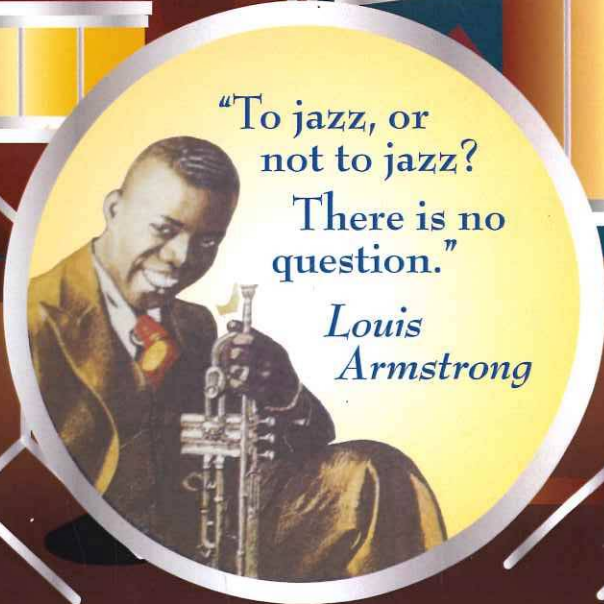
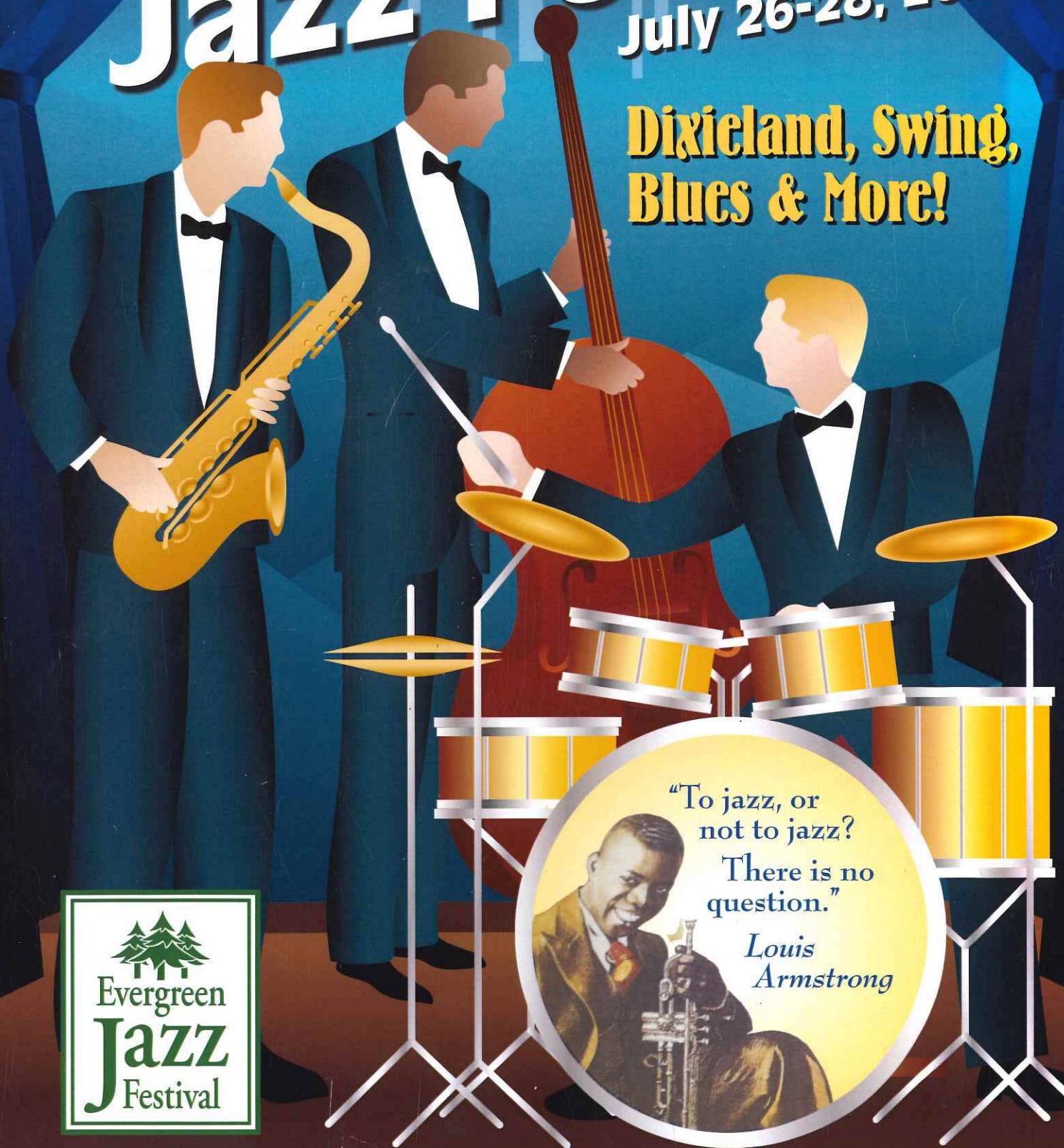


