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JUNE 6 - Mary Rademacher, Rick Reuther & The Tom Hagen Quartet -sponsored by BEACON HILL



Get ready for an evening of vocal standards reminiscent of Steve & Eydie, Jackie & Roy, Ella and Louis and more, along with medleys and great musicianship from a group of musicians who have been friends and colleagues for over 35 years! This group has been a favorite that has entertained at WMJS holiday parties and various events around Michigan.

Rademacher is a versatile and interpretive singer, dancer, actor, theatre director and choreographer who is energetic, engaging and entertaining. Her career has spanned the globe with a USO Tour to The Far East, across the states and more. WMJS Musician of the Year 2006.

Reuther, a talented singer/songwriter and recording artist counts Bennett, Sinatra, Darrin and Cole as some of his vocal musical influences and sings in a clear baritone with always intelligible lyrics. Mary and Rick have an album together and have traveled with their revue, Steppin' Out!, a tribute to great jazz vocal duets.

Tom Hagen, piano, is a multi-talented musician and has spent his life in music - performing, recording, composing, arranging, teaching, enjoying. Jazz Musician of the year in 2007. He has accompanied Steve Allen, Buddy De Franco, The Grand Rapids Symphony, The Lennon Bros., Stars of the Lawrence Welk Show, Lorna Luft, and many more... continued on page 3

JUNE 13 – West Ottawa High School Jazz I - sponsered by MEYER MUSIC

West Ottawa High School Jazz I, directed by Mike Hamann, is an auditioned performance ensemble that focuses on big band music style and interpretation along with improvisation. Jazz I has twice been selected to perform as a featured ensemble at the Michigan Music Conference, has garnered numerous awards at CMU's annual Jazz Weekend, and they have performed with guest artists Jon Faddis, Wycliffe Gordon, Jeff Hamilton, Rodney Whitaker, Eric Reed, Carl Allen, Marcus Printup, Sean Jones, Reggie Thomas, Wess Anderson, Todd Williams, Robin Eubanks, Michael Philip Mossman, Antonio Hart, Sammy Miller & The Congregation, Paul Keller, Cris Crenshaw and Etienne Charles.

Jazz I regularly performs college and professional level literature. They consistently receive First Division ratings at State Jazz Festival, and they have received numerous soloist, section and ensemble awards at Central Michigan University's Jazz Weekend, including Outstanding Ensemble in Class AA in 2014 and 2015.



Letter from the President

Greetings! Our West Michigan Jazz Society Board has a lot going on right now with the Jazz in the Park starting June 6th!

We need volunteers! We are actively looking for people to volunteer their time to the West Michigan Jazz Society. If you have some time and talents you can share with us, please contact us! We are looking for people to help with the upcoming Jazz in the Park as well as assisting with some of the behind the scenes work which needs to be done. We need parking



attendants, people to work at the table, and people to tear down. As the saying goes, many hands make light work! We set up West Michigan Jazz Society: Jazz in the Park Volunteers (signupgenius.com) which has a link which will be posted on our website.

For those of you that are not aware, the West Michigan Jazz Society is run by a board of volunteers. We do not have any employees. There are only a few people who we contract with to do services such as assisting with membership tracking and the website. In June, we will have a board members retiring from the board. As a board member, you are able to do two terms which are three years for each term. Many people continue to be involved and volunteer after their board terms are up. If you have time and talents to share, especially fund raising, working with people for membership and volunteers, grant writing experience, or other areas, please reach out to us.

We are looking forward to seeing people at our events this summer and hope we can top the attendance numbers from last year!

-Michelle Needham

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Attendance for each concert ranges from 1,500 - 3,000 people each Monday night. The concert series has a rich history of word-of-mouth advertising that has brought successful community engagement over the years. In addition, we are broadening the reach of the series with our new media partners and anticipate that our attendance will continue to grow in our new location. Special Thanks to: WYCE, Blue Lake Radio, WGVU.

