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**Detroit Jazz Festival Will be Streaming Live Across North America  
This Labor Day Weekend**

**Detroit, Mich., July 15, 2016** – The Detroit Jazz Festival, the world’s largest free jazz festival, is now offering online registration for its new mobile app that will live stream performances from downtown Detroit over the four-day festival weekend Sept. 2 – 5. “Detroit Jazz Fest LIVE!,” will be available beginning Aug. 10, but fans can register now at [detroitjazzfest.com/detroit-jazz-fest-live-streaming-app](http://detroitjazzfest.com/detroit-jazz-fest-live-streaming-app) and receive a special discount. The streaming app was made possible with the help of a generous donation from the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation (DDCF). In addition to live streaming of one-of-a-kind performances throughout the weekend, the app will offer instant access to the complete event schedule, festival map, artist info and additional details about the festival.

“Year after year, we strive to make this festival a unique and unsurpassed musical experience, creating lasting impressions of the eclectic collection of performances for jazz fans of all ages and interests,” said Chris Collins, president and artistic director of the Festival. “We’re incredibly excited to extend the festival stage experience this year with Detroit Jazz Fest LIVE, offering jazz fans across North America the chance to musically join us here in Detroit.”

The app, available for any mobile device, tablet or desktop computer, will be available for \$30 for full weekend access, but the festival is reducing the cost by 50 percent through Aug. 10. You can register for the app at [detroitjazzfest.com/detroit-jazz-fest-live-streaming-app](http://detroitjazzfest.com/detroit-jazz-fest-live-streaming-app). Users can watch performances from all four stages, with more than 15 performances per day and over 50 throughout the weekend. This year’s Artist-in-Residence, legendary Detroit bassist Ron Carter, will perform four times throughout the weekend – including nonet, trio, quartet and big band sets – in addition to hundreds of other performers, ranging from up-and-coming artists, to well-respected industry veterans, to student bands. Part of the festival focus is on performance series’ including the Homecoming Series featuring Detroit-focused programming and artists and two new series, the “New Voices” series and “Legacy” this year celebrating the artistry of Kenn Cox.

**Homecoming Series:**

- Ron Carter: Nonet, Ron Carter Quartet, Ron Carter Trio and Ron Carter Great Big Band
- Stanley Cowell Quintet featuring Billy Harper and Charles Tolliver
- The Homecoming Band: Kirk Lightsey/Louis Hayes Trio



- PUBLIQuartet
- Charlie Gabriel Quartet
- David McMurray Trio/Detroit 3

Mentor Disciple Series:

- Randy Weston's African Rhythms & the Wayne State University Big Band – 90th birthday celebration!!!
- Robert Hurst: Celebrating David Baker and Jazz Education
- Gregoire Maret & Inner Voices with Special Guest, Jean Baylor

Legacy Series:

- Kenn Cox Reunion Celebration
- David Weiss and Point of Departure Celebrate the Music of Kenn Cox and Charles Moore
- Detroit Jazz Festival's Rising Stars Alumni Band

New Voices Series:

- Daniel Meinecke Big Band
- Michael Malis Trio

Other 2016 performers:

- George Benson
- Scofield Mehdau Guiliana
- Roy Hargrove Quintet with Strings
- The RH Factor
- Freddy Cole and the Detroit Jazz Festival String Orchestra - The Cole Family Legacy - Remembering Nat and Natalie
- Cyrille Aimée
- Omar Sosa Quarteto AfroCubano
- Terri Lyne Carrington's Mosaic Project
- Chris Potter Underground Orchestra
- Ms. Lisa Fischer & Grand Baton
- Jason Moran and the Bandwagon
- Roberta Gambarini and Jimmy Heath – Celebrating Jimmy Heath's 90th
- Marcus Roberts and the Modern Jazz Generation
- Luciana Souza: "Speaking in Tongues"
- Alfredo Rodríguez Trio
- Harold López-Nussa Trio
- The Soul Rebels
- John Abercrombie Organ Trio
- Vanguard Jazz Orchestra: Established by Thad Jones & Mel Lewis Celebrate 50 years at the Village Vanguard
- Charenée Wade
- Herlin Riley Quintet
- United States Air Force Airmen of Note

The Detroit Jazz Festival Foundation was granted this support through the DDCF Leadership Grants Program for Jazz, designed to support the long-term value of jazz festivals throughout



the U.S., and promote the artistic viability of jazz artists and their presenters. Other grantees in 2016 include the City Parks Foundation, the Jazz Institute of Chicago, the Monterey Jazz Festival and the Newport Festivals Foundation.

#### **About the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation**

The mission of the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation (DDCF) is to improve the quality of people's lives through grants supporting the performing arts, environmental conservation, medical research and child well-being, and through preservation of the cultural and environmental legacy of Doris Duke's properties. The Arts Program of DDCF focuses its support on contemporary dance, jazz and theater artists, and the organizations that nurture, present and produce them. For more information, please visit [www.ddcf.org](http://www.ddcf.org).

#### **About the Detroit Jazz Festival**

The Detroit Jazz Festival is an independent, non-profit organization that presents jazz and educational workshops throughout the year. The Detroit Jazz Festival is the largest free jazz festival in the world and a major tourist attraction for the City of Detroit, with 23 percent of its audience coming from out of state.

The Festival receives grant funding from the Kresge Foundation, National Endowment for the Arts, Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, Erb Family Foundation, Arts Midwest Touring Fund, Carolyn P. Wanzo and the Detroit Public Schools Foundation. Hundreds of individual donors also contribute to the Festival through membership and donations. Major corporate partners include JPMorgan Chase & Co., Quicken Loans, DTE Energy Foundation, Carhartt, Ford Motor Company, Greektown Casino-Hotel, Absopure, Mack Avenue Records and Comcast. Additional partners include AMTECH International, Central Michigan University, Cliff Bell's, Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center, Detroit 300 Conservancy, Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe, Fathead, Great Lakes Beverage, Merrill Lynch, MGM Grand Detroit, Opportunity Detroit, Pepsi, Plante Moran, PNC Bank, St. John Providence, Wayne State University, Whole Foods Market and Woodward Gallery. Media partners include Fox 2, WJR, WDET-FM, WEMU-FM, WRCJ-FM, *DownBeat*, *JazzTimes* and *MetroTimes*. The Greening of the Detroit Jazz Festival is supported by a generous grant from the DTE Energy Foundation. For more information, visit [www.detroitjazzfest.com](http://www.detroitjazzfest.com).

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