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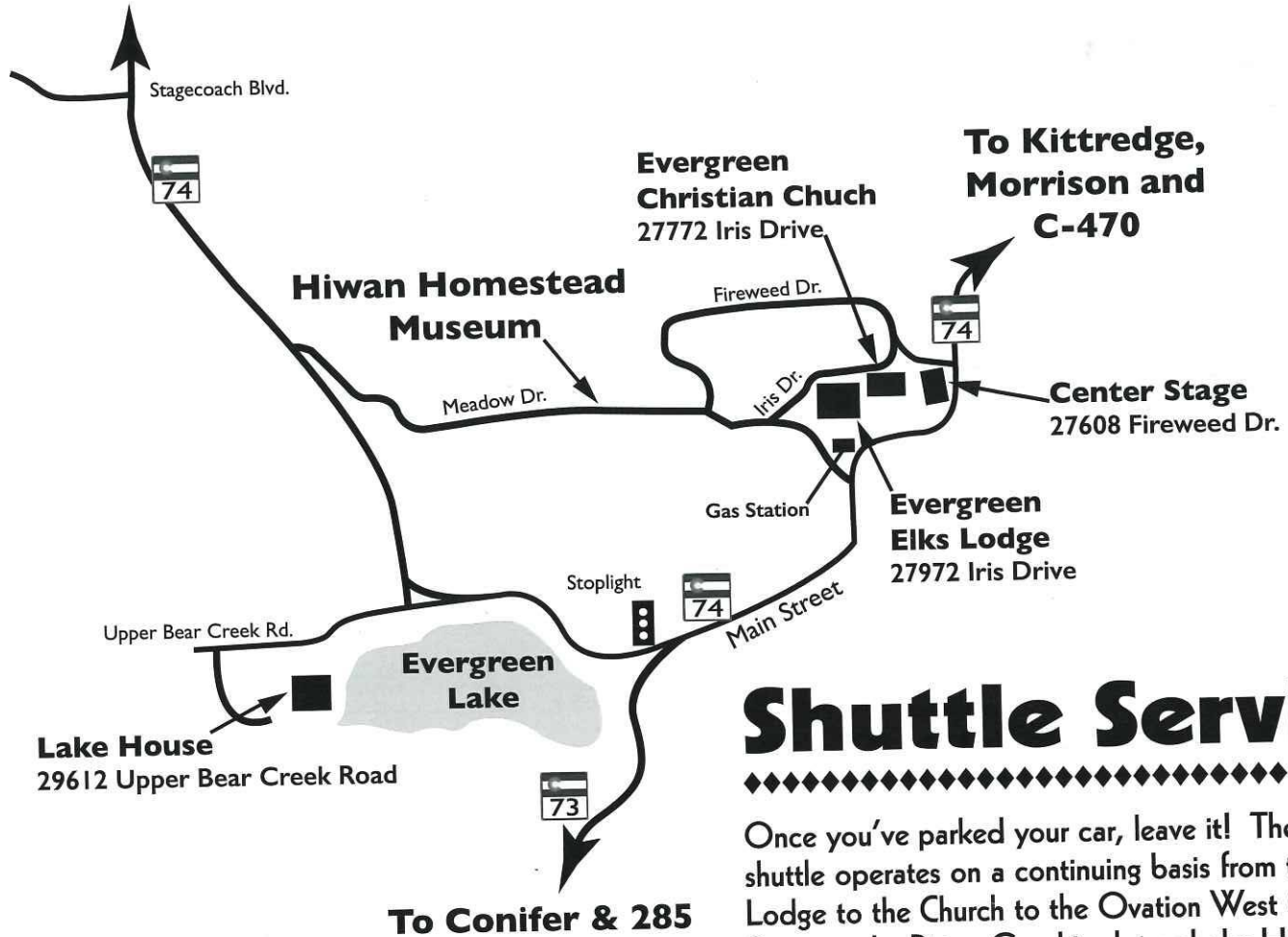
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Friday, July 26, 2024:

Elks Lodge - Evergreen Christian Church - Hiwan Homestead Lot - Rising Graphics lot
1 shuttle running continuously from 2:15 pm until 4:30 pm

Elks Lodge - Evergreen Christian Church - Hiwan Homestead Lot - Rising Graphics - Evergreen Lake House
2 shuttles running continuously from 4:30pm until 11:30 pm

Saturday, July 27, 2024

Elks Lodge - Evergreen Christian Church - Ovation West Center Stage - Hiwan Homestead Lot - Rising Graphics lot
1 shuttle running continuously from 9.45am until 11.30pm

Sunday, July 28, 2024

Elks Lodge - Evergreen Christian Church - Ovation West Center Stage - Hiwan Homestead Lot - Rising Graphics lot
1 shuttle running continuously from 10am until 6:30pm

Timing depends on traffic, passenger load and speed of loading and unloading. Please be patient!

Welcome to the 21st Evergreen Jazz Festival!



Entering the third decade of this annual celebration of America's unique performing art, our theme song might be "There'll Be Some Changes Made." Several longtime key volunteers retired following last year's Festival (see page 28) and several new replacements are now onboard. We also have Center Stage as a new venue. And we welcome three bands making their first Festival appearance: Chicago Cellar Boys, Hal Smith's El Dorado Jazz Band and Jeremy Mohney and His Band.

As you will experience when you hear those three, one thing that hasn't changed is the Festival's ongoing commitment to quality. The lineup features many old favorites including After Midnight, Carl Sonny Leyland Trio, Hot Tomatoes Dance Orchestra, Queen City Jazz Band with Wende Harston and Your Father's Mustache Band with Mary Kelly. Also returning are two newer favorites: Holland-Coots Swingin' West and Espresso! There are also three sets of

Double 88 dueling pianos with Jeff Barnhart, Brian Holland and Sonny Leyland, plus the Evergreen Footwarmers in a one-set jam session. Add two Spotlight On Youth bands, and you have some 80 hours of great jazz to choose from.

Listening and toe-tapping are always top priority, but dancing is also welcome at all venues. Yes, even the Church. In fact, Friday night at the Lake House and Saturday night in the Elks Ballroom are designated as dance nights, and the bands have planned their sets especially for dancing. Several Dance Showcases are scheduled between sets throughout the weekend, and each day begins with a free dance lesson. Check the schedule for details.

Jazz education remains a key element of the Festival Mission Statement. The day-long Student Clinic was held on Thursday, with budding musicians participating in both individual instrument and ensemble instruction provided by Festival musicians. The

Festival launches in the Elks on Friday with a special "Edutainment" presentation by piano great and longtime Festival favorite Jeff Barnhart. Entitled "So You Want to Write Songs? Better Play the Piano!", Jeff develops the idea that nearly every notable composer from 1890-1950 was also a pianist. Jeff will be followed for the second hour by the Student Clinic Instructors Band and a couple of numbers by selected Student Clinic musicians.

As always, special thanks to our wonderful sustaining sponsors highlighted on page 24 and to our many generous

donors listed on page 30. And, of course, none of this could happen without the work, talent and dedication of our 100-plus terrific volunteers recognized on page 30.

Before you head home, please give us your thoughts about the Festival. You'll find Comment Cards in every venue. Tell us what you liked and what we can do better, and turn in your completed card at any venue front desk. The Board of Directors reads every one of them.

We hope you enjoy the weekend and we look forward to seeing you again next year!

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Wendy Potthoff
President



Ed Danielson
Music Director

Goodbye and Thank You!

Following last year's 20th Festival (and in a couple of cases this year's), several longtime, key volunteers decided it was time to retire from their year-round duties and simply enjoy the music. They have all played major roles in the Festival's success and will be missed. When you see them this weekend, a big "thank you" would not be out-of-place.



