

STEPPING OUT *with Winnipeg's premier jazz series*

IZZY ASPER
JAZZ
Performances



2019-2020 SEASON STEVE WILSON QUARTET SEP 14, 2019 | IGNACIO BERROA TRIO OCT 19, 2019 | DUCHESS NOV 30 & DEC 1, 2019
EMMET COHEN TRIO MAR 14 & 15, 2020 | JOE LOCKE QUARTET MAY 2 & 3, 2020 | www.izzyasperjazz.com

Soulful Saxophone

STEVE WILSON QUARTET

SEP 14, 2019
3:00 PM & 8:00 PM

Centre culturel franco-manitobain (CCFM),
Salle Pauline-Boutal, 340 Provencher Blvd.



"among the best New York jazz has to offer" *New York Times*

When saxophonist STEVE WILSON headed to New York as a young musician, he didn't know that within 10 years he'd be the subject of a *New York Times* feature, "A Sideman's Life." At current count, he has contributed his distinctive sound and consummate musicianship to well over 100 recordings by leading jazz artists—including at least half a dozen Grammy winners. He has also released a dozen critically-acclaimed recordings as a leader.

Wilson's projects include a cutting-edge quartet, two dynamic duos, and an elegant trio. In 2011, he celebrated his 50th birthday with a six-night engagement at NYC's Jazz Standard, featuring five different all-star bands.

We're thrilled to kick off our season with the Steve Wilson Quartet!

Straight Ahead from Havana

IGNACIO BERROA TRIO

OCT 19, 2019
3:00 PM & 8:00 PM

Centre culturel franco-manitobain (CCFM),
Salle Pauline-Boutal, 340 Provencher Blvd.



"one is witness to what can only be described as a performance of silken power" *Latin Jazz Network*

Cuban-born IGNACIO BERROA is one of the most versatile and highly respected drummers in jazz. He was in his early twenties in 1980 when he came to New York from Cuba, and within a year had been invited to join Dizzy Gillespie's band.

Dizzy famously tagged Berroa as "the only Latin drummer in the world in the history of American music that intimately knows both worlds: his native Afro-Cuban music as well as Jazz..." His trio's most recent recording, *Straight Ahead from Havana*, gives full play to that extraordinary versatility.

Don't miss the cross-cultural fire and grace of the Ignacio Berroa Trio!

Vibrant Vintage Vocals with

DUCHESS

NOV 30, 2019
8:00 PM

DEC 1, 2019
2:00 PM & 7:30 PM

Berney Theatre, Rady JCC,
123 Doncaster



"DUCHESS...is a serious musical force, but it makes some seriously friendly music." *All About Jazz*

Sure-footed swing, sweet-toned harmony, and ever-insouciant charm are embodied in the jazz vocal trio DUCHESS, featuring notable New York singers Amy Cervini, Hilary Gardner, and Melissa Stylianou. They released their eponymous debut recording in 2015, channeling the 1930s inspiration of the virtuosic Boswell sisters. Their 2017 follow-up, *Laughing at Life*, garnered rave reviews, prompting *Downbeat Magazine* to declare, "For a good time, call Duchess." Last year, they released their critically-acclaimed *Harmony for the Holidays*.

Blending the classic and the contemporary, the trio has performed at major festivals and esteemed jazz clubs throughout the United States, Canada, and Israel, rightly earning a reputation for beautiful singing and big fun.

Get ready for beautiful harmonies, delightful chatter, and rich nostalgia with Duchess!

Keys on Fire

EMMET COHEN TRIO

MAR 14, 2020
8:00 PM

MAR 15, 2020
2:00 PM & 7:30 PM

Berney Theatre, Rady JCC,
123 Doncaster



"Cohen is a young piano virtuoso with a delicate touch, assured, swaggering swing feel, and debonair flow" *New York Times*

Winner of the American Jazz Pianist Competition and finalist in the Thelonious Monk International Piano Competition, EMMET COHEN is quickly forging a name for himself as a leader and composer.

For Cohen, jazz is "about communicating the deepest levels of humanity and individuality; it's essentially about connections." Whether he's playing standards or new work, his sparkling technique and quicksilver ideas have a contemporary energy, but are deeply rooted in his respect for the jazz tradition. One of his current recording projects is the Masters Legacy Series; the first two volumes, featuring drummer Jimmy Cobb and bassist Ron Carter, have set a high bar with critics and listeners.

Don't miss this talented young trio!

World Class Vibes

JOE LOCKE QUARTET

MAY 2, 2020
8:00 PM

MAY 3, 2020
2:00 PM & 7:30 PM

Berney Theatre, Rady JCC,
123 Doncaster



"Charismatically skilful" *The Guardian*

We close our season with vibraphonist JOE LOCKE, "one of the world's most versatile vibes masters" (*Hot House*). Five-time recipient of the Jazz Journalists Association's Mallet Instrumentalist of the Year award, and leader on more than 30 recordings, Locke brings intensity, subtlety, and intelligence to everything he plays.

Fostered by vibes master Bobby Hutchison, Locke's expressive musicality is equally at home with elegant jazz standards and edgy new work reflecting tough social realities. He is making his mark not only as a world-class instrumentalist, but "as a unique and adventurous musical voice" (*San Francisco Bay Journal*).

Be part of a Winnipeg welcome for the Joe Locke Quartet!

IZZY ASPER
JAZZ
Performances

2019-2020 SEASON

Subscription Packages

QUINTET (5 concerts)
Subscriber: \$183
(One Subscription)

Supporter: \$370
(One Subscription + \$187 tax receipt)

Patron: \$737
(One Subscription + \$554 tax receipt)

Benefactor: \$1,832
(Two Subscriptions + \$1,466 tax receipt)

Student Subscription: \$90

QUARTET (4 concerts)
Subscriber: \$165
(One subscription)

Supporter: \$328
(One subscription + \$163 tax receipt)

Patron: \$660
(One subscription + \$495 tax receipt)

Benefactor: \$1,586
(Two subscriptions + \$1,256 tax receipt)

Student Subscription: \$83

SINGLE TICKET PRICES Adult: \$42 Student: \$20

IZZY ASPER
JAZZ
Performances

Izzy Asper Jazz Performances
Rady Jewish Community Centre
B100-123 Doncaster Street
Winnipeg, MB R3N 2B3
www.izzyasperjazz.com

"Jazz washes away the dust of everyday life." Art Blakey

Purchase your SUBSCRIPTION PACKAGE online at: www.izzyasperjazz.com
or contact Debbie Figowy at dfigowy@radyjcc.com or 204-477-7534

Sponsored by

THE ASPER FOUNDATION

in association with

Rady JCC