

Jacksonville Jazz Society

November 2019 - "Keeping Jazz Alive"

Message From Our President **Jackie Valentine**

Good Day Jazz Lovers and Happy Thanksgiving!:

As this month comes to an end, let us take time to reflect on the things which we're most thankful. For me, it's all of you. Thank you for all you do to sustain this organization and helping us to fulfill our mission of "Keeping Jazz Alive in Jacksonville." Thank you, most of all, for volunteering your time, your talents and your homes.

As a token of our appreciation, The JJS Board will host its annual Holiday Appreciation Brunch on Sunday, December 8th, at the Casa Marina from 11:00 am – 1:30 pm. The brunch is free for all members who have been active for one full year. You may bring guests, however, they will be responsible for covering their own expenses. We are encouraging all members to attend and bring a wrapped gift for our white elephant gift exchange. Please refer to your email, from the secretary, for more details.

The JJS Game Night will be held on Saturday, December 14th, from 4:00 pm- 9:00 pm at Ms. Deborah Melvin's home. Tickets are \$10 per person while they last. In addition to games, food, and fun, we will also have a guest comedian but the night would not be complete without you. For more ticket information, you may contact Perry Robinson or Deborah Melvin. Again, for more details about Game Night, refer to your email. Until we meet again, be blessed!

"Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is a success."

~Henry Ford

J. Valentine, BSN, RN
Jacksonville Jazz Society, President





JJS Education Committee

Stan Skinner conducted another inspiring Jazz education at our last meeting. Many thought Stan was giving an insight into his musical background, but instead, he was describing the many talents of Jazz legend **Dexter Gordon**. We are blessed to have Stan as part of the JJS and the Education Committee. Let's see what Stan has in store for us in January.

Here are some additional historic Dexter Gordon facts:

- Dexter Gordon stood at 6' 5" and was known as the "Sophisticated Giant".
- He was the Godfather of Lars Ulrich who became the drummer of the world-famous heavy metal band Metallica.
- Gordon was survived by his widow Maxine Gordon and her son Woody Louis Armstrong Shaw III.



JJS Game Night

WHEN: DEC 14, 2019
TIME: 4:00PM-9:00PM
AT THE HOME OF JJS MEMBER DEBORAH MELVIN
660 WELLHOUSE DR
JACKSONVILLE, FL 32220



ADMISSION- \$10.00 pp

TICKET ARE GOING FAST!!!

PLEASE CONTACT LELE MENDEZ 904-450-2899 to get your tickets.

BRING YOUR CHANGE PURSE AND YOUR WALLETS

CHANCE AUCTION & JJS GIVE AWAY!

WE WILL ALSO BE ENTERTAINED BY OUR VERY OWN

DJ ROBERT & A GUEST COMEDIAN.

This is a Pot-Luck event, so please bring enough to share.



JJS Who's Who



Meet Sharon Annette Pierce-Perrault

Sharon Annette Pierce-Perrault is born April 21 hails from New Orleans, Louisiana. She became a JJS member in November 2018. Sharon joined JJS because she says, "I Love-Love Jazz". Her favorite musicians are David Brubeck, Ella Fitzgerald, Harry Connick Jr, Dianne Reeves, and Paul Taylor. Sharon majored in Music Education at Loyola University in New Orleans and plays the flute. She retired from the US Army. Sharon's message to us all is, "One must learn how to follow before they can lead."



Dianne Smith

Meet Floyd Simmons

Floyd Simmons, a native New Yorker was born March 12. He moved to Jacksonville after a short stint in Richmond, Va. and soon became a JJS member in March 2017. Floyd became a member to learn more about Jazz. His favorite jazz artist is Miles Davis. Floyd is a Martial Arts Instructor and a Mentor to Young Men. He also teaches Women's Self Defense. Floyd lives his message, "Each One Teach One".



Contact Dianne Smith (dkster9@gmail.com) to fill out and submit your "Who's Who" form!



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The Smooth Jazz Cruise 2020

Information is finally available for **The Smooth Jazz Cruise 2020**. Outside of the **Dave Koz** branded cruises, this is the most popular vacation cruise out there. They bill themselves **The Greatest Party At Sea** for a reason!

There will be two sailings for 2020. They are January 18-25 and March 14-21.