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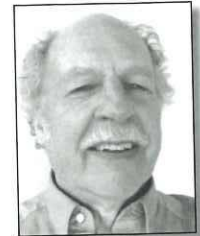
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Bands

After Midnight John & Sue Dunlop, Don & Marty Unger
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Hot Tomatoes Dance Orchestra Jim White in memory of Anne White
Jeremy Mohny and His Band Jeannie Mann
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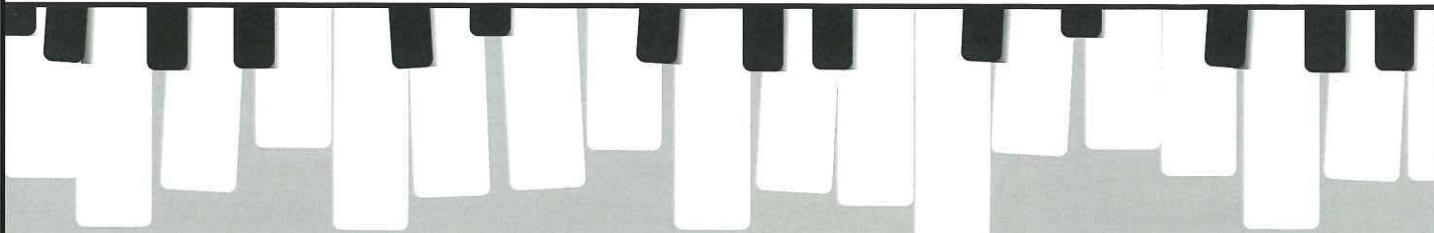
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-  **Sunday Oct. 20th**
Queen City Jazz Band
-  **Sunday Nov. 17th**
Your Father's Mustache Jazz Band.
-  **Sunday Dec. 15th**
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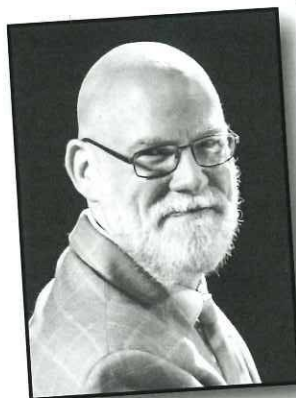
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Brian Holland



Carl Sonny Leyland



Jeff Barnhart

Double 88s

**Brian Holland, Carl Sonny Leyland,
Jeff Barnhart**

In addition to the great bands appearing this year, the Festival will present several sets of dueling pianos featuring the three mega-talents listed above. Each will play at least once with each of the other two in what will likely be some of the most memorable sets of the entire weekend. Three superb musicians and two grand pianos in the acoustically marvelous Church and Center Stage. This is indeed going to be special!

SCHEDULE

Friday	7:30	Church	Barnhart & Holland
Saturday	5:30	Center Stage	Barnhart & Leyland
Sunday	1:30	Center Stage	Leyland & Holland

Evergreen Footwarmers

Back in the Jazz Age, when musicians moved from New Orleans to Chicago they often made recordings with bands created by the studios. A popular name for these impromptu groups was "Footwarmers." Now, 100 years later, we honor that tradition with the Evergreen Footwarmers. Festival Music Director Ed Danielson invited them and they eagerly accepted. They'll be performing in the total tradition of jazz — no arrangements, no rehearsals. Just great musicians creating a great sound and having a great time.

ONE SET ONLY

Friday 6:15 Church

Cornet	Colin Hancock , Hal Smith's El Dorado Jazz Band
Trombone	Eugene LeBeaux Rueff , Your Father's Mustache Band
Reeds	Andrew Vogt , Your Father's Mustache Band
Banjo	Rory Thomas , Queen City Jazz Band
Piano	Jeff Barnhart , Hal Smith's Eldorado Jazz Band
Bass	Marty Eggers , Carl Sonny Leyland Trio
Drums	Hal Smith , Hal Smith's El Dorado Jazz Band

Spotlight on Youth

Part of the Festival's mission is to involve young people in the music and provide opportunities for them to perform. Over the years, we have had many youth bands including several iterations of the Denver Jazz Club Youth All-Stars, the Jazz Cookers and UC-D Claimjumpers. Being comprised of students, it is often difficult to get them together in the summer. This year we are delighted to have two youth bands who could join us. One from New Mexico State University and one from the Douglas County school system. It is reassuring that musicians of this age can demonstrate such a high level of talent and enthusiasm for traditional jazz. The future looks bright!



Colorado Jazz Ambassadors Douglas County, CO

Is it just our imagination, or are more student musicians embracing jazz?

We only discovered this group earlier this year, but it was a wonderful surprise to learn that it was organized and led by nationally known performer, producer and educator Doug Tidaback. The Ambassadors are comprised of music students from throughout the Douglas County School District, and we are pleased to put them in the spotlight.

SCHEDULE

Sunday **10:00** Center Stage
 11:00 Center Stage

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Jazz is a vital component of NMSU Department of Music including two auditioned ensembles and several combos. The ensembles have recently performed in the Roswell Jazz Festival, Reno Jazz Festival, University of Northern Colorado Jazz Festival and have toured Europe. It is a pleasure to add Evergreen to their high-quality, growing resume.



Dr. Jacob Dalager - Assistant
 Professor, trumpet

Alex Barboza - tenor
 saxophone

Jonathan Collins - piano

Caleb Garay - banjo/guitar

Diego Garcia - trumpet

Gabriel Garcia-Rivera -
 drums

Silas Manges - soprano/alto
 saxophone

Nico O'Hara - bass

Steven Rokowski - trumpet

Jacob Torrez - trombone

SCHEDULE

Sunday **3:45** Church

Jazz Education



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Julie Kryshak, Sandi Simons



Student Clinic

An annual highlight of the education program is the Student Clinic, held Thursday of Festival Week. Again this year, budding musicians took advantage of a full day of professional instruction on virtually every instrument plus vocal and ensemble work. Most of the instructors are with bands appearing in the Festival and all are world-class talents, which means students had the opportunity to learn from the best. Students will showcase their skills as part of the Festival Kickoff on Friday.

