

Denver JAZZ Club NEWS

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November-December 2021 Denver Jazz Club in operation for 66 continuous years Established 1954

65th Anniversary Party with the Queen City Jazz Band

Sunday, November 21



We finally get to celebrate our COVID-postponed 65th Anniversary in style with longtime Denver

favorites the Queen City Jazz Band, (who are celebrating 63 years of existence themselves)! The band has performed at every major traditional jazz festival in North America, faithfully recreating the music of Louis Armstrong, Fats Waller, Jelly Roll Morton, Bix Beiderbecke and many others. With **Kevin Bollinger**, trumpet; **John Bredenberg**, clarinet and sax; **Eric Staffeldt**, trombone,

Hank Troy, piano; **Rory Thomas**, banjo; leader **Bill Clark**, tuba; **Tony Pantelis**, drums; and vocalist **Wende Harston**.

Where, when, how much:

- Denver Jazz Club, 2:00-5:00 PM Sunday, November 21
- Westminster Elks Club, 3850 Elk Drive
- Admission is \$8 for members of any jazz club, \$10 for anyone who isn't a jazz club member, free for age 12 and younger.

Amenities:

- Cabaret-style seating, dance floor, cash bar.
- Celebratory cupcakes!
- Denver Jazz Club Youth All-Stars perform between sets.

Hot Tomatoes Dance Orchestra

Sunday, December 19



This is the club's annual holiday potluck, so everyone is invited to provide a dish: an entrée, salad, appetizer or dessert to share while we all enjoy the music of the **Hot Tomatoes Dance Orchestra**. Formed in 1982 by the late pianist Ron

Cope, it's a nine piece band that specializes in swing and dance music, at home with music for dancers and listeners, playing everything from R&B to Sinatra.

There are plenty of good cooks in the Denver Jazz Club, so please bring an entrée, salad, appetizer or dessert to share –along with your appetite!

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- Westminster Elks Club, 3850 Elk Drive
- Admission is \$10 for this event.

Amenities:

- Cabaret-style seating, dance floor, cash bar.

For the protection of our Denver Jazz Club members and guests:

COVID-19 Vaccination is required for entry to the Denver Jazz Club.

PLEASE BRING A COPY OF YOUR PROOF OF VACCINATION CARD, AND SHOW IT AT THE ENTRY TO THE BALLROOM.

The Denver Jazz Club Board of Directors, in a special meeting held on Monday, August 23, voted unanimously to require that those attending our monthly sessions at the Westminster Elks Lodge be vaccinated against COVID-19. This is because of the widespread outbreak of the new Delta variant of the disease. Those 15 years of age and younger are required to wear masks at all times. This policy will apply to musicians as well as attendees. For club-sponsored student organizations, full vaccinations are required for ages 12 and up. The club will keep a record of each member's vaccination status, so only a one-time check will be needed.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!



***We are now working towards our summer 2022 European Concert Tour!
The DJC Youth All-Stars are setting their sights on the Montreux, Switzerland
International Jazz Festival, along with other European performance destinations.***

WE CONTINUE TO NEED YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Please go to: <http://youthallstars.denverjazzclub.com/donate/> to make a donation or purchase any of our 12 CDs!

Venmo donations to: @DenverJazzClubYouthAll-Stars.

PayPal donations to: <http://youthallstars.denverjazzclub.com/donate/>

You can mail donations to: Denver Jazz Club Youth All-Stars, Ed Cannava, Director,
6388 S. Dexter St, Centennial, CO 80121.

Our most recent CD, "It's Mardi Gras Time!," is now available for purchase!

A special thanks to all of you in the Denver Jazz Club for your unending support! Thanks to all of you who participate in the King Soopers fundraiser – this program continuously helps our youth all-stars!



*Presenting the **fully vaccinated** 2021-22 DJC Youth All-Stars:*

Joanna Toy – Clarinet – Junior, Golden High School; **Nolan Musson** – Tenor Sax – Sophomore, Chatfield High School;
Walker Roberts - Trumpet - Sophomore, East High School; **Gabby Rose** - Trombone - Senior, Castle View High School;
Joey Crooks – Banjo – Junior, East High School; **Jonny Anders** - Piano – Sophomore, Golden High School;
Ryan Kilgroe - Tuba - Sophomore, Arvada West High School; **Bennett Miller** – Drums – Junior, East High School

Local Band Appearances

Musicians frequently lead complicated lives. It's always a good idea to check the band website – or the venue's website – to update scheduled appearances.