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June 6 continued



Cherie Lynn on drums, also plays guitar and bass and is an accomplished and lifelong career songwriter and singer, as well. Cherie, Rick and Tom were the house band, holding the longest steady night in W Michigan for 20 years at Noto's Lounge in Grand Rapids, until the pandemic hit.

L. Elgin Vines has been described as one of the most sought-after jazz bassists in W Michigan and has been working for over 60 years from the Catskills to TV shows, including The Lawrence Welk Show (the same night as the Beatles debut in 1964!) to national tours to innumerous gigs in Michigan and beyond. He is pure gold in every way. He worked as a technologist for Amway. He is also a WMJS Musician of the Year 2005.

Saxophonist/Flutist, **Mike Lutley** has been a repair technician at Meyer Music since 2007 and with Yamaha prior to that. He has directed for the GR Catholic Schools, is a busy working musician with many local groups and big bands, including The GRJO and River City Jazz Ensemble (both 35 years). He also played in the GR Symphony with Manhattan Transfer, Mel Torme and Frank Sinatra, Jr. Mike was Musician of the Year 2015.

Each performer has CDs available for purchase in person or online.



JUNE 20 – Xavier Davis -sponsored by SUSAN SHIVELY 5 STAR REALTY

Grammy winning artist, Xavier Davis began his career as pianist with the legendary vocalist Betty Carter. Xavier has appeared on over 80 albums. His most recent release, "Rise Up Detroit", on Detroit Music Factory, reached the top ten in the JazzWeek charts. Most recently Xavier has been seen working with Regina Carter, Jeremy Pelt, Christian McBride, Steve Turre, René Marie and Black Art Jazz Collective. He also worked with trumpeter Tom Harrell and vibraphonist Stefon Harris regularly. In addition, Xavier has performed and/or recorded with Abbey Lincoln, Freddie Hubbard, Jimmy Heath, Usher, Yolanda Adams, Joe Lovano, John Faddis, Nat Adderley, Nicholas Payton, Al Foster, Russell Malone, among many others. After six years of teaching at The Juilliard School in New York, Xavier joined the stellar faculty of the Michigan State University jazz program in 2014 where he is currently the Associate Professor of Jazz Piano.



In Memory of

Anthony Prince, a patron member of the West Michigan Jazz Society, departed this life on April 4, 2022 after a long battle with cancer. He leaves to cherish his memories, his loving wife, Alma Brewer-Prince.

Anthony was born in New York City, and was educated in the New York City School System. In 1968, he was drafted into the United States Army, serving as a cook and gun bunny from 1969 – 1970 in Vietnam. In 1974, Anthony was honorably discharged. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Vietnam Service Medal and Vietnam Campaign

Medal. After serving six years in the Army, Anthony worked as a cook for twenty years.

"Alma shared with me the love he had for jazz and how thankful he was for the West Michigan Jazz Society. He was able to attend two West Michigan Jazz Society Jazz Gumbo events this year. He and his warm smile will be truly missed at future jazz events".

-Michelle Needham

June 27 - John Gist -sponsored by DENISON FINANCIAL

John Gist, born and raised in Grand Rapids, MI. Mr. Gist is an alto, tenor, and soprano, saxophonist who has mastered a wide variety of musical styles which include Jazz, Funk, Blues, R&B, Gospel.

"Johnny can make you want to get up and shake your "groove thing" when he's blowin' out some funky rhythms one minute. And in the blink of eye, he can send a shiver up your spine and make your bones want to melt with some of the soft, sultry notes he throws on his audience". If you haven't seen him play yet, you're really missing out! So check Johnny out sometime and you won't be sorry".

John Gist - Saxophone, Paul Lesinski - Keyboard Mark Weymouth - Drums, Robert Pace - Bass.



Thanks to a few of our Sponsors for the 2022 Jazz in the Park Series!











