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# Ruslan Sirota piano concert May 31, 2014

After a short introduction by Liz Bartz, pianist Ruslan Sirota quietly walked onto the stage. He sat at the piano and directed his complete attention to it, beginning the evening with a tender and sensitive reading of Gershwin's "The Man I Love", followed by a masterful and rousing interpretation of "Caravan." At this point, he turned to the audience, speaking in slightly accented English and thanked the West Michigan Jazz Society for allowing him the opportunity to play this concert. As he confided that he was more comfortable with a band on stage with him to fall back on, and that he felt very vulnerable up there all alone, he established an easy rapport with the listeners. And listen they did. The audience was hushed and attentive

Returning his focus to the piano he followed with "Say Something" and

then Charlie Chapman's "Smile", a favorite of his friend Liz Bartz, to whom he dedicated the piece. Again Ruslan spoke easily with the audience. He spoke of his childhood in Ukraine and how society there was extremely regimented, even the music which consisted of mostly classical. However, his father who was a musician as well, allowed Ruslan to pursue what came naturally to him, even at the tender age of 7, namely.... jazz and improvisation.

Ruslan asked for someone in the audience to provide him with a few bars of musical "seed" on which he could build an improvised tune. However, he got the first few bars of the song "April Showers", with which he then weaved into a masterful and personally stylistic rendition all his own.

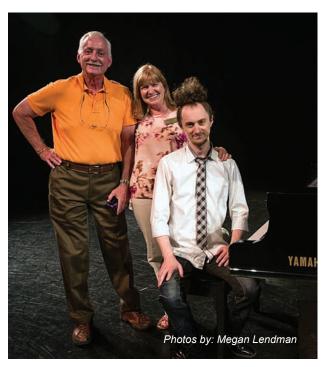
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August 18
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Again he asked and got another song, "Shenandoah", which several people began singing.... as if to refresh Ruslan's memory of this classic piece of Americana! It was clearly a song he was totally unfamiliar with. Even so, he accepted the challenge and composed an entirely new song using the original lines of the song. When the applause died down, a request came from the audience for "Blues in F" which is not really a song but a popular progression of blues chords in F that gave Ruslan probably the widest improvisational canvas of the night! The final piece of the night was "Over the Rainbow". An appreciative audience was not ready to let him go and he complied with an encore, a sweet interpretation of Sting's "Sister Moon".

The afterglow reception was enjoyed by all. Ruslan spent an hour talking and laughing with new and old fans, answering questions and selling and signing CD's.







We are frequently asked what it costs to put on a show at the zoo, and where does our bucket collection money go.

We do have costs over and above those of the musicians. We pay the county a park rental fee and have the expense of a required insurance policy. We also pay the parking kids who direct traffic. In all, it costs over \$1800 to put on the concert each week (it varies depending on the size of the musical group).

Our collection covers a good portion of the costs, but we would not begin to cover them without the support of our sponsors. It is through their generosity that we are able to fund these concerts. We thank them, and all of you who help keep live jazz alive.

John Miller



**MONDAY JUNE 9 – BYRON CENTER HS JAZZ ORCHESTRA** 

Photos by: Bruce Robey

Anyone who thinks that the young people of today do not know or care about jazz was not at John Ball Park for the first show of our 2014 Jazz at the Zoo series. On a beautiful spring evening, the Byron Center HS Jazz Orchestra gave a large crowd a memorable performance. Led be conductor Marc Townley, the orchestra quickly established themselves as being talented, creative and professional. Student after student demonstrated their abilities with solos on the sax, trumpet, trombone and drums. From the Monk piece Straight No Chaser to several lesser known Ellington tunes, including a tribute to Mahalia Jackson, the band gave us pure jazz.

They also gave a stirring rendition of Tears Of Heaven performed by a duet of sax and guitar. Later, the full orchestra did some a cappella singing leading into jazzy versions of Study War No More and Wade In the Water. Near the conclusion of the show, the band was joined by our musician of the year Max Colley III who of course gave us a rousing horn solo.

