

# Denver JAZZ Club NEWS

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***Winter is coming to an end, and we're celebrating Spring  
at the Denver Jazz Club in March and April.***



On St. Patrick's Day, Jeremy Mohney and his Band will play for your listening and – especially – dancing pleasure. April brings the club's annual Ron Cope Scholarship Rent Party Fundraiser, with the Hot Tomatoes Dance Orchestra and the UCD Claim Jumpers providing the entertainment and dance music. There will also be a raffle, to benefit a young musician pursuing music education. More details about the bands on Page 2.

## ***Ron Cope Scholarship Fundraiser***

An annual event, this concert and raffle raises money for the Ron Cope Scholarship Fund, which benefits a deserving young player to further his or her jazz aspirations. The fund is named for the late pianist and founder of the Hot Tomatoes, Ron Cope. Ron was part of a Downbeat award winning Traditional Jazz Band at the University of Colorado – Denver, the Claim Jumpers. This group toured the country appearing on television and radio programs along with performing at traditional jazz festivals. The Denver Jazz Club is happy to continue this tradition each year with one of Denver's most popular bands and one of the country's best student bands – **ALL DONATING THEIR PERFORMANCE!** Thank you very much!

## ***We need your help!***

Many of the funds raised at this Rent Party are through raffle ticket sales, and we are looking for more raffle items. Please ask a merchant you do business with to contribute something – a gift certificate, a car detail, a perm or haircut, theatre tickets, or what-have-you. All proceeds go to an outstanding young jazz player. Please help make this a big success!

## Jeremy Mohney and his Band

Sunday, March 17



With infectious energy, Jeremy Mohney and his Band, from Boulder and Denver, Colorado, create swing music with a feel that can't be reproduced by many alive, making him leader of one of Colorado's most popular swing bands today.

Jeremy faithfully plays the music of the 1920s, 30s and 40s with his own refreshing take, adding original music deeply rooted in the style.

### Where, when, how much:

- Denver Jazz Club, 2:00-5:00 PM Sunday, March 17
- Westminster Elks Club, 3850 Elk Drive
- Admission is \$10 for members of any jazz club, \$12 for non-members, age 12 and younger free.

### Amenities:

- Cabaret-style seating, dance floor, cash bar.
- The UCD Claim Jumpers play between sets.

## Hot Tomatoes Dance Orchestra

Sunday, April 21



The Hot Tomatoes Dance Orchestra was formed in 1982 by former leader and founder, Ron Cope. Ron was part of a

Downbeat award-winning Traditional Jazz Band at the University Of Colorado – Denver. This group toured the country appearing on television and radio programs along with performing at traditional jazz festivals.

The Hot Tomatoes has become a Swing-Era band performing numbers from Benny Goodman, Count Basie, Glenn Miller, Duke Ellington and many others.

### Where, when, how much:

- Denver Jazz Club, 2:00-5:00 PM Sunday, April 21
- Westminster Elks Club, 3850 Elk Drive
- Admission is \$10 for members of any jazz club, \$12 for non-members, age 12 and younger free.

### Amenities:

- Cabaret-style seating, dance floor, cash bar.
- The UCD Claim Jumpers play between sets.

## Local Band Appearances

*It's always a good idea to check the band website – or the venue's website – to update scheduled appearances.*

### After Midnight

[aftermidnightjazzband.com](http://aftermidnightjazzband.com)

Sunday, March 3 6:00 PM - Dazzle at the Arts Complex, 1080 14th Street, Denver

### Hot Tomatoes Dance Orchestra

[hottomatoes.com](http://hottomatoes.com)

Sunday, March 31 8:00 PM – Mercury Café, 2199 California St., Denver

Sunday, April 21 2:00 PM – Denver Jazz Club, Westminster Elks Lodge, Westminster

### Jeremy Mohney and his Band

[www.espressoswing.com](http://www.espressoswing.com)

Saturday, March 2 8:00 PM - Boulder Swing Dance, Avalon Ballroom, 6185 Arapahoe Rd

Friday, March 8 6:00 PM - La Caverne, Union Station, 1701 Wynkoop, Denver

Friday, March 15 9:00 PM - Mountain Sun Brewery, 1535 Pearl St, Boulder

Friday, March 22 6:00 PM - La Caverne, Union Station, 1701 Wynkoop, Denver

Sunday, March 24 8:00 PM - Mercury Cafe, 2199 California, Denver

Saturday, March 30 9:30 PM - License No. 1, Hotel Boulderado, 2115 13th St, Boulder

### Poudre River Irregulars

[www.prijb.com](http://www.prijb.com)

Every First Friday\* 4:00 PM – Avogadro's Number, 605 S. Mason, Ft. Collins

### Queen City Jazz Band

[www.queencityjazzband.com](http://www.queencityjazzband.com)

Sunday, March 10 8:00 PM - Mercury Cafe, 2199 California St, Denver CO

Saturday, March 23 4:00 PM – El Rancho, 29260 US-40, Evergreen

Sunday, March 31 10:15 AM - Easter at Althea Center, 1400 Williams St. Denver

Sunday, April 14 8:00 PM - Mercury Cafe, 2199 California St, Denver

Saturday, April 27 4:00 PM – El Rancho, 29260 US-40, Evergreen

**Of special interest:** The UCD Claim Jumpers will welcome **Dennis Lichtman** and **Jerron "Blind Boy" Paxton** to the King Center Recital Hall on the Auraria Campus at 7:00 PM on Thursday, March 7. The concert is free, but reservations are required. There will be free parking in the 7th Street Garage, next door to the King Center. Funded by the Bartmann Visiting Artist Fund through the CU Foundation. For information and reservations, email [robert.staffeldt@ucdenver.edu](mailto:robert.staffeldt@ucdenver.edu).

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- Are you a musician?  Yes  No
- Individual \$25/year  Student \$15/year
- Musician \$20/year  Family \$35/year
- Patron \$85/year (get 2 free passes!)

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## Other Jazz Clubs

### **Northern Colorado Traditional Jazz Society**

The Northern Colorado Traditional Jazz Society presents the **Poudre River Irregulars**, the first Friday of the month, at Avogadro's Number, 605 S. Mason St, Fort Collins. Performances begin at 4:00 PM. Admission is \$15 per person. It's advisable to make reservations on the website [avogadros.com](http://avogadros.com).

### **Boulder Friends of Jazz**

Boulder Friends of Jazz holds a jam session from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM every first Sunday at the Avalon Ballroom, 6185 Arapahoe Road, in Boulder. Admission is \$8:00 for members, \$10.00 for non-members.

## **Volunteers needed!**

**We particularly need volunteers to work the door at the Elks Lodge on our meeting days!**

You'd spend an hour or so at the door, then join your friends at a table and enjoy the music.

If you would be interested in volunteering to do that or in another capacity, please contact any of the club officers and let them know your interests, skills and talents.

**There is also a vacancy on the Board of Directors. If you'd be interested in serving, please contact one of the current board members! And THANK YOU!**