Muskegon Holland Grand Rapids Kalamazoo



July 11 - Clifton Metcalf Trio/Quartet Sponsored by BRITT LAW

Clif Metcalf - from mid-Michigan, Metcalf's interest in jazz organ was sparked after attending a concert featuring a gospel style B3 player. He began listening to jazz organ legends like Jimmy Smith, Jimmy McGriff, Dr. Lonnie Smith and others.

In February 2014, Clif was further inspired by meeting Hammond Family Artist Jim Alfredson, of the group Organissimo. Upon learning that he was playing an inferior keyboard, Mr. Alfredson generously gave Clif the vintage Hammond M3 on which he had learned to play. Mr. Alfredson remains a valuable mentor and friend.

In early 2015, Clif became a student of Jazz Organ Monster Tony Monaco, in his role as Artistin-Residence at Hope College in Holland, Michigan. He continues to grow under Mr. Monaco's teaching.

You can catch Clif with his group, Dot Org Jazz Organ Combo, at festivals and brew pubs in Central, West and Northwest Michigan.

Clif counts meeting Joey DeFrancesco, opening a show for Tony Monaco, and being welcomed into the Hammond Family of Artists among the proudest moments in his young career.

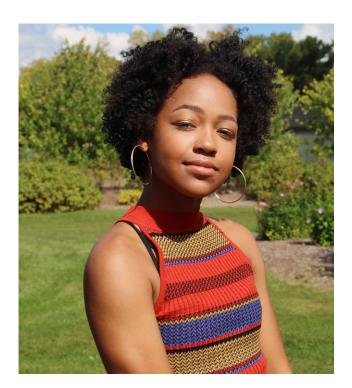
July 18 - Sarah Whitaker Group

Sarah was first informed by her current professor, Randy Gillespie, that, "If you can dance, you can play the drums," at the age of nine. This was good news. Dancing was her favorite pastime, as she participated in Cheer teams and in creating dance routines with her sisters at home, given free time.

Sarah Whitaker born in Highland Park, Michigan, but raised in East Lansing, MI. Both her father and mother played a seminal role in her immersion into Jazz and all styles of music from birth. Due to this musical upbringing, she began training as a classical percussionist in the fifth grade in her school's band program and continued to train as such up until her Junior year of college where she decided it was time to come home and switch her major to a BA in Jazz Studies at Michigan State University, where she is currently in attendance.

Her main drumming influences include Max Roach, Ed Thigpen, and Vernell Fournier. She is also an aspiring jazz vocalist, pianist and vibraphonist.

Joining Sarah will be pianist Sequoia Synder, from Washington D.C, bassist Emma Wilburn, from Sacramento, California and Vocalist Rockelle Whitaker, from Detroit, Michigan.





July 25 - Truth in Jazz Orchestra

Fronted by West Michigan's legendary drummer, Tim Froncek, this group of 16 of the area's top musicians plays charts from the classic era of the big bands, up to today's best charts from the hottest writers. The band was organized in the Fall of 2003 by Dave Collee, Ed Spier, and Matt Lintula, who wanted a group able to play pro-level big band literature, and have fun doing it! Our debut was the "MS Jams" fundraiser concert on April 3, 2004 in Muskegon's beautiful Frauenthal Center for the Performing Arts. We have assembled a great bunch of area musicians who enjoy the challenge of playing great charts in a large ensemble

> World Class Jazz Tours, Tim Scully, Director Sponsor funded. 7 Day 7 County, 11 week Tour this summer. New band each week.

