

STANFORD JAZZ FESTIVAL

JUN 21–JUL 31, 2026

ENJOY THE TOP ARTISTS
IN JAZZ THIS SUMMER!

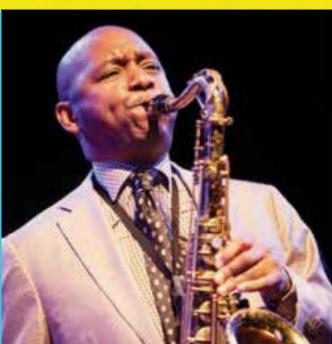
JUN



MESMERIZING INDIAN JAZZ FUSION
INDIAN JAZZ JOURNEY
FEAT. MAHESH KALE
AND GEORGE BROOKS

22
SUNDAY
4:00PM
BING

Experience 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 unforgettable musical journey promises to leave you amazed and uplifted.



26
FRIDAY
7:30PM
DINKELSPIEL

BRANFORD MARSALIS'S SINGULAR
STATE-OF-THE-ART QUARTET
BRANFORD MARSALIS
QUARTET

There's no ensemble in jazz quite like the Branford Marsalis Quartet, a celebrated ensemble that has honed telepathic interplay over thousands of high-energy gigs.



A SUPREMELY LYRICAL JOURNEY WITH
GRAMMY AWARD-WINNING PIANIST
BILLY CHILDS
QUARTET

27
SATURDAY
7:30PM
DINKELSPIEL

LA pianist Billy Childs's compositions and arrangements account for the bulk of his six GRAMMY Awards, but the most recent recognized his gorgeous playing on his 2023 quartet session *The Winds of Change*.



JAZZ JAMS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY
EARLY BIRD WITH
DR. DAVID HART

28
SUNDAY
11:00AM
DINKELSPIEL

Get ready to swing, sing, and clap with Dr. David Hart and the Zookeepers! This interactive family concert lets kids discover the joy of jazz and the inspiration that comes from playing instruments.



GRAMMY AWARD-WINNING BRAZILIAN
VOCALIST INTRODUCES HER STRING-
CENTRIC NEW MOON ENSEMBLE
LUCIANA SOUZA'S
NEW MOON

28
SUNDAY
7:30PM
DINKELSPIEL

One of jazz's most celebrated vocalists, Luciana Souza introduces New Moon, a lustrous new project with fellow São Paulo native Marcel Camargo on guitar and his arrangements incorporating string quartet.

JUL



GUITARIST NICK ROSSI CONJURES THE
SWINGING SOUNDS OF EARLY ELLINGTON
THE MUSIC OF DUKE
ELLINGTON WITH NICK
ROSSI'S JAZZOPATERS

10
FRIDAY
7:30PM
CAMPBELL

An eminent scholar of pre-World War II jazz, ace guitarist Nick Rossi leads the West Coast's only combo devoted to classic small group recordings by Duke Ellington, Billy Strayhorn and star soloists.



SUPREMELY SUAVE CROONER RETURNS
TO STANFORD WITH QUINTET
NICOLAS BEARDE
QUINTET

11
SATURDAY
7:30PM
CAMPBELL

Inhabiting a sparsely populated zone between masculine R&B fervor and cool jazz crooning, the effortlessly soulful Nicolas Bearde is a Bay Area treasure who knows that vulnerability and passion go hand in hand.



BASSIST/COMPOSER MARCUS SHELBY
GETS TO THE HEART OF MINGUS
MARCUS SHELBY
SEXTET CONVERSATION:
THE LANGUAGE OF
CHARLES MINGUS

12
SUNDAY
7:30PM
CAMPBELL

Marcus Shelby walks in the footsteps of iconic bassist/composer Charles Mingus, creating epic works that tell overlooked stories from Black history with blues and swing.



CHRISTINA GALISATUS EXPLORES THE
BRILLIANT SONGBOOK OF JONI MITCHELL
CHRISTINA GALISATUS
QUINTET PLAYS
JONI MITCHELL

13
MONDAY
7:30PM
CAMPBELL

Christina Galisatus interprets the songs of Joni Mitchell through a supple jazz lens, drawing on all her skills as a pianist, composer, vocalist, and songwriter.



CELEBRATING TENOR SAX GREAT
JIMMY HEATH'S 100TH BIRTHDAY
JIMMY HEATH
CENTENNIAL
CELEBRATION
WITH JEB PATTON
& DAVID WONG

14
TUESDAY
7:30PM
CAMPBELL

Inveterately swinging pianist Jeb Patton and veteran bassist David Wong celebrate the legacy of their mentor and former employer Jimmy Heath, the brilliant saxophonist, composer, and arranger.



EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED WITH
PIANIST/VIOLINIST VICTOR LIN
VICTOR LIN: GERSHWIN
REIMAGINED

15
WEDNESDAY
7:30PM
DINKELSPIEL

A Workshop mainstay for nearly three decades, pianist/violinist Victor Lin brings fresh perspective to the music of George Gershwin in an evening of lively, imaginative interpretations.



SOUL-BEARING CROONER MICHAEL
MAYO MAKES HIS FESTIVAL DEBUT
MICHAEL MAYO
QUARTET

16
THURSDAY
7:30PM
DINKELSPIEL

Every generation seems to produce an exceptionally talented male jazz vocalist or two, and the '20s will be remembered for the emergence of Michael Mayo, a lithe, soul-steeped improviser devoted to direct emotional expression.



