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Update

October 2024

KERRYTOWN CONCERT HOUSE presents

edgifest 28 2024
MESSAGES FROM THE EDGE

Edgifest 2024

This year's 28th annual Edgifest takes place over four days starting on October 16 and draws on talent from the whole world; many groups are truly cosmopolitan often based in New York City. Take drummer/composer Tomas Fujiwara, who was born and raised in Boston and moved to the Big Apple at the age of 17 to perform with bands of his like Triple Double, the Hook Up, and his own trio. At this year's Festival he will play with his 7 Poet Trio with cellist Tomeka Reid and vibraphonist Patricia Brennan.

A complete schedule can be found on page 3 of this newsletter.



Tomas Fujiwara (right),
Tomeka Reid (below)



The 2024 A2 Jazz Fest

This year's edition of the A2 Jazz Fest has several notable acts, starting with Joshua Redman's Quartet featuring Gabriell Cavassa at the Ark on October 3 and ending with vocalist Dee Dee Bridgewater and master pianist Bill Charlap at the Blue LLama on October 6. Redman is a very exciting tenor player as he showed recently at the Detroit Jazz Festival. Others include drummer Gayelynn McKinney and her trio on October 5.

The full schedule can be found on page 5 of this newsletter.



Bill Charlap,
Dee Dee Bridgewater,
Joshua Redman



The 2024 Detroit Jazz Festival

BY LARS BJORN

I was able to catch much of this year's Detroit Jazz Festival at Hart Plaza and the JP Morgan Chase stage at Cadillac Square. There was so much going on that it took time and patience to find the best music.

One artist I had awaited eagerly was Argentinian veteran pianist Pablo Ziegler — who for years was the accompanist of Astor Piazzola, the father of the New Tango. This musical form combines jazz and the venerable tango traditions of Argentina, with touches of European classical music added. A central instrument in the New Tango is the bandoneon, roughly a downsized accordion which was masterly played by Hector Del Curto. Ziegler's quintet also included the bass of Claudio Ragazzi. Italian vocalist Roberta Gambarini provided some warmth in the surprisingly cool weather we experienced on the last night of the festival. The tango rhythms inspired a couple of dancers to strut their stuff — an inspiring sight to be sure.



Noon Concerts at Schoolcraft College

Schoolcraft College has announced its jazz offerings for the 46th annual Wednesday Noon Concert Series.

Popular pianist Terry Lower performs with his trio alongside vocalist Eyde Evans Hyde on October 30.

UMPH, a talented University of Michigan sextet delves into highly crafted funk and fusion on November 20.

Pianist Ellen Rowe returns to Schoolcraft for another edition of her "All About the Trio" lecture/concerts on February 12, 2025. The group will be joined by acclaimed percussionist Chuck Redd (photo, top).

The Noon Concert Series concludes on March 16 with the Latin-infused music of the Lunar Octet.

The Wednesday Noon Concert Series is presented in Schoolcraft's Vistatech Center, 18600 Haggerty Rd. near Seven Mile. The one-hour concerts are free. Check schoolcraft.edu/music for a full schedule of all ten classical and jazz concerts.



Around Town

September was a busy month for jazz fans in Metro Detroit. Outside the major event, the Detroit Jazz Festival, there were many other worthwhile events that fans flocked to.

Vibraphonist Joe Locke



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All performances at Kerrytown Concert House in Ann Arbor

Wednesday, October 16

- 7:00 Joseph Daley Tonal Colors Trio**
Joseph Daley, tuba; Ken Filiano, bass; Shu Odamura, guitar
- 8:00 Andrew Bishop's Earth Bore**
Andrew Bishop, B-flat clarinet/bass clarinet; Oliver Bishop, bass clarinet; Peter Formanek, B-flat clarinet; Piotr Michalowski, contralto clarinet
- 9:00 Sylvie Courvoisier & Patricia Brennan Duo**
Sylvie Courvoisier, piano; Patricia Brennan, vibraphone
- 10:00 Ingrid Laubrock's Grammy Season**
Ingrid Laubrock, tenor & soprano saxophone; Brandon Seabrook, guitar; Shawn Lovato, bass; Tom Rainey, drums