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Monday: Elberta, MI, Waterfront Park

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Wednesday: Ludington, Waterfront Park

Thursday: Cadillac, Rotary Pavilion, Lake Cadillac

Friday: Reed City, Rambadt Park Campground

Saturday: Baldwin at Wenger Pavilion

Sunday: Pentwater at Gull Landing restaurant on the

deck, 6:30-10:30

April 18 - Mary Rademacher and Friends

Arlene McDaniel, keyboard Ed Fedewa, bass Jon Montgomery, saxophone Mary Rademacher Reed

Mary Rademacher Reed, vocalist

On a perfectly rotten day in this dreary, cold month of

April, we got a glimpse of sunlight starting around 6:40 PM. Jon Montgomery rose up to play Billy Strahorn's "Take the A Train", and along with Arlene McDaniel and Ed Fedewa, transported us toward Sugar Hill. In the next number, they accompanied Mary Rad Reed in her version of the Julie London tune, "No Moon at All". And the next two hours were bliss!

It was plainly evident that Mary, Arlene, Ed and Jon have lengthy and varied experiences as musicians and educators. Their intimate familiarity with the music and its history, their notable individual prowess, and their musical joy in playing off each other offered us in a welcomed large turnout a familiarity and charm as they wove a tapestry of jazz standards and Broadway and movie tunes. From secret love to lady be good to kind of blue to mercy, mercy and a lovely way to spend an evening; they presented the best of familiar songs from the last 50 or so years, and we devoured the musical feast.

Comfort in the crowd - the awakening of shared pleasure – a respite with kindred spirits lifted by music's magic: those gifts on the 18 th were most appreciated as we slog through the three- year drone of Covid and politics, get bombarded by the visceral brutality of war, sense the foul breath of deep racial enmity and brutishness in our own neighborhoods, and cope with the days' more mundane events and concerns. In their musical elegance and harmony, these four performers delivered grace, dignity, some fun, and the hope of better things. Namaste.

- Pete Proli











Keith Hall Trio - May 16

To all who missed that last gumbo of the season - and there were a lot of you by the way, missed an evening of fine musicianship and an excellent play list. The Keith Hall Trio were the perpetrators of said musical mastery, featuring **Keith Hall** on drums, **Matthew Fries** holding down the keys position, and **Jordan Richards** on the double bass.

They came out of the gate with the Armstrong favorite "Sunny Side of the Street" with Mr. Fries leading, in a very funky manner, on his Rhoades style piano and Mr. Hall exhibiting prowess with the brushes on his dune buggy green drum kit. Mr. Richards came in with a grounding bass solo which rolled into some serious eights trading leading to a nice jam for the ending. Ray Brown's tribute to Sonny Rollins, "F.S.R." was the second selection of the evening, featuring

a hard swinging bass solo to start and the boys just kept it right on swinging. "Coming of Age" is a keys led ballad, written by Mr. Hall off of his album Made in Kalamazoo. with beautifully sultry bass stylings and Mr. Hall giving us a lesson on the playing of the ride cymbal. Matt Fries' arrangement of Spike Jones' wacky "Cocktails for Two" had some pretty interesting sound effects thanks to Mr. Hall's percussive treatment of the snare and amazing solo. It put a hitch in my giddy up, but in a good way.

Stepping out of the break and into Mr. Hall's favorite artist, Ahmad Jamal and "their version of his version" of the Chet Baker tune "But Not for Me" featuring some impressive improvisational interplay amongst our worthy musicians. "Invitation", another of our featured artist's tunes hinted to me of Latin beats and faraway places. You can tell these guys enjoy jamming together and they make it look easy. They ended

a wonderful night of music with a ripping version of Jimmy Smith's "The Sermon". Thank you Keith Hall Trio for an amazing night of innovative jazz!

I personally would like to thank all the artists that made this last season of Jazz Gumbo so great, the lovely jazz fans that grace these shows and most of all the West Michigan Jazz Society for all you do for jazz in not only West Michigan but the whole jazz world! You're keeping it alive!