Friday Kickoff "Edutainment"

This year's Festival launches in the Elks Ballroom at noon on Friday with a special presentation by piano great and longtime Festival favorite Jeff Barnhart. Entitled "So You Want to Write Songs? Better Play the Piano!" Jeff begins with the idea that nearly every notable composer from 1890-1950 was also a pianist. He then takes us from Irving Berlin to Jerome Kern, Richard Rodgers to George Gershwin, Cole Porter and beyond, sharing from a piano player's point of view how their level of training and pianistic virtuosity (or lack thereof) influenced their style of composing and creation.

Jeff will also explore Ragtime and early jazz composers Scott Joplin, Eubie Blake, Jelly Roll Morton, James P. Johnson and Fats Waller, again concentrating on how their pianistic upbringing shaped their "voice" as it were. With Jeff's knowledge, talent and personality, this promises to be a both educational and entertaining experience!

Following Jeff will be the Student Clinic Instructors Band in a jam session that's sure to please both audience and students. Finally, the Student Friday Band will deliver a couple of numbers using the skills they worked on during the Thursday Clinic.



Clinic Faculty

Tuba & Clinic Director - **Bill Clark**, Queen City Jazz Band
Trumpet- **Andy Schumm**, Chicago Cellar Boys
Trombone- **Eric Staffeldt**, Queen City Jazz Band
Reeds - **Justin Rogers**, award-winning Denver-area performer
Guitar - **Mike McCullough**, After Midnight Jazz Band
Piano - **Jeff Barnhart**, Hal Smith's El Dorado Jazz Band
Piano - **Hank Troy**, Queen City Jazz Band
Bass - **Andy Hudson**, Denver Jazz Orchestra
Drums - **Tony Pantelis**, Queen City Jazz Band
Vocal - **Wende Harston**, Queen City Jazz Band

Education/Jazz in Schools

Working with music professors from the University of Colorado Denver, the Education Committee has developed a wide range of assembly programs and music class presentations for metro-Denver elementary, middle and high schools. These events often feature the Queen City Jazz Band with Wende Harston and the Community Minded Dance group.



The response has been truly gratifying:
"We sat with the kindergartners. They loved it!"
"You could hear the children scream when the dancers started."
"This year we had 15 students sign up for band. Last year it was 3."

Mission of the Evergreen Jazz Festival

To enjoy and preserve, through education and live performances, the musical heritage of traditional jazz*, a unique American art form, to be performed by the finest Colorado, national and international musicians in distinctive venues in Evergreen, Colorado.

*Traditional or trad jazz as it's often called, is "hot" jazz, tracing its roots back to ragtime and the hot dance music of the 1920s, 1930s, and early 1940s. Trad jazz includes such forms as ragtime, blues, Dixieland, boogie-woogie, swing and some big band (Duke Ellington and Count Basie, for instance).

Vision Statement

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In Memoriam



Patrick McNulty

Before changing its format in 2016, KEZW was the Denver radio home of traditional jazz, and from

day one the station was a great friend and sponsor of the Festival. Pat was the mid-day host, and his distinctive voice, wit and enthusiasm added much to the music. He produced memorable commercials for the Festival and delivered invaluable on-air support with personal comments and reminders about the event. And he was a regular patron, often in the company of his wife Carol and daughter Emily. He genuinely enjoyed the Festival and loved the music. Thanks for everything, Pat.



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March 2025



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David Arkenstone

The Grammy-nominated artist returns with his ever-popular "A Winter's Eve" concert.

December 6, 2024

Tom's Elton Tribute

Tom Cridland's internationally acclaimed Elton John tribute!

February 8, 2025

John Erlandson and Friends

Evergreen favorite appears with his favorite local musicians.

March 1, 2025

Meet This Year's Poster Artist



Nicholas Bernstein, Evergreen High School

Ever since 2006, the Festival poster has been the result of a contest among Evergreen High School graphic design students taught by Andrew Spears. There are usually dozens of entries, and the range of creativity is always amazing.

This year's was designed by Nicholas Bernstein during his freshman year at EHS. He is the son of nine-year Evergreen residents Joe and Eileen Bernstein. Nicholas says he's not had a great deal of interest in drawing or painting, but he quickly discovered he enjoys digital art. He has

taken guitar lessons for five years but confesses he hasn't yet tried jazz. His other main activities are basketball and hiking, and he has conquered many of Colorado's 14ers.

The finalists in this year's contest are on display in the bar area of the Elks Lodge. Take a moment to enjoy this wonderful array of student talent and artistic expression. Copies of Nicholas's winning poster are available at the Elks Lodge retail table. Just drop a donation of any size into the jar and take home a lasting memento of your 2024 Festival experience.



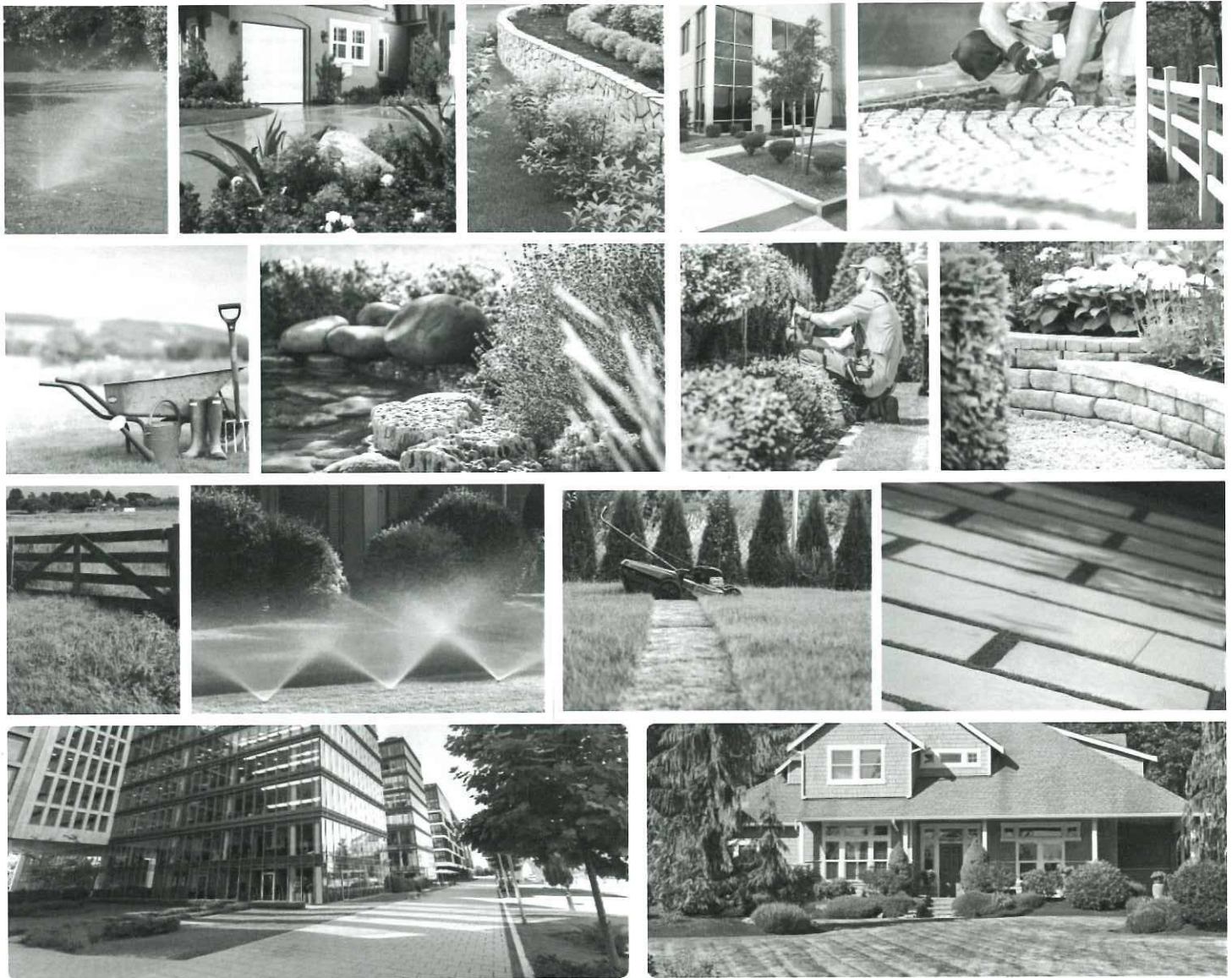
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SCHEDULE