- **Marcus Miller**
- **Brian Culbertson**
- **Boney James**
- **Randy Crawford**
- **Richard Elliot**
- **Peter White**
- **Jeff Lorber**
- **Damien Escobar**
- **Keiko Matsui**
- **Vincent Ingala**
- **Candy Dulfer**
- **Jonathan Butler**
- **Rick Braun**
- **Patches Stewart**
- **Chance Howard**
- **Eric Marienthal**
- **Paul Jackson, Jr**
- **Everette Harp**
- **Brian Simpson**
- **DW3**

<https://thejazzworld.com/the-smooth-jazz-cruise-2020/>



JJS Out and About

Karen McClain **"JJS Jet Setter"**

Karen has been on a terrific journey that has taken her to Hawaii, Tahiti and Fiji Islands. During her cruise, she was entertained by a Jazz band from Ukraine. Safe travels Karen, see you soon.



Madam President Jackie Valentine celebrated her birthday in fine form recently. She was all over the place with family and friends. Happy Birthday Jackie from JJS, We Love You!

JJS in the House!

Here's more from the JJS Listening Party



Please share your adventures with your fellow JJS members. Just send a brief story of your travels or events (along with a photo) to ear.on.jazz@gmail.com. Place "Out and About" in the subject line. Thank you

Na'im Rashid
**"Extensions
of Congo Square"**

Friday Afternoons

3pm - 5pm

WFCF-FM 88.5

[https://www.iheart.com/live/
wfcf-88five-fm-5246/](https://www.iheart.com/live/wfcf-88five-fm-5246/)



Jax Jazz Coming Attractions

Tuesday, Dec. 10th - Vincent Ingala
Ponte Vedra Concert Hall



**Friday, Dec. 13th
7:30pm**



**NOEL
FREIDLINE
& FRIENDS**
JAZZ series

Ritz Theater
829 North Davis St.
904-807-2010

Thursday, Dec. 5th

**Dave Koz & Friends
Christmas Tour 2019**





Tuesday, December 10th

**A Peter White Christmas
with Euge Groove, Vincent Ingala & Lindsey Webster**

***Join the Northeast Florida Jazz Association
for a Special Jazz Listening Party***

Live jazz by the Kenny McKenzie Quartet



***Refreshments
Beverages***

***At a lovely private home in the "Sanctuary"
in Palm Coast.***

Saturday, December 7th, 3 pm – 5 pm

\$20 per person

***Limited seating. Make your reservations early
by calling Muriel McCoy at 386-445-1329 or Mary McCrohan at 386-445-5125 before December 1st.***

Don't miss out on an enjoyable afternoon of listening to the music we love, JAZZ.

*Make plans now for the Valentine's Day Party at Pine Lakes featuring
Lawrence Buckner "Special Edition" Sunday, Feb. 10th*

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<https://www.jazzonthetube.com/>



REMINDER

It's Time To Pay Your Dues!
CONTACT OUR TREASURER AVA SIMMONS
347-452-3999



19 W. Adams St.

Closed Monday 11/25 - Thursday 11/28
Friday, Nov. 29th - Robert Berry Quartet
Saturday, Nov. 30th - Grammy Winner
Saunders Sermon Trombonist

Reservations - 904-204-JAZZ

JJS Next meeting:

Saturday

January 11th

11:30 am

Wells Fargo Bank

1601 North Main Street

Jacksonville, FL

(parking in the rear)



JACKSONVILLE JAZZ SOCIETY MEMBERS YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED

2019 JJS HOLIDAY APPRECIATION BRUNCH



DECEMBER 8, 2019

CASA MARINA RESTAURANT

691 1st St. North Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250

11:00 AM.-1:30 PM

JJS Gift exchange - THE WHITE ELEPHANT!

(please call if you need more information about the gift exchange)

All members that are interested in participating must bring an unmarked wrapped gift. Suggested gift cost maximum is **\$15.00**

Rules –

1. Each participant is given a card.
2. When your card is called you open a wrapped gift **OR** you help yourself to a gift that has been opened by another member, at that point your turn ends.
3. The member that had the gift confiscated has the choice of selecting an unopened gift or confiscating an opened gift from someone else.
4. This will continue to all gifts have been unwrapped.

GIFTS CAN ONLY BE CONFISCATED TWICE

Reminders

If you have not been an active member for 1 year, you will have to cover your own brunch, but we got you next year!

We are excited to have guests fellowship with us, please remember all non-JJS members must cover their own brunch.

It's suggested that you arrive early to find parking.

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