- Kevin Hubbard







June Jazz Around West Michigan

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm
- The New Standard Trio at American Dunes Golf Club, Lincoln, Grand Haven, 6-9pm
- Randy Marsh and Jeff Haas Trio at the Union in North Port, 6-8:30pm

THURSDAY, JUNE 2

- John Shea Trio at GR Ford Museum, 5-7pm
- Robin Connell at the Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Walt Gutowski and the Bridge St. Band at Fratelli's Kitchen, 435 Bridge St., 6-8:30pm
- The New Standard at Sandy Point Beach House, West Olive, 6-9pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm

FRIDAY, JUNE 3

- John Shea Trio at Danzon Kitchen, 1 Carlton & Fulton St, 7-10pm
- Mary Rademacher Trio at Rendezvous, 8-11pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm

SATURDAY, JUNE 4

- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian, 6:30-9:30pm
- Noelle Michaels Frost Trio at Rendezvous, 8-11pm
- Kenji Lee Trio at the Book Nook and Java Shop, Montague, 7pm

SUNDAY, JUNE 5

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Grand Rapids Jazz Orchestra at Festival of the Arts, with Edye Evans Hyde, downtown on the Lyon Stage at 3:30pm
- Dean Alrick Piano at the What Not Inn, Fennville, 5-7pm

MONDAY, JUNE 6

- · WEST MICHIGAN JAZZ SOCIETY AT MILLENIUM PARK,
 - Mary Rademacher, Rick Reuther and the Tom Hagen Quartet, 6:30-8:30PM
- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Rockwell Republic, 7-10pm
- Monday Night Jam at What Not Inn, Fennville, 6-9pm

TUESDAY, JUNE 7

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Jeff Shoup Jazz Jam at Moriarity's Pub, Lansing, 7-9pm
- Terry Lower/piano with Dr. Barry Ross/violin at Martell's, Kalamazoo 5:30-7:30pm

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm

THURSDAY, JUNE 9

- Walt Gutowski and the Bridge St. Band at Fratelli's Kitchen, 435 Bridge St., 6-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Beacon Corner Bar, 38 W. Fulton & Commerce, 7-10pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm
- In the Blue at Sandy Point Beach House, West Olive, 6-9pm
- Mark Kahny at Muskegon Country Club, Lakeshore Dr., piano and vocals, 5-8pm

FRIDAY, JUNE 10

- John Shea Trio at Danzon Kitchen, 1 Carlton & Fulton St, 7-10pm
- The New Standard Guitar Trio at JW Marriott, 7-11pm

- Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Rendezvous, 8-11pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm

SATURDAY, JUNE 11

- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian, 6:30-9:30pm
- Noelle Michaels Frost Trio at Rendezvous, 8-11pm

SUNDAY, JUNE 12

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Big Band Nouveau at The Stray, 5pm
- Jim Cooper Trio Brazilian Bash at Harbor Light Brewery, South Haven 4-6pm
- Mark Kahny at Macatawa Country Club, Holland, 4-7pm
- Dean Alrick Piano at the What Not Inn, Fennville, 5-7pm

MONDAY, JUNE 13

- WEST MICHIGAN JAZZ SOCIETY AT MILLENIUM PARK, with West Ottawa High School Jazz Band 6:30-8:30PM
- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Rockwell Republic, 7-10pm
- Jim Cooper at Harbor Light Brewery, South Haven, with Jim Cicenia, 4-6pm
- Randy Marsh and Jeff Haas Trio at Workshop Brewery Co. Traverse City, 6-8:30pm
- · Monday Night Jam at What Not Inn, Fennville, 6-9pm

TUESDAY, JUNE 14

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Jeff Shoup Jazz Jam at Moriarity's Pub, Lansing, 7-9pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm

THURSDAY, JUNE 16

- Mark Kahny at Muskegon Country Club, Lakeshore Dr., piano and vocals, 5-8pm
- Walt Gutowski and the Bridge St. Band at Fratelli's Kitchen, 435 Bridge St., 6-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Beacon Corner Bar, 38 W. Fulton & Commerce, 7-10pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm
- The PHD's at Sandy Point Beach House, West Olive, 6-9pm