Friday	3:45	Elks Patio
	7:30	Lake House*
Saturday	11:15	Church*
	1:45	Center Stage*
	5:30	Elks Patio*
	8:00	Elks Ballroom*
Sunday	1:30	Elks Patio*
	4:00	Elks Ballroom

*See schedule on pages 16-18 for our Special Theme Sets



Roger Campbell - leader, clarinet
Rick Weingarten - vibraphone, vocals
Mike McCullough - guitar, vocals
Andy Weyl - piano
Dwight Thompson - bass
Jim Moore - drums

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Recipients of SCFD support range from the Denver Symphony and Denver Zoo to the Evergreen Jazz Festival, and all must qualify for a grant each year.

Friday, July 26, 2024

	EVERGREEN ELKS LODGE BALLROOM	EVERGREEN ELKS LODGE PATIO	EVERGREEN CHRISTIAN CHURCH	EVERGREEN LAKE HOUSE
12:00	"Edutainment" Jeff Barnhart			
1:15	Student Clinic Instructor & Student Bands			
2:30	Free Dance Lesson*	Queen City Jazz Band with Wende Harston	Your Father's Mustache Band	
3:45	Hot Tomatoes Dance Orchestra	After Midnight	New Mexico State Universtiy Jazz Ensemble	
5:00	Carl Sonny Leyland Trio	Holland-Coots Swingin' West	Hal Smith's El Dorado Jazz Band	Queen City Jazz Band with Wende Harston
6:00	Dance Showcase*			
6:15	Holland-Coots Swingin' West	Chicago Cellar Boys	Evergreen Footwarmers	Hot Tomatoes Dance Orchestra with Wende Harston "Drop Me Off In Harlem"
7:30	Chicago Cellar Boys	Jeremy Mohney and His Band	Double 88 Barnhart/Holland	DANCE NIGHT After Midnight "Dance Music"
8:30	Dance Showcase*			
8:45	Carl Sonny Leyland Trio	Hal Smith's El Dorado Jazz Band		Your Father's Mustache Band
10:00				Jeremy Mohney and His Band

* See schedule on page 18 for details



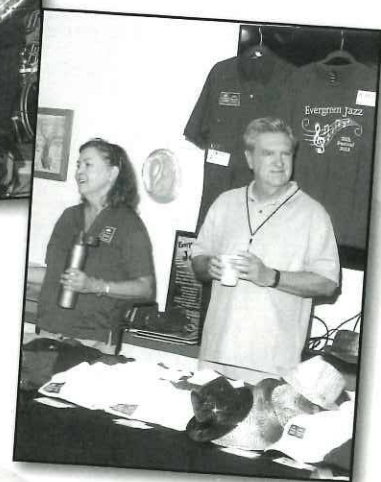
Saturday, July 27, 2024

	EVERGREEN ELKS LODGE BALLROOM	EVERGREEN ELKS LODGE PATIO	EVERGREEN CHRISTIAN CHURCH	CENTER STAGE EVERGREEN
10:00	Free Dance Lesson*			Chicago Cellar Boys
11:15	Queen City Jazz Band with Wende Harston	Hal Smith's El Dorado Jazz Band	After Midnight "Tribute to Nat King Cole"	Your Father's Mustache Band
12:30	Holland-Coots Swingin' West	Carl Sonny Leyland Trio	Chicago Cellar Boys	Espresso!
1:30	Dance Showcase*			
1:45	Your Father's Mustache Band	Something Doin' Big Little Ragtime Band	Hal Smith's El Dorado Jazz Band	After Midnight "Tribute to the Benny Goodman Sextet"
2:45	Dance Showcase*			
3:00	Queen City Jazz Band with Wende Harston	Holland-Coots Swingin' West	Carl Sonny Leyland Trio	Chicago Cellar Boys
4:00	Dance Showcase*			

EVENING SESSION BEGINS

4:15	Carl Sonny Leyland Trio	Hal Smith's El Dorado Jazz Band	Espresso!	Queen City Jazz Band with Wende Harston
5:15	Dance Showcase*			
5:30	Chicago Cellar Boys	After Midnight "Featuring Andy Weyl, Dwight Thompson & Jim Moore"	Holland-Coots Swingin' West	Double 88 Barnhart/Leyland
6:45	Queen City Jazz Band with Wende Harston	Carl Sonny Leyland Trio	Your Father's Mustache Band	Holland-Coots Swingin' West
8:00	DANCE NIGHT After Midnight "Dance Music"	Espresso!	Jeremy Mohney and His Band	Hal Smith's El Dorado Jazz Band
9:15	Your Father's Mustache Band			
10:10	Jeremy Mohney and His Band			