18
SATURDAY
7:30PM
DINKELSPIEL

REED STAR ANAT COHEN
CELEBRATES A MILESTONE YEAR
ANAT COHEN

Fresh off of a series of major events marking her 50th birthday, from Jazz at Lincoln Center to SFJAZZ, tenor saxophonist and clarinetist Anat Cohen returns to Stanford, where her jazz festival performances are an annual highlight.



CHAMBER JAZZ WIND QUARTET
IN DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE
THE WESTERLIES

19
SUNDAY
7:30PM
CAMPBELL

A singular chamber jazz ensemble, The Westerlies have honed a gorgeous, intricately calibrated approach that brings uncommon intimacy to the unique two trumpet, two trombone lineup.



POWERHOUSE SAXOPHONE SUMMIT
ANISHA RUSH
QUARTET & BEN
FLOCKS: MOONSHADES

20
MONDAY
7:30PM
CAMPBELL

A potent double bill pairs two stellar saxophonists, with bands led by rising star Anisha Rush and mid-career master Ben Flocks, who's celebrating the release of a powerhouse trio



TRUMPET STAR JEREMY PELT
CELEBRATES MILES AT 100
MILES DAVIS
CENTENNIAL
CELEBRATION
FEAT. JEREMY PELT

21
TUESDAY
7:30PM
CAMPBELL

A protean bandleader who's thrived in straight-ahead acoustic settings and dense, plugged-in sessions, Jeremy Pelt is ideally placed to explore the vast and ever-expanding legacy of trumpet legend Miles Davis.



BLUES GUITAR MASTERY
FROM A RISING STAR
RUTH DAVIES'
BLUES NIGHT FEAT.
SEAN MCDONALD

22
WEDNESDAY
7:30PM
DINKELSPIEL

Returning for its 23rd edition, Ruth Davies' Blues Night is a bona fide Stanford Jazz tradition that ensures that the music's essential roots are explicitly recognized and honored.



VIBRAPHONE STAR STEFON HARRIS
PLAYS RARE WEST COAST CONCERT
STEFON HARRIS
& BLACKOUT

23
THURSDAY
7:30PM
DINKELSPIEL

A widely influential artist who decided to dial back touring in order to focus on teaching, vibraphonist/composer Stefon Harris has profoundly shaped a generation of jazz artists.



25
SATURDAY
7:30PM
DINKELSPIEL

SENSATIONAL CUBAN VIOLINIST/
VOCALIST MAKES STANFORD DEBUT
AS A BANDBLEADER
YILIAN CAÑIZARES

After her jaw-dropping Stanford Jazz Festival appearance last summer with percussion maestro John Santos, Cuban violinist/vocalist Yilian Cañizares returns to present her own dynamic band.



VIBRAPHONIST SASHA BERLINER
MAKES HER HEADLINER DEBUT
SASHA BERLINER

26
SUNDAY
8:00PM
CAMPBELL

San Francisco-reared vibraphonist Sasha Berliner, who last performed at the Festival two years ago co-leading a tribute to vibes legend Bobby Hutcherson and drummer Eddie Marshall, returns with her state-of-the-art band.



TWO EXCEPTIONAL GUITARISTS EMBODY
THE CONTEMPORARY SCENE
GUITAR NIGHT
FEAT. CAMILA MEZA
& DAN WILSON

27
MONDAY
8:00PM
CAMPBELL

Camila Meza, a regular presence on the Workshop faculty for the past decade, is a guitarist, composer and vocalist with a strikingly original sound. She shares the Guitar Night double bill with Dan Wilson, a supremely soulful improviser who anchored the late organ star Joey DeFrancesco's last band.



LEGENDARY JAZZ PIANIST/COMPOSER
GEORGE CABLES PERFORMS W/ FRIENDS
GEORGE CABLES SEXTET

28
TUESDAY
8:00PM
DINKELSPIEL

At 81, pianist George Cables is jazz royalty. As an accompanist, composer, and bandleader he's been at the center of jazz's progressive mainstream since the late 1960s, with a resume that rivals any living peer and a book of beloved compositions in regular circulation.



ELECTRIFYING CUBAN
CREATIVITY, STYLE, & VIRTUOSITY
ALDO LÓPEZ-GAVILÁN

29
WEDNESDAY
8:00PM
DINKELSPIEL

Coming off a year illuminated by the documentary about his musical reunion with his brother, violinist Ilmar Gavilán, Aldo López-Gavilán continues to dazzle international audiences with his keyboard prowess.



PIANO STAR TAYLOR EIGSTI PERFORMS
WITH FRIENDS OLD AND NEW
TAYLOR EIGSTI GROUP
FEAT. GRETCHEN PARLATO
& ZACK GROOVES

30
THURSDAY
8:00PM
DINKELSPIEL

Since the turn of the century no artist has been more deeply identified with Stanford Jazz than pianist Taylor Eigsti, a prodigy who went on to carve out a brilliant career as an accompanist, composer and two-time GRAMMY Award-winning recording artist.



THE BIGGEST JAZZ
CELEBRATION OF THE SUMMER
ALL-STAR JAM

31
FRIDAY
8:00PM
DINKELSPIEL

At this lovingly curated annual jam session, you'll hear pairings and combinations of jazz artists you'll never hear anywhere else. In duet, trio, quartet, and larger ensembles, these amazing top-tier players can let their unbridled creativity soar.



TICKETS GO ON
SALE TO THE PUBLIC
FRIDAY, APRIL 3.

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