It is easy to understand why the Byron Center High School is so highly acclaimed. We are fortunate to have such a talented organization in our community.







#### **MONDAY JUNE 16 - PlanetDNonet**

PlanetDNonet made a celestial stop at Grand Rapids this past Monday night for this season's installment #2 of Jazz at the Zoo. Detroit's award winning PD9 as they are affectionately called is captained by drummer RJ Spangler. Since 2007, they have wowed jazz and swing audiences across the Southern U.S. and West Michigan.

Set one opened strong with the driving Fletcher Henderson classic "Christopher Columbus" which was sampled in Louis Prima's original "Sing Sing Sing" to compliment Benny Goodman's version of his well-known signature tune. Trombonist John "T-Bone" Paxton provided some impressive and soulful vocals throughput

the evening to some of the great standards including Cab Callaway's "Dinah", the beautiful and poignant "All My Life", "I've Got the World On a String" and the Ellington/Strayhorn "Just a Sittin' and a Rockin'".

IMHO, I was so pleased when the group chose to feature two Jellyroll Morton tunes to open set #2, "New Orleans Bump" and "King Oliver Stomp". Magnificent soloing by all players, trumpeter Anothny Stanko on "Take the A Train", bari sax man Goode Wyche diggin' in on this one too, as well as his grinding solo on one my personal favorites "East St. Louis Toodle-oo". Great playing all night long from recently rejoining alum, pianist Michael Zaporski, especially on Nat Cole's "I've Found a New Baby".

Cameos from blues harpist Hank Mowery on T-bone Walker's "The Hustle is On" and Randy Marsh to close the evening made for a very entertaining couple of sets. Kudos to the witty RJ Spangler for bringing the stellar "D" starship to West Michigan for an adventurous "docking" at the Zoo!

- Bobby T & Mark Kahny



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#### JAZZ AT THE ZOO JUNE 23

This concert, featuring Tom
Elferdink and the Wonderland
Jazz Ensemble, can be summed
up in two words......RAINED
OUT.

Over the years, we have had very few cancellations, but this night never had a chance. The forecast of 100% chance of rain proved accurate.

We are happy to announce that the concert has been rescheduled for

August 18th 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.



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### July 7-Bluemonk Jazz

Bluemonk Jazz has been performing since 2009 throughout Michigan. The group specializes in the American Songbook, Bebop, Latin jazz, and jazz funk. Carlos Melendez (guitar) spent years as a sessions player in





NYC and has played with many legendary jazz musicians in Puerto Rico. He also toured with Herbie Mann. Matt Moresi (keyboard) is from Oregon and is a music professor and jazz

band director at Ferris State University. Matt has a graduate degree in jazz arranging. Mark Weymouth is a well known professional drummer in Grand Rapids and is the most recent member of the group. Rob Smith is a sax specialist at Central Michigan University, directs the CMU jazz band, and is a much sought after performer throughout Michigan. He plays tenor and soprano sax as well as trumpet and flugelhorn. Susan Morris (vocals) is a professor of Philosophy at Ferris State University and has been involved in music all her life, as a bassist, guitarist, and vocalist. The group is committed to both preserving and exploring jazz idioms.



## July 14- Big Band Nouveau

Big Band Nouveau is a new 17 piece big band specializing in the musical continuation of hard bop and modern mainstream jazz. Big Band Nouveau performs the best in classic modern/ mainstream big band jazz performing arrangements of the music of Miles Davis, John Coltrane, and Freddie Hubbard(to name a few). This band's musical ambitions take a front seat in this new endeavor!

## July 21- The River Rogues Jazz Band

This is a toe-tapping, crowd pleasing, high energy Dixieland band that combines world class musical artistry with good "old school" professional showmanship. Jim Everhart founded the group in 1996. The River Rogues invigorates the spirit of the traditional New Orleans sound and showcases a Dixie-jazz collaborative that is enjoyed by both the seasoned and casual listener.