* See schedule on page 18 for details



Sunday, July 28, 2024

	EVERGREEN ELKS LODGE BALLROOM	EVERGREEN ELKS LODGE PATIO	EVERGREEN CHRISTIAN CHURCH	CENTER STAGE EVERGREEN
9:15			Free Gospel Service Queen City Jazz Band with Wende Harston	
10:00	Free Dance Lesson*			Free Event Colorado Jazz Ambassadors
11:00	Holland-Coots Swingin' West	Hal Smith's El Dorado Jazz Band	Espresso!	Free Event Colorado Jazz Ambassadors
12:00	Free Dance Lesson*			
12:15	Carl Sonny Leyland Trio	Chicago Cellar Boys	Your Father's Mustache Band	Queen City Jazz Band with Wende Harston
1:15	Dance Showcase*			
1:30	Hot Tomatoes Dance Orchestra	After Midnight	Hal Smith's El Dorado Jazz Band	Double 88 Leyland/Holland
2:45	Chicago Cellar Boys	Carl Sonny Leyland Trio	Holland-Coots Swingin' West	Espresso!
4:00	After Midnight	Espresso!	Your Father's Mustache Band	
5:15	Hot Tomatoes Dance Orchestra			

* See schedule below for details

DANCE SHOWCASE EVENT SCHEDULE

Friday

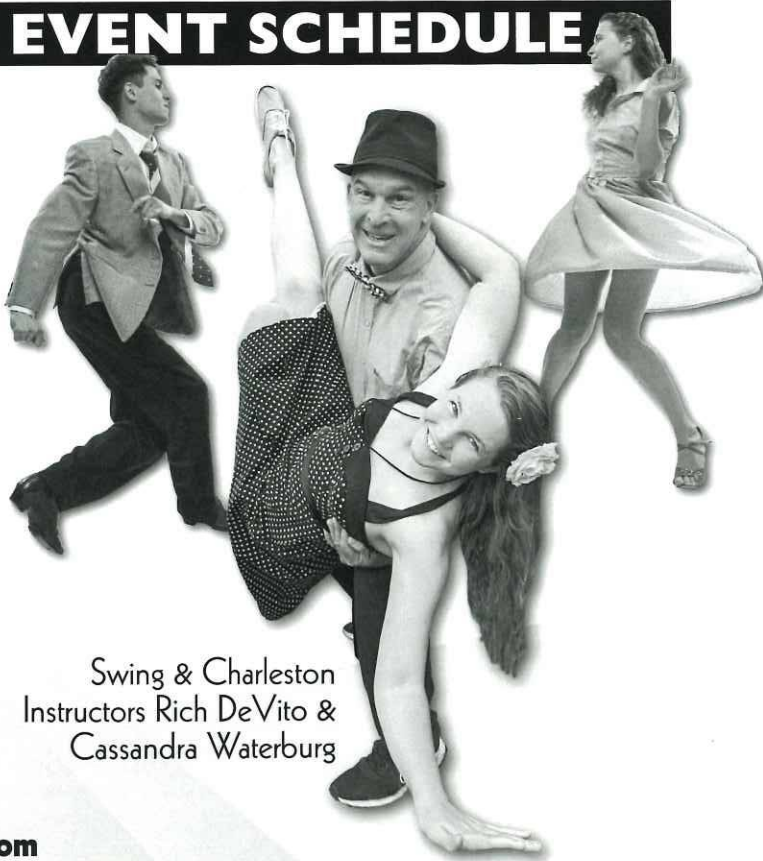
- 2:30** FREE Beginner Swin Dance Lesson (6 Count)
- 6:00** Diamond Dolls Dance Showcase
- 8:30** Diamond Dolls Dance Showcase

Saturday

- 10:00** FREE Lesson - Lindy Hop
- 1:30** Community Minded Dance - Dance Showcase
- 2:45** Community Minded Dance - Dance Showcase
- 3:00** Community Minded Dance - Live Performance
- 4:00** Community Minded Dance - Dance Showcase
- 4:15** Community Minded Dance - Live Performance
- 5:15** Community Minded Dance - Dance Showcase

Sunday

- 10:00** FREE Lesson - Balboa
- 12:00** FREE Lesson - Charleston
- 1:15** Colorado School of Mines Sliderulers -
Dance Showcase



Swing & Charleston
Instructors Rich DeVito &
Cassandra Waterburg

All events listed above take place in the Elks Ballroom

Let's Dance!

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It's been said that when listening to jazz, if your foot isn't tapping, someone should check your pulse.

The logical extension of foot-tapping is, of course, dancing, and that's always been a big part of the Festival. The Elks Lodge Ballroom and Lake House offer the most room, but any open space is fine, including the Church.

Dance Night

Friday night at the Lake House and Saturday night in the Elks Ballroom have been designated as Dance Nights beginning at 7:30 Friday and 8:00 Saturday. You'll be cutting a rug to the great sounds of After Midnight, Jeremy Mohny, Queen City and Your Father's Mustache, and they've all planned their sets especially for dancing.

Dance Showcases

Demonstrations of Jazz Age dances and more are presented between certain sets in the Elks Ballroom. These Dance Showcases feature three talented, entertaining troupes from the Denver area and always add a special flair to the weekend.

All three were so well-received last year that it was an easy decision to invite them back. The high-flying CMDancers bring their special brand of aerial routines, while the Diamond Dolls deliver vintage dances in vintage costumes. And from nearby Colorado School of Mines, the all-student Sliderulers can be expected to show us what the Lindy Hop is all about.

Check the schedule on page 18 for details.

Free Dance Lessons

Each Festival day includes a free dance lesson in the Elks Ballroom. Times are 2:30 Friday and 10:00 Saturday and Sunday. Instructors are all professionals, including Victor and Margaret Ward, making a special trip from Hawaii after many years away from the Festival. A different dance will be taught each day. Check the schedule for details.

Need a Partner?

No need to sit on the sidelines. If you're available to dance, wear one of the strings of red beads found at the front desk in the Elks Lodge and Lake House. No reason to be shy! You can readily see who's looking for a partner, so get paired-up and get after it! Showcase dancers have been known to spot those beads, too, so be ready!