Thursday, October 17

- 7:00 Brandon Seabrook, solo guitar**
- 8:00 MOCH: Patricia & Noel Brennan Duo**
Patricia Brennan, vibraphone; Noel Brennan ("DJ Arktureye"), drums/percussion/turntable
- 9:00 Ingrid Laubrock & Andy Milne Duo**
Ingrid Laubrock, tenor & soprano saxophones; Andy Milne, piano
- 10:00 Stephen Rush/Steve Swell Quintet**
Stephen Rush, toys & piano; Steve Swell, trombone; Molly Jones, tenor & soprano saxophones; Jaribu Shahid, bass; Jonathan Barahal Taylor, drums

Friday, October 18

- 7:00 Thomas/Taylor/El-magharbel**
Kenn Thomas, piano; Jonathan Barahal Taylor, drums; Zekkereya El-magharbel, trombone
- 8:00 Coven: Christi/Relyea/Wolper**
Andrea Wolper, voice; Ellen Christi, voice; Deanna Relyea, voice; Ken Filiano, bass; Hamid Drake, drums
- 9:00 Josh Zubot Strings**
Josh Zubot, violin; Jesse Zubot, violin; Meredith Bates, violin; Peggy Lee, cello; James Meger, bass
- 10:00 William Parker New Heart Trio**
William Parker, bass; Cooper-Moore, piano; Hamid Drake, drums

Saturday, October 19

- 12:00 Edgefest Parade and Picnic**
- 2:00 Djakate/Filiano/Kozora/Michalowski/Yuni**
Ken Kozora, cornet; Piotr Michalowski, bass clarinet/sopranino saxophone; Shoshke-Rayzl Yuni, guitar; Ken Filiano, bass; Djallo Djakate, drums
- 3:00 Joshua Abrams & Alexander Hawkins Duo**
Joshua Abrams, bass; Alexander Hawkins, piano
- 4:00 Tomas Fujiwara's 7 Poet Trio**
Tomas Fujiwara, drums; Patricia Brennan, vibraphone; Tomeka Reid, cello
- 7:00 Kenji Lee's Fortune Teller Trio**
Kenji Lee, tenor saxophone; Andy Peck, double bass; Jonathan Barahal Taylor, drums
- 8:00 East Axis**
Matthew Shipp, piano; Scott Robinson, reeds; Kevin Ray, bass; Eric McPherson, drums
- 9:00 Myra Melford's Fire and Water Quintet**
Myra Melford, piano & melodica; Ingrid Laubrock, tenor & soprano saxophone; Mary Halvorson, guitar; Tomeka Reid, cello; Lesley Mok, drums



The Choice for NPR...
news, jazz and blues.

Schedule

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
5							PUBJAZZ
6						PUBJAZZ	PUBJAZZ
7			MORNING EDITION NPR news, information, and public affairs Local news, traffic and weather with David Fair				REVEAL
8						WEEKEND EDITION Scott Simon	WEEKEND EDITION Rachel Martin
9						THIS AMERICAN LIFE	
10			89.1 JAZZ MORNING Hosted by Michael Jewett			WAIT, WAIT... DON'T TELL ME!	SUNDAY BEST Nik Thompson
11						TRAVEL Rick Steves	
12							
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2						FROM MEMPHIS TO MOWTOWN Wendy Wright	GROOVEYARD Daniel W. Long
3							THE IN CROWD Jessica Webster
4						ALL THINGS CONSIDERED NPR news, information & public affairs	BIG CITY BLUES CRUISE Joe Tiboni
5						ROOTS MUSIC PROJECT Jeremy Baldwin	
6							
7						REVEAL	CUBAN FANTASY Marc Taras
8						ALL SONGS CONSIDERED	MOUNTAIN STAGE Larry Groce
9						ALT.LATINO	JAZZ NIGHT IN AMERICA
10						MOUNTAIN STAGE Larry Groce	
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Eastern Michigan University

jazz events October



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18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31				

ATTENTION all venue owners, musicians, and listeners

Please let us know about upcoming jazz events in the area!

- Write us at SEMJA
712 East Ann St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104-1502
- Phone us at 734-668-7470
- Submit information online at
www.semja.org/submit

We will include notices if they reach us by the 15th of the month prior to publication.