# COOL JAZZ

# SERIES SCHEDULE JULY & AUGUST 2014

### **July 28- Checkers Morton**



"If you come to hear Checkers Morton you may be a different person when you leave. What you will hear is a band of friends who have played together under this moniker for 40 years. You will hear music from the heart and soul - inspired by the flow of energy that originates at our Source. Original compositions by all of the members of the band, ranging from Dan's light hearted 'Padge' to Gus' deeply inspiring 'Little Raga'. You will hear this amazing music performed on wood, reeds, brass, ivory and primal drums. Checkers Morton is Dave Collee on bass, "Gus"- Bob VanStee on keys, Jim Beegle on trumpet, fluegle horn, congas and flute, Dan Giacobassi on saxes, flute and shakuhachi and Steve Harris on the drums."

August 4- Mary Rademacher and the Rad Pack

Featuring the energetic Mary Rademacher Reed on vocals, and entertainment, this group has played together for over



20 years, their tight harmonies and stage presence creates not only great music but an entertaining and fun experience. (Mark Kahny- keys, vocals and bass, Timothy P. Johnson- drums and vocals, Michael Lutley on saxes & flute. Alex Johnson will join the band for a few special guitar renditions.)

# August 11- The Grand Rapids Jazz Orchestra



For more than 35 years, The Grand Rapids Jazz Orchestra has been one of Michigan's premier jazz ensembles, featuring some of the finest musicians in the area playing swinging original compositions and arrangements as well as traditional favorites. The musicians that create the live sounds are some of the area's best soloists and sidemen available. Many have jazz projects of their own, yet dedicate time to fostering the performance of live big band jazz. The band was founded in 1976 by the late Bruce Early, and has performed with many famous artists such as Clark Terry,

Louis Bellson, Phil Woods, Pearl Bailey, Kenny Wheeler, Randy Brecker, Maria Schneider, Allen Vizutti, Phil Wilson, Bobby Shew, and has been enjoyed by thousands of people at concerts, dances, and festivals throughout the region.

# **July Jazz Around Town**

#### Tuesday July 1

Edye Evans Hyde & Michael Hyde at Bar Divani, 7-10 pm

#### Wednesday July 2

Tom Hagen Trio with Rick Reuther at Noto's, 7 pm Lakeshore Big Band at the Grand Haven Waterfront, 7-8:30 pm

#### Thursday July 3

Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Clara's, 44 S. Mc Camly St, Battle Creek, 6-10 pm

Jazz at the Book Nook Java Shop, Montague, \$5 cover 7 pm Robin Connell at Amway Grand Plaza Hotel, 6-9 pm

#### Friday July 4

Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Clara's, 44 S. Mc Camly St, Battle Creek, 6-10 pm
John Shea at JW Marriott, 6-10 pm
Jazz at Royal Jazz Opus, 606 Bridge St, 8-11 pm
Kathy Lamar at Celebration on the Grand, w/Bob Van Stee & Mark Weymouth 5:30 – 6:25 pm
Libby York at Toulouse in Saugatuck, 7-10 pm

#### Saturday July 5

John Shea at Noto's, 7-10 pm Diana Vandewater at Bar Divani, 7-10 pm

#### Sunday July 6

GRJO at Founders, 5:30 – 7:30 pm John Shea at New Holland Brewing, Holland, 5-8 pm Robin Connell at Mangiamo's, 7-10 pm

#### Monday July 7

JAZZ AT THE ZOO, BLUEMONK JAZZ, 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Jazz Jam at What Not Inn, 6-10 pm John Shea at Republic, 8-11 pm

Randissimo's Jazzy Birthday Jam at SpeakEZ Lounge, featuring jazz legend Arno Marsh,

w/ Tom Lockwood & Steve Talaga, 9pm – 12 am

#### **Tuesday July 8**

Paul Vornhagen Quartet w/ Arno Marsh at Gull's Landing, Pentwater, 7-11 pm Mark Kahny w/ Rebekah Reyes, Bar Divani, 7-10pm

#### Wednesday July 9

Tom Hagen Trio with Rick Reuther at Noto's, 7 pm Lakeshore Big Band at the Grand Haven Waterfront, 7-8:30 pm John Shea at Watermark Grill, 6:30 – 9:30 pm