FRIDAY, JUNE 17

- John Shea Trio at Danzon Kitchen, 1 Carlton & Fulton St, 7-10pm
- Mike Hyde Trio with Mary Rademacher at Rendezvous, 8-11pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm

SATURDAY, JUNE 18

- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian, 6:30-9:30pm
- Mike Hyde Trio with Mary Rademacher at Rendezvous, 8-11pm

SUNDAY, JUNE 19

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Dean Alrick Piano at the What Not Inn, Fennville, 5-7pm
- Mary Rademacher and Kevin Cavanaugh at The Butler on the deck, Saugatuck, 4-7pm
- Mark Kahny at Macatawa Country Club, Holland, 4-7pm

MONDAY, JUNE 20

- · WEST MICHIGAN JAZZ SOCIETY AT MILLENIUM PARK, with Xavier Davis, 6:30-8:30PM
- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Rockwell Republic, 7-10pm
- Monday Night Jam at What Not Inn, Fennville, 6-9pm

TUESDAY, JUNE 21

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Jeff Shoup Jazz Jam at Moriarity's Pub, Lansing, 7-9pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm

THURSDAY, JUNE 23

- Walt Gutowski and the Bridge St. Band at Fratelli's Kitchen, 435 Bridge St.,
- John Shea Trio at Beacon Corner Bar, 38 W. Fulton & Commerce, 7-10pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm
- Mark Kahny at Muskegon Country Club, Lakeshore Dr., piano and vocals, 5-8pm

FRIDAY, JUNE 24

- John Shea Trio at Danzon Kitchen, 1 Carlton & Fulton St, 7-10pm
- The New Standard Guitar Trio at JW Marriott, 7-11pm
- Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Rendezvous, 8-11pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm
- · Mary Rademacher and Mark Kahny, Tim Johnson, Grand Lady Riverboat cruise, 6:00-8:30pm

SATURDAY, JUNE 25

- Mark Kahny at What Not Inn, Fennville, piano and vocals with guest TBD,
- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian, 6:30-9:30pm
- Jim Cooper Quartet at Saugatuck United Methodist Church, 7:30pm, \$10 cover
- Noelle Michaels Frost Trio at Rendezvous, 8-11pm
- Terry Lower with BLT Trio (Dr. Barry Ross and Lana Hoffman) at Carnegie Center, Sturgis concert at 7:30pm

SUNDAY, JUNE 26

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Grand Rapids Jazz Orch. at Creston Brewery, 1504 Plainfield NE, 5:30-7:30pm
- Mark Kahny at Macatawa Country Club, Holland, 4-7pm
- Dean Alrick Piano at the What Not Inn, Fennville, 5-7pm
- Terry Lower with BLT Trio at First United Methodist Church, Kalamazoo, Free TBA

MONDAY, JUNE 27

- · WEST MICHIGAN JAZZ SOCIETY AT MILLENIUM PARK. with John Gist, 6:30-8:30PM
- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Rockwell Republic, 7-10pm
- Randy Marsh and Jeff Haas Trio at Workshop Brewery Co. Traverse City,
- · Monday Night Jam at What Not Inn, Fennville, 6-9pm

TUESDAY, JUNE 28

• Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm

- Jeff Shoup Jazz Jam at Moriarity's Pub, Lansing, 7-9pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Walt Gutkowski and the Bridge St. Band at Bostwick Lake Inn, 6-8:30pm
- Jim Cooper Trio at GR Noir, 7:30pm, call for reservations 616-791-1191
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm

THURSDAY, JUNE 30

- Walt Gutowski and the Bridge St. Band at Fratelli's Kitchen, 435 Bridge St.,
- Mark Kahny at Muskegon CC, Lakeshore Dr., piano and vocals, 5-8pm
- JMM Jazz at Sandy Point Beach House, West Olive, 6-9pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm
- Randy Marsh and Jeff Haas Trio at Chateau Chantal in Traverse City, 7-9:30pm

