eastman Place, State St. Bar & Grill-Crowne Plaza Hotel, Jazz Street Stage, East Avenue Stage and Chrysler Performance Area.

Jam Sessions

Nightly at the Crowne Plaza State Street Bar & Grill beginning at 10:30 PM.

Jazz Shop

121 East Avenue, Downtown Rochester. Get information, tickets and official merchandise, buy music of Festival artists and get artist autographs. Open June 10-18 from 10 AM to midnight.

Official Festival Merchandise

Buy online at rochesterjazz.com or at the Jazz Shop.

Parking

Park free after 5:30 PM in the East End Garage, 475 Main Street East, Rochester, NY 14604. (585) 325-7860.

Street Closings

Gibbs St. and parts of East Ave. will be closed to traffic June 10, 11, 12, 17 and 18. Parts of Chestnut St. near East Ave. will also be closed to traffic June 17 and 18.

Sponsors

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