After Midnight

www.aftermidnightjazzband.com

Wednesday, November 10 6:00 PM – Dazzle at Baur's, 1512 Curtis, Denver
 Saturday, November 13 7:00 PM - Carousel Dance Club (members only; new members welcome), Lakewood Elks, 1455 Newland
 Friday, December 31 10:00 PM - New Year's Eve Swing Dance, Avalon Ballroom, 6185 Arapahoe Road, Boulder

Crystal Swing Band

www.crystalswingband.com

Saturday, November 20 8:00 PM – CD Release Party, Avalon Ballroom, 6185 Arapahoe, Boulder (COVID Vaccination required)

Denver Jazz Club Youth All-Stars

www.youthallstars.denverjazzclub.com

Sunday, November 21 Between sets of the QCJB, Denver Jazz Club, Westminster Elks Club, 3850 Elk Dr., Westminster
 Thursday, December 9 6:30 PM – Mercury Café Jungle Room, 2199 California, Denver
 Tuesday, December 14 6:00 PM – Q's Pub and Grille, 10133 W. Chatfield Ave, Littleton

Hot Tomatoes Dance Orchestra

www.hottomatoes.com

Saturday, November 20 8:00 PM – Avalon Ballroom, 6185 Arapahoe Road, Boulder
 Friday & Saturday, Dec. 3&4 1940s White Christmas Ball, Hyatt Regency, Denver
 Sunday, December 19 2:00 PM – Denver Jazz Club Christmas Party, Westminster Elks, 3850 Elk Dr., Westminster

La Pompe Jazz

www.lapompejazz.com

Saturday, November 21 8:00 PM – Swallow Hill Music, 71 E Yale Ave, Denver – with Michele Castro

Poudre River Irregulars

www.prijb.com

Fridays, Nov. 5 & Dec. 3 2:00 PM – Patio at Avogadro's Number, 605 S. Mason, Ft. Collins

Queen City Jazz Band

www.queencityjazzband.com

Sunday, November 14 8:00 PM – Mercury Café, 2199 California, Denver
 Sunday, November 21 2:00 PM – Denver Jazz Club 65th Anniversary Party, Westminster Elks, 3850 Elk Dr., Westminster

Hot Jazz, Pop Jazz, Hokum, Hilarity and History

By Ed Danielson



Born on November 21, 1902, in Reading, PA, pianist Arthur Schutt played on recordings by Roger Wolfe Kahn, Frankie Trumbauer, Bix Beiderbecke, the Charleston Chasers, Red Nichols, even (late in his career) both Dorsey brothers and Benny Goodman. Later working as a studio pianist, Schutt died in 1964.



Violinist and bandleader Erskine Tate was born on December 18, 1895, in Memphis. He became an early figure on the Chicago jazz scene, playing with his band, the Vendome

Orchestra. The band at times included the likes of Louis Armstrong, Buster Bailey, Omer Simeon, Fats Waller, and Teddy Wilson. He retired from performing to teach music in schools, and passed in 1978.



The man who first made the tenor sax a legitimate jazz instrument, Coleman Hawkins was born November 21, 1904, in St. Joseph, MO. He was the first to tailor his method of improvisation to the saxophone rather than imitate the techniques of the clarinet. His playing on a

recording of Body and Soul is considered a classic. Hawkins passed in 1969.



Lu Watters, the very prominent trumpeter and composer during the traditional jazz revival movement of the 1930s, '40s and '50s in San Francisco, was born

December 18, 1911, in Santa Cruz, CA. His Yerba Buena Jazz Band recreated the classic sound of the two-trumpet Creole Jazz Band of King Oliver. Watters died in 1989.

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Denver Jazz Club Membership Application

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Other Jazz Clubs:

The Boulder Friends of Jazz first Sunday monthly jam sessions are held at 2:00 PM on the first Sunday of the month, at the Avalon Ballroom, 6185 Arapahoe Rd., Boulder. Verification of COVID vaccine status will be required for entry. Information at boulderfriendsofjazz.org

Pikes Peak Jazz and Swing Society (PPJASS) Second Sunday Jazz Affairs are back, now held on a bi-monthly basis, at the Olympian Plaza Reception & Event Center, 975 Union Blvd., in Colorado Springs. The band for November 19 will be **Double McGuffin**. Admission is \$15.00. Information at ppjass.org

The Northern Colorado Traditional Jazz Society hosts its first Friday events on the patio at Avogadro's Number, 605 S. Mason Street, in Fort Collins, from 2:00 PM until 4:00 PM. The **Poudre River Irregulars** provide the music. Admission is \$15.00. Reservations are no longer required. Information at prijb.com and avogadros.com



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