Aretha's Jazz Café at Music Hall

jazzcafedetroit.com
350 Madison
DETROIT 313-887-8500

OCTOBER

28 7:00 Sky Covington's Take 5

ONGOING

Sun 7:00 Aretha's Jazz Jam

Baker's Keyboard Lounge

theofficialbakerskeyboardlounge.com
20510 Livernois
DETROIT 313-345-6300

ONGOING

Fri 7:00 Ralphe Armstrong Trio – with Gerard Gibbs, Brandon Williams

Sat 7:00 Ralphe Armstrong Trio – with Gerard Gibbs, Brandon Williams

Bert's Jazz Club

2727 Russell Outside in Eastern Market
DETROIT 313-657-8493

ONGOING

Thu 7:00 Bill Meyer Group – with Ibrahim Jones, Butter Hawkins



Blue Llama Jazz Club

www.bluellamaclub.com
314 South Main St.
ANN ARBOR 734-372-3200

OCTOBER

4 7:00 Demetrius Nabors Band
9:30

4 10:45 Late Night: Houston Patton Quartet

5 6:30 Dave McMurray
9:00

5 10:30 Late Night:
Joshua Watkins & Ascension

6 5:00 Dee Dee Bridgewater
7:00 with Bill Charlap

9 7:00 Christian McBride & Ursa Major
9:30

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9:30

12 6:30 Xavier Davis Quartet
9:00

12 10:30 Late Night: Jacob Hart Quartet –
with Michael Abbo, Christian Bush,
Sam Melkonian

17 7:00 Brian Charette Trio (NYC)
8:45

19 6:30 Marcus Elliott Quintet – with
9:00 Peyton Miller, Jordan Anderson,
Jonathon Muir-Cotton, Caleb
Robinson

19 10:30 Late Night: Brian David Allen & HTW

20 5:00 Olivia Van Goor & Mike Harrison
7:00

23 7:00 Arcoiris Sandoval
8:45

24 7:00 Janis Siegel & Yaron Gershovsky:
9:00 "The Colors of My Life" – A Cy
Coleman Songbook

25 7:00 Nick Collins Sextet:
9:30 CD Release Party

31 7:00 Kimmie Horne Halloween Show
8:45

Cadieux Café

www.cadieuxcafe.com
4300 Cadieux Rd.
DETROIT 313-882-8560

OCTOBER

6 3:00 Carl Stone and the
Detroit Jazz Factory

17 8:00 Dan Devins and the Blues Delegation

27 4:00 Planet D Nonet

ONGOING

Mon 8:00 Open Blues Jam – with
Bobby East, Pat Smillie & Friends

Cliff Bells

www.cliffbells.com
2030 Park Ave at West Adams
DETROIT 313-961-2543

OCTOBER

3, 4 7:30 Ben Rolston Quartet
9:30

5 7:30 Smoke Jones
9:30

6 5:30 Jeff Pedraz Trio
7:30

10 7:30 Caleb Robinson
9:30

11 7:30 Drey Skonie and the kLOUDs Band
9:30

12 7:30 Michael Malis Quintet
9:30

13 5:30 Brass Queens
7:30

17 7:30 Dion Kerr's "eko vuzion musik"
9:30

18, 19 7:30 Brian Charette Organ Trio
9:30

20 5:30 Brian Charette Organ Trio
7:30

25-27 7:30 Sean Dobbins
9:30

28 5:30 Sean Dobbins
7:30

31 7:30 Trunino Lowe Quartet
9:30

ONGOING

Wed 7:30 Kasan Belgrave

11:00 Residency and Session

Common Grill

www.commongrill.com
112 South Main St.
CHELSEA (734) 475-0470

ONGOING

Tue 5:00 Rob Crozier Trio



Dirty Dog Jazz Café

www.dirtydogjazz.com
97 Kercheval
GROSSE PTE. FARMS 313-882-5299

OCTOBER

3-5 6:00 Duane Parham

ONGOING

Tue 6:30 Michael Zaporski

The Earle

www.theearle.com
121 West Washington St.
ANN ARBOR 734-994-0211

ONGOING

Tue 7:00 Jake Reichbart

Wed 7:00 Jake Reichbart

Thu 7:00 Jake Reichbart

Fri 6:45 Robert Warren plus various

Sat 6:45 Robert Warren plus various

Imagine Restaurant

imaginaterestaurant.com
401 South Lafayette Ave.
ROYAL OAK 248-633-8899

ONGOING

Wed 6:30 Eat It Up Trio

Johnny's Royal Oak

johnnysroyaloak.com
215 South Main St.
ROYAL OAK 248-794-1261

ONGOING

Sun 6:30 Sheila Landis and Rick Matle

Lucille's Jazz Lounge

lucillesjazzlounge.com
1447 North Summit St., Suite C
TOLEDO, OH

OCTOBER

4 8:00 Lori Lefevre
11 8:00 Ingrid Racine
12 8:00 Tumbao Bravo
18 8:00 Joserrapere
19 8:00 Maurice John Vaughn
26 8:00 Nikki D & the Sisters of Thunder