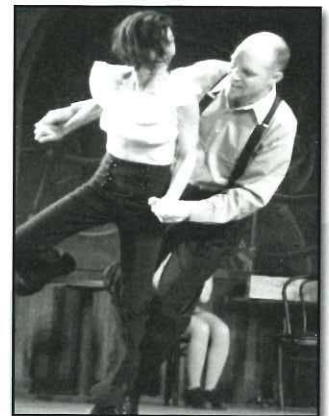
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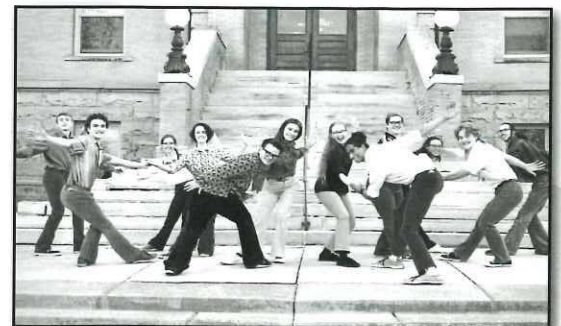
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One of the most popular groups ever to perform in the Festival, this trio always has audiences cheering with its range of boogie-woogie, blues and barrelhouse. Their repertoire goes from familiar to original to total improvisation ("Let's just do something in G") and frequently includes very entertaining lyrics. But how can just three musicians generate so much energy?

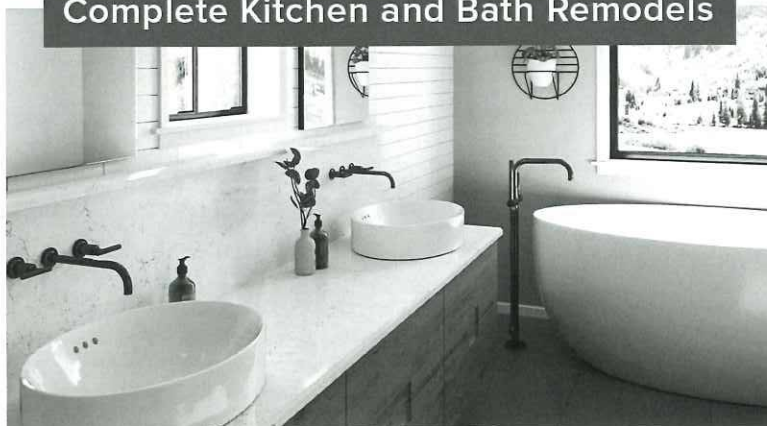
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Sunday	12:15	Elks Ballroom
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SCHEDULE

Friday	6:15	Elks Patio
	7:30	Elks Ballroom
Saturday	10:00	Center Stage
	12:30	Church
	3:00	Center Stage
	5:30	Elks Ballroom
Sunday	12:15	Elks Patio
	2:45	Elks Ballroom

Andy Schumm - leader, cornet, clarinet, alto sax
John Otto - alto sax, clarinet
Natalie Scharf - tenor sax, clarinet

Jim Barrett - tenor banjo, tenor guitar
Paul Asaro - piano, vocals
Dan Anderson - tuba, bass

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SCHEDULE

Saturday	12:30	Center Stage
	4:15	Church
	8:00	Elks Patio
Sunday	11:00	Church
	2:45	Center Stage
	4:00	Elks Patio



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The original El Dorado Jazz Band performed in southern California in the 1960s, delivering a distinctive sound that set the band apart from other traditional jazz groups of the era. The current EDJB, led by jazz historian Hal Smith on washboard (true El Dorado) and featuring Festival favorite Jeff Barnhart on piano and vocals, is sure to replicate that original sound right down to the last note.

SCHEDULE

Friday	5:00	Church
	8:45	Elks Patio
Saturday	11:15	Elks Patio
	1:45	Church
	4:15	Elks Patio
	8:00	Center Stage
Sunday	11:00	Elks Patio
	1:30	Church



Hal Smith - leader, washboard
Colin Hancock - cornet, vocals
Brandon Au - trombone
Andy Schumm - clarinet

Jeff Barnhart - piano, vocals
T.J. Muller - banjo, vocals
Bill Reinhart - bass

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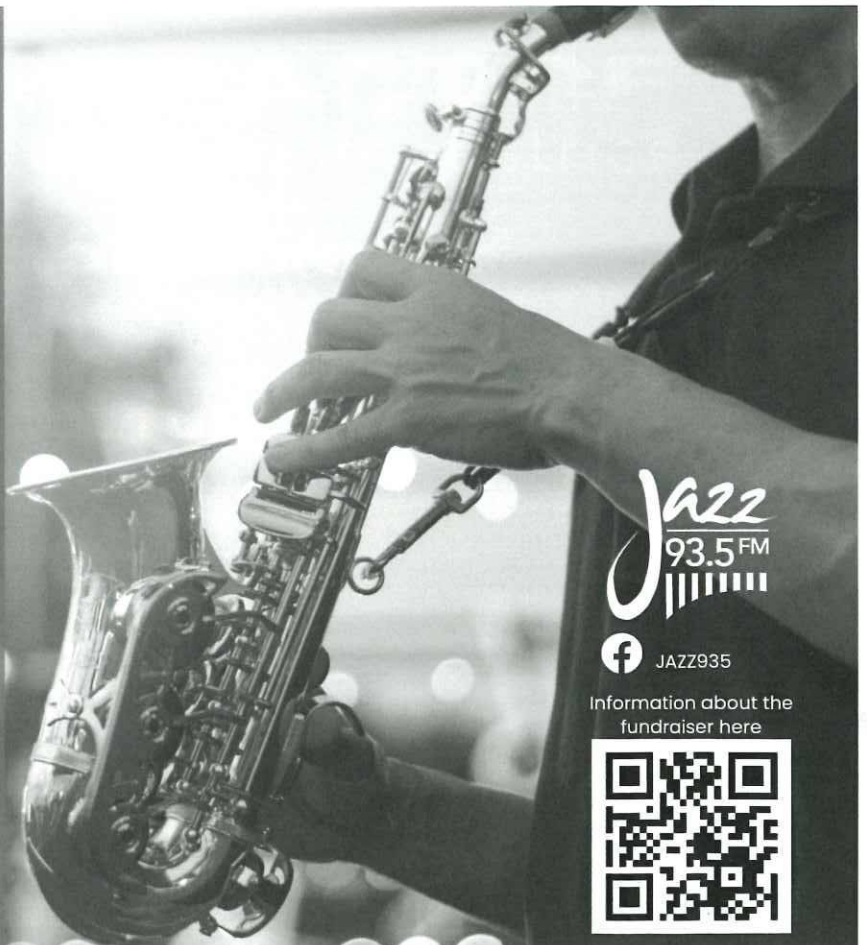
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For the 2022 Festival, Brian Holland and Danny Coots tapped into their enormous hometown talent pool and put together a group providing a special Nashville take on Western Swing. From their opening set, the only question was who was enjoying the music more – band or audience? They're back for 2024, and you can try to answer that question yourself.



