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## **JAZZ ST. LOUIS ANNOUNCES ITS 27<sup>TH</sup> SEASON, FEATURING MORE THAN 40 ESTEEMED PERFORMERS, FROM SEPTEMBER 2022 - JUNE 2023**

*The season includes jazz greats, St. Louis-based favorites, special holiday performances, the return of the Whitaker Jazz Speaks performance and lecture series, and educational outreach programs.*

ST. LOUIS, June 3, 2022 – [Jazz St. Louis](http://JazzStLouis.org) (JSL) is here to help everyone ‘Feel the Vibe’ with a new season of community events, educational opportunities and of course – world-class live jazz in the intimate Ferring Jazz Bistro at the Harold and Dorothy Steward Center for Jazz. JSL’s thrilling 27<sup>th</sup> season will feature signature can’t-be-missed concerts with greats like Cécile McLorin Salvant & Sullivan Fortner, Samara Joy, and Arturo O’Farrill & the Afro Latin Jazz Ensemble. The club will be swinging with energetic and boundary-defying musicians like the Delvon Lamarr Organ Trio, Etienne Charles’ Creole Christmas, The Baylor Project, and Sean Jones returns with Dizzy Spellz. Jazz fans will be treated to long-awaited debut performances from artists like Nella, Stacey Kent, Linda May Han Oh, and Joel Ross’ Good Vibes.

St. Louis is one of the greatest jazz cities because of its history – and its present. That’s the very reason behind the Spotlight STL concerts. From Dave Grelle’s Playadors to Jahmal Nichols’ Black Frequencies and the new Build A Yes Collective, St. Louis is a city with a soul of jazz.

JSL continues to bolster its Educational Programming by utilizing its connections and the ability to bring top talent to St. Louis. Students of Jazz Academy, JazzU, and in classrooms across the region can engage directly with professional touring artists. Residency artists like Tia Fuller, Mimi Jones, and Matt Wilson will work directly with kids throughout the week before performing public concerts over the weekend.

JSL's Creative Advisor, Keyon Harrold, returns for the second of his three-year engagement graciously supported by the Mellon Foundation. Harrold's impact will be seen in everything from Jazz St. Louis' Artist Residency education program to the Whitaker Jazz Speaks Series. He served as a curatorial partner of the JSL 18-show subscription series. As a thought leader in jazz today, he will provide valuable perspective and guidance in creating a Jazz St. Louis Artist Consortium.

The Whitaker Jazz Speaks Lecture and Performance Series is back, presenting programs that take a deep dive into a historical or social aspect of jazz through various mediums led by a subject expert and include live-music performances. The 2022-23 Season will include four FREE events with speakers like flutist, and lecturer, Oliver Nelson Jr., sharing stories about his father in his 'Nelson on Nelson' program, and Keyon Harrold presenting 'Midwestern Music Matters: Jazz, Blues, and Hip Hop.'

Harrold will take on additional involvement with the St. Louis community as he assumes the role of host for the new season of The Next Set: Live From Jazz St. Louis, heard on Friday and Sunday nights on St. Louis Public Radio. Co-presented with the Cabaret Project of St. Louis, cabaret fans will have six stunning performers in the Contemporary Cabaret Package subscription, including Lillias White, Ali Stroker, Darius de Haas, and perennial favorite Marilyn Maye.

"We look forward to expanding our audience's palate this season, weaving new and exciting artists into the mix with those they have come to know and love. With a plethora of talented St. Louis-based artists in the community, we also hope to shine a brighter light on great musicians who make up the fabric of our society," said Bob Bennett, Artistic Director of Jazz St. Louis

The season kicks off with Eva Noblezada September 14, 2022. Series and Package Subscriptions are available to the public starting at 11:00 AM, June 7, 2022. Single tickets will go on sale August 31. Subscriptions and single tickets are available online at [jazzstl.org](http://jazzstl.org), during box office hours via phone at (314) 571-6000 or in person at The Harold & Dorothy Steward Center for Jazz, located at 3536 Washington Avenue in the Grand Center Arts District. Please visit [jazzstl.org](http://jazzstl.org) for more information. Full season calendar below.

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### **About Jazz St. Louis**

Jazz St. Louis advances the uniquely American art of jazz through performance, education, and community engagement. Each year, this non-profit organization presents over 270 performances in its internationally acclaimed concert series. Jazz St. Louis takes a three-pronged approach to its work: presenting jazz, encouraging and educating future audiences, and nurturing budding musicians. For more information about Jazz St. Louis visit [www.jazzstl.org](http://www.jazzstl.org) or [www.facebook.com/jazzstl](http://www.facebook.com/jazzstl).

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## 2022-23 Concert Calendar

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Eva Noblezada Sep 14 & 15, 2022  
Red & Black Brass Band Sep 16 & 17, 2022  
Regina Carter Sep 21 – 25, 2022  
Build A Yes Collective Sep 28, 2022  
Adaron “Pops” Jackson Sep 29, 2022  
Nella Sep 30 & Oct 1, 2022  
Delvon Lamarr Organ Trio Oct 5 – 9, 2022  
Jahmal Nichols’ Black Frequencies Oct 12, 2022  
Ben Reece’s Unity Quartet Oct 13, 2022  
Stefon Harris & Blackout Oct 19 – 23, 2022  
Antonio Foster Oct 26, 2022  
Back Pocket Oct 27, 2022  
Tia Fuller, Mimi Jones, Matt Wilson Oct 28 & 29, 2022  
John Pizzarelli Nov 2 – 6, 2022  
Marilyn Maye – ALL NEW Big Band Show Nov 9 & 10, 2022  
Dave Grelle’s Playadors Nov 11 & 12, 2022  
Cécile McLorin Salvant & Sullivan Fortner Nov 16 – 20, 2022  
Jeremy Davenport Nov 25 & 26, 2022  
Stacey Kent Nov 30 – Dec 4, 2022  
A Swingin’ Soulful Christmas with Denise Thimes Dec 7 & 8, 2022  
A Very Manley Christmas with Jim Manley’s Mad Brass & Rhythm Dec 9 & 10, 2022  
Etienne Charles Creole Christmas Dec 14 – 18, 2022  
Ellington’s Nutcracker Dec 21 – 23, 2022  
The Bad Plus Jan 4 – 8, 2023  
Sean Jones Dizzy Spellz Feb 1 – 5, 2023  
Jazz at Lincoln Center Group Feb 10 & 11, 2023  
Valentine’s Day with Anita Jackson Feb 14, 2023  
The Baylor Project Feb 15 – 19, 2023  
Bria Skonberg Mar 1 – 5, 2023  
Catherine Russell Mar 15 – 19, 2023  
Lillias White Mar 22 & 23, 2023  
Allison Miller’s Boom Tic Boom Mar 29 – Apr 2, 2023  
Joel Ross’ Good Vibes Apr 12 – 16, 2023  
Keyon Harrold Apr 21 & 22, 2023  
Darius de Haas – Day Dream: Variations on Strayhorn Apr 26 & 27, 2023  
No Tears Project Apr 28 & 29, 2023  
Storm Large May 3 & 4, 2023  
Samara Joy May 10 – 14, 2023  
An Evening with Ali Stroker May 17 & 18, 2023  
Linda May Han Oh May 24 – 28, 2023  
Arturo O’Farrill & the Afro Latin Jazz Ensemble Jun 7 – 11, 2023  
Joey DeFrancesco Jun 21 – 25, 2023