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Happy New Year -- here's to a Jazzy 2023!

We hope you'll join us at our monthly jazz club performances featuring some of the best jazz players on the Colorado Front Range! We're planning swinging Sunday afternoons all year!

Crystal Swing Band

Sunday, January 15



The music of the Crystal Swing Band recalls the heyday of the swing era when couples danced on ballroom floors all over the country to the music of the big bands: Glenn Miller, Benny Goodman, Duke Ellington, Count

Basie, Harry James and others. Pleasing audiences since 1988, the band has been featured at the Avalon Ballroom, Cherry Creek Arts Festival, Louisville Fourth of July, Boulder County Fair and the Longmont Jazz Festival, as well as numerous private events.

Band members include **Kristin Anderson-Bohan**, drums, leader; **Jenny Schulte**, bass; **Eric Leonard**, piano; **Chaz Bowles**, trumpet; **Rex Spease**, alto sax; and **Eric McGregor**, tenor sax.

Where, when, how much:

- Denver Jazz Club, 1:00-5:00 PM Sunday, January 15
- Westminster Elks Club, 3850 Elk Drive
- Admission is \$10 for members of any jazz club, \$12 for anyone who isn't a jazz club member, free for age 12 and younger.

Amenities:

- Cabaret-style seating, dance floor, cash bar.
- Denver Jazz Club Youth All-Stars perform between sets.
- The UCD Claim Jumpers will open the afternoon at 1:00 PM.

Mardi Gras with The Queen City Jazz Band

Sunday, February 19



Mardi Gras occurs on February 21 this year, just three days after our February session. Get into the spirit of the celebration with leader **Bill**

Clark, tuba; **Kevin Bollinger**, trumpet; **John Bredenberg**, clarinet; **Eric Staffeldt**, trombone; **Hank Troy**, piano; **Rory Thomas**, banjo; **Tony Pantelis**, drums, and vocalist **Wende Harston** at the February Denver Jazz Club session!

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California here we come!

The Denver Jazz Club Youth All-Stars have been selected to perform at the **Sounds of Mardi Gras Jazz Festival** in Fresno, California, February 10th-12th! Joining our youth band, will be: Holland-Coots Jazz Quintet, Tom Rigney and Flambeau, Gator Nation, Bob Schultz Frisco Jazz Band, CJ and the Jazz Jammers, and Yosemite Jazz Band, among others. Along with performance sets, we'll be participating in parades and swing dance parties at the festival. What an incredible experience this will be for our DJC Youth All-Stars!

After Fresno, our next tour will be to New York City in July of 2023!



2022-23 DJC Youth All-Stars

Clarinet: **Joanna Toy**, senior, Golden High School; Tenor Sax: **Lena Musson**, junior, Chatfield High School; Trombone: **Noah Kangley**, junior, Castle View High School; Banjo: **Joey Crooks**, senior, East High School; Piano: **Sebastian Maa**, freshman, Denver School of the Arts; Bass: **Caedon Hynum**, sophomore, Lutheran High School; Drums: **Bennett Miller**, senior, East High School

WE CONTINUE TO NEED YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!

Please go to: <http://youthallstars.denverjazzclub.com/donate/> to make a donation or purchase any of our 13 CDs!

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!

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

We also accept donations through Square - email ecan11@me.com; Cc: cash@square.com; Subject: \$ [amount]; Send!

High School TRUMPET PLAYER NEEDED -

The Denver Jazz Club Youth All-Stars are continuing to look for a high school trumpet player. Must be COVID-19 fully vaccinated with booster, or scheduled to be COVID-19 fully vaccinated with booster.

The audition music and recording are available by emailing Ed Cannava, Director, at ecan11@msn.com.

Auditions will take place at Denver Percussion (7399 S. Tucson Way, Centennial), on Sundays.

Some jazz experience is preferred, but not necessary. No performances or rehearsals conflict with school activities.

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

aftermidnightjazzband.com

Thursday, February 2 6:30 PM - Highlands Ranch Community Association Winter Cultural Series,
Cherry Hills Community Church 3900 Grace Blvd, Highlands Ranch

Denver Jazz Club Youth All-Stars

www.youthallstars.denverjazzclub.com

Sunday, January 15 Between sets by the Crystal Swing Band, Denver Jazz Club, Westminster Elks Club, 3850 Elk Dr.
Friday-Sunday, Feb. 10-12 Sounds of Mardi Gras Jazz Festival, DoubleTree by Hilton, Fresno, California
Sunday, February 19 Between sets by the Queen City Jazz Band, Denver Jazz Club, Westminster Elks Club, 3850 Elk Dr.

Poudre River Irregulars

www.prijb.com

Fridays, Jan. 6 & Feb. 3 4:00 PM – Avogadro's Number, 605 S. Mason St., Fort Collins

Queen City Jazz Band

www.queencityjazzband.com

Sunday, January 8 9:45 AM – Gospel Service, Atonement Lutheran Church, 6281 W Yale Ave., Lakewood
Sunday, Jan. 8 & Feb. 12 8:00 PM – Mercury Cafe, 22nd and California, Denver
Sunday, February 19 2:00 PM - Denver Jazz Club, Westminster Elks Club, 2850 Elk Dr.
Tuesday, February 21 7:00 PM - Mardi Gras Celebration, Shepherd of the Hills Presbyterian, 11500 W 20th Ave, Lakewood

Remembering Dan Simons and Jim Borzým

As many of you will have heard, our Denver Jazz Club board president, Dan Simons, passed away shortly before the Christmas holiday. The cause was complications arising from an infection, coupled with a stroke. Dan had been on the board of directors for the Evergreen Jazz Festival, and was a longtime volunteer for the festival. Among many accomplishments on behalf of the festival, he was responsible for configuring the parking lot at the Evergreen Elks Lodge to accommodate as many vehicles as possible. He had been an engineer at Coors, and was a lifelong jazz enthusiast. A memorial will be planned for later in the year, in warmer weather, and we hope to have more information as the time approaches. Dan was 79 years old. Our sincere condolences to his wife Sandi and his family members. He will certainly be missed.



Our dance enthusiasts will be saddened to learn that Jim Borzým, who organized dances at the Avalon Ballroom in Boulder and was well-known to a lot of bands and dancers, passed away December 14. He had been in ill health due to liver disease. The dance community is saddened by his passing but will work to keep his dance events going, including the New Year's Eve dance at the Avalon with After Midnight. The Wednesday dance events have been transferred to other parties to continue to operate, and Denver Jazz Club member Kurt Reisser acts as DJ once a month for those dances.

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Denver Jazz Club officers and board members

The Denver Jazz Club Board has a vacancy at this time. If you can make most of our monthly Denver Jazz Club Sessions and monthly Board Meetings, and would like to get more involved in our association, please let Paul Chamberlin know (303-237-4619, Chamberln2@aol.com).

Board Officers:

- Kevin Bollinger, Vice President, 303-885-9665
- Paul Chamberlin, Secretary, 303-237-4619
- Dottie Sobott, Treasurer, 303-430-5606
- Kristi Flesher, Corresponding Secretary, 303-748-9498

Board members:

- Ed Cannava, 303-328-7277
- Eric Staffeldt, 303-394-4552
- Nona Chamberlin, 303-237-4619
- John Sobott, 303-430-5606

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Denver Jazz Club Membership Application

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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.

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.

Pikes Peak Jazz and Swing Society

No information is currently available for the Pikes Peak Jazz and Swing Society.

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