#### Thursday July10

Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Clara's, 44 S. Mc Camly St, Battle Creek, 6-10 pm Justin Wierenga Trio Jazz at the Book Nook Java Shop, Montague, \$5 cover 7 pm Robin Connell, w/ Chris Kjorness & Scott Veenstra at Riverside Park, Greenville, 7-9 pm

#### Friday July 11

Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Clara's, 44 S. Mc Camly St, Battle Creek, 6-10 pm
John Shea at JW Marriott, 6-10 pm
Jazz at Royal Jazz Opus, 606 Bridge St, 8-11 pm
Libby York at Toulouse in Saugatuck, 7-10 pm
Mark Kahny at Marro's, Saugatuck, 7-11pm

#### Saturday July 12

Mark Kahny Trio at What Not Inn, 7-11 pm John Shea at Noto's, 7-10 pm

Mark Kahny at Marro's, Saugatuck, 6-10pm

#### Sunday July 13

Mary Rademacher Reed at What Not Inn, Fennville, 6-10 pm Paul Vornhagen Quartet w/ Arno Marsh at Gull's Landing, Pentwater, 7-11 pm Tom Hagen Trio at Reuther Music Pavilion, Canadian Lakes, Pierce Rd Beach 7:30 pm

#### Monday July 14

JAZZ AT THE ZOO –BIG BAND NOUVEAU, 6:30 – 8:30 pm John Shea at Republic, 8-11 pm Jazz Jam at What Not Inn, 6-10 pm

#### **Tuesday July 15**

Diana VandeWater and Paul Lesinski at Bar Divani, Torchlight Tuesdays, 7-10 pm

#### Wednesday July 16

Tom Hagen Trio with Rick Reuther at Noto's, 7 pm Lakeshore Big Band at the Grand Haven Waterfront, 7-8:30 pm

#### Thursday July 17

Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Clara's, 44 S. Mc Camly St, Battle Creek, 6-10 pm

Brad Fritcher + Trios Jazz at the Book Nook Java Shop, Montague, \$5 cover 7 pm

Tom Hagen Trio on Grand Lady Riverboat, 7-9 pm, boards at 6:15pm

Robin Connell at Amway Grand Plaza Hotel, 6-9 pm Mark Kahny at Marro's, Saugatuck, 6-10pm

#### Friday July 18

Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Clara's, 44 S. Mc Camly St, Battle Creek, 6-10 pm
John Shea at JW Marriott, 6-10 pm
Jazz at Royal Jazz Opus, 606 Bridge St, 8-11 pm
Libby York at Toulouse in Saugatuck, 7-10 pm
Mark Kahny at Marro's, Saugatuck, 7-11pm

#### Saturday July 19

Christy G, Mark Kahny & Bobby T., reunion gig at What Not Inn, Fennville 7-11 pm
Diana Vandewater at Bar Divani, 7-10 pm
John Shea at Noto's, 7-10 pm

#### Sunday July 20

Robin Connell at Mangiamo's, 7-10 pm John Shea at New Holland Brewing, Holland, 5-8 pm

#### Monday July 21

JAZZ AT THE ZOO –RIVER ROGUES JAZZ BAND, 6:30 – 8:30 pm Jazz Jam at What Not Inn, 6-10 pm Tom Hagen Trio w/Rick Reuther at Gull's Landing, Pentwater 7-11 pm Jazz Jam at What Not Inn, Fennville, 6-10 pm

#### **Tuesday July 22**

Mary Rademacher Reed, Torchlight Tuesdays at Bar Divani, 7-10 pm

#### Wednesday July 23

Tom Hagen Trio with Rick Reuther at Noto's, 7 pm Lakeshore Big Band at the Grand Haven Waterfront, 7-8:30 pm

#### Thursday July 24

Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Clara's, 44 S. Mc Camly St, Battle Creek, 6-10 pm

Brad Fritcher + Trois at the Book Nook Java Shop, Montague, \$5 cover 7 pm

Robin Connell at Amway Grand Plaza Hotel, 6-9 pm Tom Hagen Trio featuring Rick Reuther at Greenville Tower Riverside Park, 7:30 – 9 pm

