

Mack Avenue Music Group Jazz Talk Tent brings greater depth to the music heard at the Festival. It's developed for fans who enjoy the jazz conversation and want a deeper dive into the artists, history and uniqueness of the Festival and the music. The Jazz Talk Tent offers lively interviews, panel discussions and presentations by authors on their latest books. You'll find musicians, jazz radio hosts and journalists from around the world sharing perspectives on jazz.

Jazz Historians/Programmers: Jim Gallert and Lars Bjorn

SATURDAY, AUG. 31

1:30-2:15 p.m. LEARNING JAZZ THE DETROIT WAY Michael Jellick, Marion Hayden, John Kellso panel

Moderator: Lars Bjorn

2:30-3:30 p.m. MAXINE GORDON DISCUSSES HER BIOGRAPHY OF DEXTER GORDON

Interviewer: Mark Stryker

3:45-4:30 p.m. MEET THE ARTIST - CAMERON GRAVES Host: Kim Heron

4:45–5:45 p.m. JAZZ FROM DETROIT Author Mark Stryker discusses his newly minted book!

SUNDAY, SEPT. 1

1:00-2:15 p.m. JAZZ GENERATIONS: 3 VOCAL STARS sponsored by Blue Note at Sea Dee Dee Bridgewater,

Veronica Swift, Sheila Jordan Moderator: Veronica Johnson

2:30-3:15 p.m. MEET THE ARTIST - TERENCE BLANCHARD Interviewer: Michael G. Nastos

3:30-4:45 p.m. DRUMS ALONG THE DETROIT RIVER: A DRUMIST PANEL Ali Jackson, George Davidson,

Sean Dobbins, Moderator: Michael G. Nastos

5:00-5:45 p.m. MEET THE ARTIST - ALI JACKSON Interviewer: Marion Hayden

MONDAY, SEPT. 2

1:00-2:00 p.m. JAZZ TRIVIA GAME Host: Gerry Nemeth

2:15–3:15 p.m. BLACK DETROIT Author Herb Boyd discusses the role of Jazz in Detroit during the 1950's–1960's.

3:30-4:30 p.m. BLUE BIRD INN REBIRTH Carleton Gholtz, Detroit Sound Conservancy

4:45–6:00 p.m. JAZZ TRIVIA GAME Host: Gerry Nemeth.