SCHEDULE

Friday	5:00	Elks Patio
	6:15	Elks Ballroom
Saturday	12:30	Elks Ballroom
	3:00	Elks Patio
	5:30	Church
	6:45	Center Stage
Sunday	11:00	Elks Ballroom
	2:45	Church

Brian Holland - leader, piano
Danny Coots - leader, drums
Aaron Till - fiddle, vocals
Andy Reiss - guitar
Jeremy Wakefield - steel guitar
Steve Pikal - bass

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Denver

www.hottomatoes.com

OK, dancers, hit the floor! One of the top swing bands anywhere is back this year with their authentic re-creations of Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey, Benny Goodman and other greats of the Swing Era. Formed in 1982, the band has always consisted of top musicians, many having performed with such big names as Ella Fitzgerald, Woody Herman, Harry "Sweets" Edison and many others. Think you'll agree that these guys are good!

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SCHEDULE

Friday	3:45	Elks Ballroom
	6:15	Lake House
Sunday	1:30	Elks Ballroom
	5:15	Elks Ballroom

Kevin Bollinger - leader, trumpet

Charlie Smith - trumpet

Dave Wiske - trombone, vocals

Rich Chiaraluce - alto sax,
clarinet, flute

Rich Maul - alto sax, baritone sax,
clarinet

Jeremy Wendlein - tenor sax,
clarinet, flute

Drew Morell - piano (Friday)

Julie Frederickson - piano
(Sunday)

Gary Sloan - bass (Friday)

Ron Bland - bass (Sunday)

Ward Durrett - drums

Cara Griffith - vocals

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Jeremy Mohney and His Band

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Boulder, CO

www.facebook.com/jeremymohneymusic/

Making their Evergreen debut this year, this swingin' group has rapidly captivated dancers throughout the Rockies and across the country. Club patrons, dancers and festival audiences all enjoy their refreshing take on the classics of the 1920s-40s. When they're not on tour, they hold forth Tuesdays at Boulder's No Name Club and make frequent appearances at the Mercury Café in Denver. It's a pleasure to welcome them.

SCHEDULE

Friday	7:30	Elks Patio
	10:00	Lake House
Saturday	8:00	Church
	10:00	Elks Ballroom



Jeremy Mohney - leader, alto sax, vocals
Reid Poole - trumpet
Matt Cantor - guitar
Conner Hollingsworth - bass
Chris Carland - drums

Queen City Jazz Band with Wende Harston

Denver

www.queencityjazzband.com

This local treasure has been thrilling audiences on both sides of the Atlantic for well over 60 years. Their big New Orleans sound was born in a smoky Lakewood roadhouse in 1958, and the band has grown to become one of the premier groups anywhere. Likewise, Wende Harston is regarded as one of today's standout jazz vocalists, reminding many of a modern-day Bessie Smith. Their Sunday gospel service is not to be missed.

SCHEDULE

Friday	2:30	Elks Patio
	5:00	Lake House
Saturday	11:15	Elks Ballroom
	3:00	Elks Ballroom
	4:15	Center Stage
	6:45	Elks Ballroom
Sunday	9:15	Church (Gospel Service)
	12:15	Center Stage

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Bill Clark - leader, tuba
Kevin Bollinger - trumpet
Eric Staffeldt - trombone
John Bredenberg - clarinet
Rory Thomas - banjo
Hank Troy - piano
Tony Pantelis - drums
Wende Harston - vocals






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As a special treat, we've arranged to bring their longtime vocal favorite Mary Kelly out of Florida retirement for a guest appearance. Enjoy!

- Charlie Smith** - leader, trumpet
- Eugene LeBeaux Reuff** - trombone
- Andrew Vogt** - reeds, vocals
- Joe Petrocelli** - banjo, vocals
- Ray Leake** - piano, vocals
- Ced Forsyth** - bass
- Jim Moore** - drums
- Nik Petrocelli** - drums
- Mary Kelly** - vocals



SCHEDULE

Friday	2:30	Church
	8:45	Lake House
Saturday	11:15	Center Stage
	1:45	Elks Ballroom
	6:45	Church
	9:15	Elks Ballroom
Sunday	12:15	Church
	4:00	Church

Something Doin' Big Little Ragtime Band

Denver

That wonderfully distinctive, syncopated sound from the early 1900s, Ragtime is generally regarded as a forerunner of jazz. It pre-dates recorded music, but its immense popularity was evidenced by sheet music sales in the millions. With dedicated authenticity, Maurie Walker and his friends bring this important genre to the Festival, revisiting the work of such greats as Scott Joplin, Ernest Hogan and even Jelly Roll Morton.

- Maurie Walker** - leader, banjo
- Bill Clark** - tuba
- Hank Troy** - piano
- John Bredenberg** - reeds, banjo

SCHEDULE

Saturday 1:45 Elks Patio



Maurie Walker

Thank You, Everyone!

With the exception of a few specialized services, the Festival is produced entirely by a group of tireless, jazz-loving volunteers. Without their year-round dedication, this annual labor of love would never happen. Nor would it happen without the generous support of our many benefactors and the special cooperation of a large number of local residents, businesses, musicians and nonprofits. To everyone who helps make the Festival a reality, thank you! We apologize for any omissions or misspellings.

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But there is still a major financial gap that can only be filled by contributions from individuals. If you love this music and are enjoying the weekend, please help us make sure we'll be back next year. Cash, check, credit card – all are welcome! Seriously, stop by the Elks Lodge front desk and do your part to keep the music playing. If everyone here would contribute just \$20, it would be a huge help.

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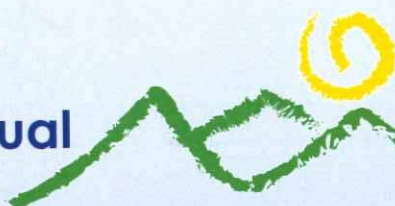
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