#### Friday July 25

Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Clara's, 44 S. Mc Camly St, Battle Creek, 6-10 pm
John Shea at JW Marriott, 6-10 pm
Jazz at Royal Jazz Opus, 606 Bridge St, 8-11 pm
Libby York w/ Robin Connell at Toulouse in Saugatuck, 7-10 pm
Mark Kahny at Marro's, Saugatuck, 7-11pm

#### Saturday July 26

Bobby T. Trio w Scott Bell & Jane De Young at What Not Inn, Fennville 7-11 pm John Shea at Noto's, 7-10 pm Diana Vandewater at Bar Divani, 7-10 pm

#### Sunday July 27

Mark Kahny w Edye Evans Hyde & Evan Hyde at What Not Inn, Fennville 6-10 pm
Organissimo w/ Randy Marsh at SpeakEZ Lounge, 7-9 pm

#### Monday July 28

JAZZ AT THE ZOO -CHECKERS MORTON, 6:30 – 8:30 pm Jazz Jam at What Not Inn, Fennville, 6-10 pm

#### **Tuesday July 29**

Steve Hilger Quintet at Meijer Garden's, 6:15 – 645 pm, free to 65 & older, \$12 Gen'l adm

River City Jazz Ensemble at Meijer Gardens, 7-9 pm, free to 65 & older, \$12 Gen'l adm

Mary Rademacher Reed w/the Mark Kahny Band, Manistee 1st St. Beach Pavilion, 7-9:15 pm

Downie Streahl at Bar Divani, Torchlight Tuesdays 7-10 pm

#### Wednesday July 30

John Shea at Red's on the River, 6-10 pm Lakeshore Big Band at the Grand Haven Waterfront, 7-8:30 pm Mary Rademacher Reed w/the Mark Kahny Band at Gull's Landing, Pentwater, 7-11 pm Tom Hagen Trio with Rick Reuther at Noto's, 7 pm

#### Thursday July 31

Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Clara's, 44 S. Mc Camly St, Battle Creek, 6-10 pm

Checkers Morton at the Book Nook Java Shop, Montague, \$5 cover 7 pm

Robin Connell at Amway Grand Plaza Hotel, 6-9 pm Mary Rademacher Reed w/ the Mark Kahny Band, Cadillac, Rotary Pavilion, 7-9:15 pm

# **Augusí Jazz Around Town**

#### Friday August 1

John Shea at JW Marriott, 6-10 pm Jazz at Royal Jazz Opus, 606 Bridge St, 8-11 pm Libby York at Toulouse in Saugatuck, 7-10 pm Mary Rademacher Reed & the Mark Kahny Band, Rambadt Park, Reed City, 7-9:15 pm

#### Saturday August 2

Mary Rademacher Reed & the Mark Kahny Band at 2nd annual Idlewild Homecoming Jazz & Blues Fest, 4pm And then from 7-9:15 pm at Baldwin's Wenger PavilionSunday

#### **Sunday August 3**

GRJO at Founders, 5:30 -7:30 pm John Shea at New Holland Brewing Co, Holland, 6-9 pm Mary Rademacher Reed w/the Mark Kahny Band at Gull's Landing, Pentwater, 7 pm Diana Vandewater at Toulouse in Saugatuck, 7-10 pm

#### Monday August 4

JAZZ AT THE ZOO - MARY RADEMACHER REED & THE RAD PACK 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Jazz Jam at What Not Inn, Fennville 6-10 pm
John Shea at Republic, 8-11 pm

#### **Tuesday August 5**

Paul Keller Quintet at Gull's Landing, Pentwater, 7 pm Torchlight Tuesdays at Bar Divani, 7-10 pm

#### Wednesday August 6

#### Thursday August 7

Jazz at the Book Nook Java Shop, Montague, \$5 cover 7 pm Mark Kahny at Lumber Baron Bar, Amway Grand, 6:30-9:30

