

STANFORD JAZZ FESTIVAL 2025

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JUNE

22 MESMERIZING INDIAN JAZZ FUSION INDIAN JAZZ JOURNEY FEATURING MAHESH KALE AND GEORGE BROOKS

SUNDAY | 4:00 | DINKELSPIEL
Immerse yourself in the enchanting synergy of superstar vocalist Mahesh Kale and saxophone virtuoso George Brooks in a performance that will captivate and inspire. Joined by extraordinary guest musicians, this dynamic musical journey promises to leave you amazed and uplifted.

27 PIANO TRIO MASTERY FRED HERSCH TRIO

FRIDAY | 7:30 | DINKELSPIEL
Experience the artistry of the Fred Hersch Trio, featuring bassist Drew Gress and drummer Joe Dyson. A 17-time GRAMMY nominee, Hersch is hailed as "a living legend" by *The New Yorker*. With expressive compositions and masterful improvisation, this trio delivers an intimate, dynamic performance that redefines the jazz piano trio.

28 TRUMPET FIRE AND SOUL JEREMY PELT QUINTET

SATURDAY | 7:30 | DINKELSPIEL
Trumpeter Jeremy Pelt brings his signature blend of tradition and innovation to the stage with his quintet, performing music from his latest album, *Woven*. A dynamic force in jazz, Pelt's rich tone and fearless improvisation make for an unforgettable evening.

29 CELEBRATING SARAH VAUGHAN TIFFANY AUSTIN PRESENTS SASSY: 100 YEARS OF SARAH VAUGHAN

SUNDAY | 7:30 | CAMPBELL
With warmth and soul, acclaimed vocalist Tiffany Austin presents *Sassy: 100 Years of Sarah Vaughan*, celebrating the legendary jazz singer's wondrous voice, artistry, and legacy with fresh interpretations that honor her timeless brilliance.

JULY

06 NEW DISCOVERIES FROM THE BIRD WITH STRINGS CATALOGUE KEN PEPLOWSKI: THE UNHEARD BIRD

SUNDAY | 7:30 | DINKELSPIEL
Clarinetist and saxophonist Ken Peplowski presents *Unheard Bird*, showcasing Charlie Parker's unrecorded string arrangements. Accompanied by lush strings and rich woodwinds, Peplowski brings these forgotten masterpieces to life, offering a fresh perspective on Parker's visionary work.

11 HONORING BLAKEY'S TIMELESS LEGACY JAZZ SAWYER: TRIBUTE TO ART BLAKEY & THE JAZZ MESSENGERS

FRIDAY | 7:30 | CAMPBELL
Drummer Jazz Sawyer channels the indomitable spirit of Art Blakey & The Jazz Messengers in a tribute performance. Merging his versatile style—rooted in classical, jazz, and Afro-Caribbean traditions—with the timeless rhythms of Blakey's legacy, he delivers a heartfelt tribute.

12 JAZZ JAMS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY EARLY BIRD JAZZ FOR KIDS WITH DR. DAVE HART & THE ZOOKEEPERS

SATURDAY | 11:00 AM | DINKELSPIEL
Get ready to swing, sing, and clap with Dr. Dave Hart and the Zookeepers! This interactive family concert lets kids discover the joy of jazz and the inspiration that comes from playing instruments.

12 BROADWAY & HOLLYWOOD SWING JOHN PIZZARELLI

SATURDAY | 7:30 | DINKELSPIEL
Acclaimed guitarist and vocalist John Pizzarelli celebrates the 40th anniversary of his debut album by reinterpreting classic Broadway and Hollywood hits with his new trio. Enjoy a fun, swinging tribute to the *Great American Songbook*, crafted for true jazz enthusiasts.

13 MELTING POT OF SOUND SAM REIDER PRESENTS SPAGHETTI FT. JIM CAMPILONGO, SCOTT AMENDOLA & MAT MUNTZ

SUNDAY | 7:30 | CAMPBELL
Pianist-accordionist Sam Reider presents his new band Spaghetti, where diverse strands of American music—from jazz and folk to contemporary vibes—come together in a creative, interwoven tapestry. A Latin GRAMMY-nominated innovator, Reider reimagines timeless traditions with playful ingenuity.

14 LYRICAL JAZZ STORYTELLING CAILI O'DOHERTY: SUITE FOR GEAROIDIN

MONDAY | 7:30 | CAMPBELL
New York pianist, composer, and educator Caili O'Doherty honors her late mother with "Suite for Gearoidin", a heartfelt 13-part work created to uplift and heal. Performed by her quartet, the suite was supported by Chamber Music America's New Jazz Works program, funded by the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation.

15 VIRTUOSITY REDEFINED LUTHER ALLISON SEXTET

TUESDAY | 7:30 | CAMPBELL
Discover the innovative piano artistry of Luther S. Allison and his high-energy sextet. Honored with a GRAMMY and celebrating a critically acclaimed new release, Allison blends jazz foundations with modern originality, offering a captivating performance that redefines contemporary piano jazz.

16 BLUES GUITAR FIRE RUTH DAVIES' BLUES NIGHT WITH CHRIS CAIN

WEDNESDAY | 7:30 | DINKELSPIEL
Join Bay Area bassist Ruth Davies for our annual Blues Night, featuring legendary guitarist Chris Cain. Enjoy a soulful blend of Memphis-style electric blues, where deep vocals and jazz-inflected riffs echo the legacy of B.B. King and Albert King. A night of powerful blues awaits.

17 STUDIO GHIBLI FILM SCORE CLASSICS WITH A JAZZ TWIST AN EVENING WITH VICTOR LIN: MUSIC OF STUDIO GHIBLI

THURSDAY | 7:30 | DINKELSPIEL
Join Stanford Jazz Workshop favorite Victor Lin for a captivating evening as he transforms Studio Ghibli's iconic melodies with a fusion of these cinematic favorites and jazz improvisation. His imaginative reinterpretations breathe new life into beloved scores, creating a dynamic and immersive musical journey.