North Star Lounge

www.nstarlounge.com
301 North Fifth Ave.
ANN ARBOR

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9 7:00 Kerrytown Stompers

Shield's

25101 Telegraph Rd.
SOUTHFIELD 248-476-2674

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5 1:00 Jerry McKenzie and "Just Jazz"
15 7:00 Olivia Van Goor and Dave Bennett
19 1:00 Ramona Collins

Schoolcraft College

schoolcraft.edu/music
Vistatech Center, 18600 Haggerty Rd.
LIVONIA 734-462-4403

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30 Noon Terry Lower Trio and vocalist
Edye Evans Hyde

Upcoming Jazz Events

NOVEMBER

1 WEMU 5:01 Jazz Series Kasan Belgrave • Blue LLama, Ann Arbor
1 Caleb Wheeler Curtis Trio • Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor
1 Alex Anest Organ Trio • Lucille's, Toledo OH
1-3 Trunino Lowe Quartet • Cliff Bells, Detroit
7-10 Jason Stein Trio • Cliff Bells, Detroit
10 Ellen Rowe Trio: Tribute to Richard Rodgers • Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor
9 Chuchito Valdés • Blue LLama, Ann Arbor
14 Dave Bennett Quartet • Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor
16 Dave Bennett Quartet • Shields, Southfield
17 Randy Napoleon and FutureString • Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor
20 UMPH Band • Schoolcraft College, Livonia
24 Paul Keller Quintet with guest vocalist Natalie Culmone • Mackenzie Hall Jazz, Windsor ON

Stearns Bldg: Cady Room

2005 Broadway, U-M North Campus
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5 7:00 Kris Davis, Robert Hurst,
Jonathan Blake



Venue by 4M

experience4m.com
1919 South Industrial Hwy.
ANN ARBOR 734-800-0128

ONGOING

Sun 11 am Jazz Sunday Brunch
Sat 7:00 Saturday Night Jazz

Weber's Habitat Lounge

www.thehabitatannarbor.com
3050 Jackson Rd.
ANN ARBOR 734-665-3636

ONGOING

Mon 6:00 Kevin Royer, Josef Deas
Tue 6:00 Kevin Royer, Josef Deas
Wed 6:00 Kevin Royer, Josef Deas
Thu 6:00 Kevin Royer, Josef Deas
Sun 5:00 William Marshall Bennett

Zal Gaz Grotto

zalgaz.org
2070 West Stadium Blvd.
ANN ARBOR 734-663-1202

ONGOING

Sun 5:00 Phil Ogilvie's Rhythm Kings
Mon 7:00 Paul Keller Orchestra
Tue 5:30 Paul Klinger's Easy Street Jazz Band



Thursday 3 October – Sunday 6 October, 2024

The Ark

316 South Main St.
ANN ARBOR

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3 8:00 Joshua Redman Quartet – featuring
Gabrielle Cavassa

Blue LLama Jazz Club

314 South Main St.
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4 10:30 Houston Patton Quartet

Canterbury House

721 East Huron St.
ANN ARBOR

OCTOBER

5 7:00 Frames of Mind by Neuroarts

Ravens Club

207 South Main St.
ANN ARBOR

OCTOBER

5 9:00 Bob Sweet Quartet
Gayelynn McKinney Trio

Blue LLama Jazz Club

314 South Main St.
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5 10:30 Joshua Watkins & Ascension

Kerrytown Concert House

415 North Fourth Ave.
ANN ARBOR

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6 Noon Jazz Improvisation Workshop – with
Sean Dobbins and Vincent Chandler
6 2:30 Community High School Jazz
Ensemble
6 3:15 Elvin Sharp Quartet
6 4:00 Sean Dobbins Quintet



Blue LLama Jazz Club

314 South Main St.
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6 5:00 Dee Dee Bridgewater and
7:00 Bill Charlap

Ravens Club

207 South Main St.
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6 7:00 Jam Session – with
Jesse Kramer Trio



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The Southeastern Michigan Jazz Association

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- Patron \$60
- Nonprofit Corp. \$50
- Corporate \$250
- Lifetime \$500

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