#### Friday August 8

John Shea at JW Marriott, 6-10 pm Jazz at Royal Jazz Opus, 606 Bridge St, 8-11 pm Libby York at Toulouse in Saugatuck, 7-10 pm

#### Saturday August 9

Gayle Kolb at What Not Inn, Fennville 7-11 pm
Diana Vandewater at Toulouse in Saugatuck, 7-10 pm
Mark Kahny at Marro's Italian Restaurant, Saugatuck 7-11 pm

#### **Sunday August 10**

Paul Keller Quintet at Gull's Landing, Pentwater, 7 pm

#### **Monday August 11**

JAZZ AT THE ZOO - GR JAZZ ORCHESTRA 6:30 – 8:30 pm Jazz Jam at What Not Inn, Fennville 6-10 pm John Shea at Republic, 8-11 pm

#### **Tuesday August 12**

Tom & Cherie Hagen w/ Rick Reuther at Gull's Landing, Pentwater 7-11 pm Torchlight Tuesdays at Bar Divani, 7-10 pm

#### Wednesday August 13

#### **Thursday August 14**

Jazz at the Book Nook Java Shop, Montague, \$5 cover 7 pm Boogie Woogie Babies at Walker Community Park, 7-9pm

#### Friday August 15

John Shea at JW Marriott, 6-10 pm Jazz at Royal Jazz Opus, 606 Bridge St, 8-11 pm Libby York at Toulouse in Saugatuck, 7-10 pm Mark Kahny at Marro's Italian Restaurant, Saugatuck 7-11 pm

#### **Saturday August 16**

Mark Kahny at Marro's Italian Restaurant, Saugatuck 7-11 pm

#### **Sunday August 17**

Mark Kahny Trio at What Not Inn, Fennville 6-10 pm John Shea at New Holland Brewing Co, Holland, 6-9 pm Tom & Cherie Hagen w/ Rick Reuther at Gull's Landing, Pentwater 7-11 pm Diana Vandewater at Toulouse in Saugatuck, 7-10 pm

#### Monday August 18

JAZZ AT THE ZOO -Wonderland Jazz Ensemble 6:00-8:00 Jazz Jam at What Not Inn, Fennville 6-10 pm John Shea at Republic, 8-11 pm

#### **Tuesday August 19**

Planet D Nonet at Gull's Landing, Pentwater, 7-11 pm Torchlight Tuesdays at Bar Divani, 7-10 pm

#### Wednesday August 20

#### **Thursday August 21**

Mark Kahny at Marro's Italian Restaurant, Saugatuck 6-10pm Jazz at the Book Nook Java Shop, Montague, \$5 cover 7 pm

#### Friday August 22

John Shea at JW Marriott, 6-10 pm Jazz at Royal Jazz Opus, 606 Bridge St, 8-11 pm Libby York at Toulouse in Saugatuck, 7-10 pm Mark Kahny at Marro's Italian Restaurant, Saugatuck 6-10pm

#### Saturday August 23

Diana Vandewater at Toulouse in Saugatuck, 7-10 pm

#### Saturday August 23& 24

Shoreline Jazz Festival in Muskegon 1pm -9 pm Kenny G, Alexander Zonjic Call 800-585-3737 for tickets or www.startickets.com \$25 General admission each day or \$50 for up front seating.

#### **Sunday August 24**

John Shea at New Holland Brewing Co, Holland, 6-9 pm Planet D Nonet at Gull's Landing, Pentwater, 7-11 pm Mark Kahny & Mark Weymouth at What Not Inn, Fennville 6-10pm

#### **Monday August 25**

Jazz Jam at What Not Inn, Fennville 6-10 pm John Shea at Republic, 8-11 pm

#### **Tuesday August 26**

Torchlight Tuesdays at Bar Divani, 7-10 pn

#### Wednesday August 27

#### **Thursday August 28**

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#### Saturday August 30

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#### **Sunday August 31**

John Shea at New Holland Brewing Co, Holland, 6-9 pm River City Jazz, free concert featuring Kathy Gibson, vocals at Reuther Pavilion, Canadian Lakes, 7-9 pm

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