19 INTIMATE GUITAR & CLARINET MASTERY ANAT COHEN & MARCELLO GONÇALVES

SATURDAY | 7:30 | DINKELSPIEL
Experience a unique, intimate duo performance by world-class clarinetist Anat Cohen and guitarist Marcello Gonçalves. Celebrated for her expressive virtuosity—from infectious joy to soulful melancholy—Cohen's artistry perfectly complements Gonçalves' impeccable style, delivering an unforgettable journey in jazz innovation.

20 TRANSCENDENT JAZZ AND AFRO-CUBAN FUSION JOHN SANTOS SEXTET WITH SPECIAL GUEST YILIAN CAÑIZARES

SUNDAY | 7:30 | DINKELSPIEL
Multi-GRAMMY nominee John Santos leads his stellar Sextet in an exhilarating Afro-Cuban Jazz showcase, blending rich history with vibrant improvisation. Featuring special guest, rising star vocalist and violinist Yilian Cañizares, this performance highlights original compositions and Latin jazz classics, brought to life with infectious rhythms and masterful musicianship.

21 ARTISTRY AND INNOVATION RISING STARS: THE SJW MENTOR FELLOWS

MONDAY | 7:30 | CAMPBELL
Join us for a special evening as the SJW Mentor Fellows share their artistry through original compositions and arrangements. Celebrating jazz's multi-generational spirit, this performance highlights the next generation of jazz educators and performers. Don't miss this inspiring night of music from these rising stars!

22 BASS VIRTUOSITY REDEFINED NOAH GARABEDIAN QUINTET FEATURING VALERIE TROUTT

TUESDAY | 7:30 | CAMPBELL
Experience bassist and composer Noah Garabedian as he steps into the spotlight for the first time as a lyricist, bringing his own band and compositions to life. Blending heartfelt songwriting with Americana folk influences, Garabedian leads an electrifying ensemble through a dynamic fusion of storytelling and improvisation.

23 BAY AREA PIANO LEGEND TAMMY L. HALL

WEDNESDAY | 7:30 | CAMPBELL
An accomplished solo artist and bandleader, Bay Area-based pianist, organist, and composer Tammy Hall performs a program of standards and originals with her powerhouse sextet.

24 SOULFUL VIBRAPHONE BRILLIANCE JOEL ROSS: GOOD VIBES

THURSDAY | 7:30 | DINKELSPIEL
Join vibraphonist Joel Ross for an electrifying live performance featuring selections from his recent Blue Note Records release, *nublies*. Ross transforms intricate jazz into a familiar, soulful groove, inviting you to lean in and experience a dynamic musical journey.

26 VELVET VOICE, TIMELESS SOUL LIZZ WRIGHT

SATURDAY | 7:30 | DINKELSPIEL
Acclaimed vocalist Lizz Wright, celebrated for her "smooth, dark alto" that conjures images of barrel-aged bourbon and butter-soft leather, delivers a transcendent live performance. Her 20-year career unites audiences through a profound display of love and deep humanity in every note she sings.

27 PIONEERING BLUE NOTE PIANIST PAUL CORNISH TRIO

SUNDAY | 8:00 | CAMPBELL
Los Angeles-based pianist and composer Paul Cornish, newly signed with Blue Note Records, masterfully blends deep jazz roots with a forward-looking, innovative vision. Stanford Jazz Workshop alumni Cornish transforms tradition into a dynamic and inspiring musical journey.

28 INTIMATE & SWINGING CLASSIC JAZZ DENA DEROSE TRIO

MONDAY | 8:00 | CAMPBELL
Hailed as "the most creative and compelling singer-pianist since Shirley Horn" (*Washington City Paper*), DeRose brings her unparalleled artistry to the Stanford Jazz Festival for an intimate evening of swinging, soulful jazz.

29 BOLD BEBOP BEAUTY GEORGE CABLES & FRIENDS

TUESDAY | 8:00 | DINKELSPIEL
A living jazz legend and a post-bop pioneer, George Cables has played with nearly every leading jazz artist since the mid-'60s, and continues to expand the list during his annual Stanford Jazz musical celebrations.

30 TENOR SAX INNOVATION DAYNA STEPHENS

WEDNESDAY | 8:00 | CAMPBELL
Renowned saxophonist Dayna Stephens is back with his fresh quartet for a dazzling live set. Featuring inventive original compositions, Stephens and his celebrated band deliver a performance that ignites the stage with unbridled energy.

31 GRAMMY WINNING BRILLIANCE UNLEASHED TAYLOR EIGSTI QUARTET FEATURING BEN WENDEL

THURSDAY | 8:00 | DINKELSPIEL
Taylor Eigsti, fresh off his GRAMMY win for *Plot Armor*, lights up the stage with his virtuosity. His dynamic interplay and impeccable technique create an exhilarating live experience, redefining the boundaries of modern jazz piano.

AUGUST

01 THE BIGGEST JAZZ CELEBRATION OF THE SUMMER SJW ALL-STAR JAM

FRIDAY | 8:00 | DINKELSPIEL
At this lovingly curated annual jam session, you'll hear parings and combinations of jazz artists you'll never hear anywhere else. In duo, trio, quartet, and larger ensembles, these amazing top-tier players can let their unbridled creativity soar.

ENJOY THE TOP ARTISTS IN JAZZ THIS SUMMER!

**JOEL
ROSS
JUL 24
AT DINKELSPIEL
AUDITORIUM**

**TIFFANY
AUSTIN
JUN 29
AT CAMPBELL
RECITAL HALL**

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