

Denver JAZZ Club NEWS

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Denver Jazz Club in operation for 65 continuous years

Established 1954

Happy 2021 from the Denver Jazz Club!



Denver Jazz Club Members,

Once again I want to assure all of you that The Denver Jazz Club is here to stay. The DJC Board keeps assessing the current COVID-19 situation and how DJC can operate within the guidelines set forth by Tri-County Health and Adams County Health. Under these guidelines, Denver Jazz Club cannot hold an event at this time. Therefore, Denver Jazz Club will not be holding events until the Covid-19 guidelines for Tri-County and Adams County allow such events. Your health and welfare are the most important concerns of the Denver Jazz Club! Adams County has assured us that DJC will receive full credit for event fees that were paid prior to COVID-19! Financially we are OK, unlike some organizations!

I want to assure you that the Denver Jazz Club is not going away. After 65 years, we are a strong organization with a Board of Directors who is strong and making sure we remain strong until the current situation is back to normal. So, as your president, I ask you to be strong with us and renew your membership when requested.

Dan Simons
President DJC



The Denver Jazz Club Youth All-Stars are rehearsing weekly. Our recent visiting clinicians have included: **Lance Acker** (reeds), **Mike McCullough** (guitar/vocals), **Todd Reid** (drums), and **Charlie Smith** (trumpet).



Congratulations to **Tom Asiala**, Chatfield High School junior, for being selected as our trumpet player! Other band members for 2020-2021 are: **Joanna Toy**, clarinet – sophomore, Golden High School; **Ben Kaufman**, tenor sax – senior, East High School; **Serra Claypool**, trombone - senior, Legacy High School; **Andrew Kaiser**, banjo – junior, Horizon High School; **Aidan Vogel**, piano, senior, East High School; **Jacob Brown**, tuba - senior, Chatfield High School; and **Isaiah Kim**, drums, junior, Grandview High School.

The band is planning to go on a concert tour to New Orleans next summer! You can help support us by going to: <http://youthallstars.denverjazzclub.com/donate/> to make a single or recurring donation, or to purchase any of our 11 CDs! Our most recent CD, "Swingin' Through the Pandemic" is now available for just \$10. Buy any 3 of our CDs and get one free! You can also mail donations and purchases to: Denver Jazz Club Youth All-Stars, Ed Cannava, Director, 6388 S. Dexter St, Centennial, CO 80121. Venmo donations to: @DenverJazzClubYouthAll-Stars. PayPal donations to: <http://youthallstars.denverjazzclub.com/donate/>.

Upcoming Performances:

First Saturdays of the Month (except January – second Saturday in January) – January 9, February 6, March 6, April 3, May 1 and June 5 from 6:30-8:30PM at the Mercury Café Jungle Room, 2199 California St, Denver

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Denver Jazz Club Membership Application

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By Ed Danielson

The club will not be meeting in January, and possibly not in February, but we can still celebrate the birthdays of jazz musicians who were born on our meeting dates.

January 17, 1910, is the birthday of drummer Big Sid Catlett, who was born in Evansville, Illinois. He was given his first drum set when his family moved to Chicago, and immediately began learning by emulating the styles of Zutty Singleton and Warren "Baby" Dodds, and others. His first gig at age 18 was with Darnell Howard, and he was Louis Armstrong's drummer of choice between 1938 and 1942. He also worked with Benny Goodman and (briefly) Duke Ellington. Catlett died of a heart attack in 1951; he was only 41 years old.



And February 21, 1931 is the birthday of Australian trombonist Max Collie. Born in Melbourne, Australia, he played with several different jazz bands before forming his own group Max Collie's Rhythm Aces in February 1966. They released their first record in 1971 and in 1975 they won a world championship in traditional jazz against 14 North American jazz bands. Max Collie died in 2018.



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