From The Editor

Members: During the pandemic, I wrote an article about singer/pianist/composer, Tony DeSare posting a song a day on Facebook and YouTube while all live music was on hold. He recorded almost 300 days in a row.. Desare performed with The Grand Rapids Symphony in December and will now be at the Saugatuck Center for the Arts (or Mason St. Warehouse) on Friday, July 22. Tickets are selling fast! To order: https://www.sc4a.org/event/songdiaries-live/

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July Jazz Around West Michigan

FRIDAY, JULY 1

- John Shea Trio at Danzon Kitchen, 1 Carlton & Fulton St, 7-10pm
- Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Rendezvous, 8-11pm
- The New Standard Trio at American Dunes Golf Club, Lincoln St., Grand Haven, 6-9pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm
- West Michigan Wine and Jazz Festival at the Book Nook and Java Shop, Montague with The Pherotones at 7pm

SATURDAY, JULY 2

- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian, 6:30-9:30pm
- Mike Hyde Trio with Mary Rademacher, Rendezvous in Amway Grand 8-11pm
- Mark Kahny at Marrro's, Saugatuck, 7-10pm
- West Michigan Wine and Jazz Festival at the Book Nook and Java Shop, Montague with Xavier Davis Trio at 7pm

SUNDAY, JULY 3

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Dean Alrick Piano at the What Not Inn, Fennville, 5-7pm
- West Michigan Wine and Jazz Festival at the Book Nook and Java Shop, Montague with Aedan Mc Cauley Trio at 10am

MONDAY, JULY 4

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Monday Night Jam at What Not Inn, Fennville, 6-9pm
- West Michigan Wine and Jazz Festival at the Book Nook and Java Shop, Montague with Feral Cats Blues Band at 10am
- Mark Kahny Trio with Mary Rademacher and Francesca Amari at Mineral Springs, in Frankfort, free concert at 7-9:15pm

TUESDAY, JULY 5

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Jeff Shoup Jazz Jam at Moriarity's Pub, Lansing, 7-9pm
- West Michigan Wine and Jazz Festival at the Book Nook and Java Shop, Montague with Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Montague Bandshell, 7pm
- Mark Kahny Trio with Mary Rademacher and Francesca Amari at First St. Beach, Manistee, free concert at 7-9:15pm

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Walt Gutkowski and the Bridge St. Band at Bostwick Lake Inn,6-8:30pm
- Steve Hilger Quintet at GRNoir, 7:30pm, 616-719-1191 to reserve-75 mins.
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm
- Mark Kahny Trio with Mary Rademacher and Francesca Amari in Ludington on the waterfront, free concert at 7-9:15pm

THURSDAY, JULY 7

- Walt Gutowski and the Bridge St. Band at Fratelli's Kitchen, Bridge St. 6-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Beacon Corner Bar 7-10pm
- The New Standard Trio at Sandy Point Beach House, West Olive, 6-9pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm
- Randy Marsh and Jeff Haas Trio at Chateau Chantal in Traverse City, 7-9:30pm
- Mark Kahny Trio with Mary Rademacher and Francesca Amari at Cadillac Bandshell, free concert at 7-9:15pm

FRIDAY, JULY 8

• The New Standard at JW Marriott, 7-11pm

- John Shea Trio at Danzon Kitchen, 1 Carlton & Fulton St, 7-10pm
- Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Rendezvous, 8-11pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm
- Mark Kahny Trio with Mary Rademacher and Francesca Amari at Reed City, Rambandt Park, free concert at 7-9:15pm

SATURDAY, JULY 9

- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian, 6:30-9:30pm
- Mike Hyde Trio with Mary Rademacher at Rendezvous in Amway Grand
 8-11pm
- Mark Kahny Trio with Mary Rademacher and Francesca Amari at Wenger Pavilion in Baldwin, 7-9pm

SUNDAY, JULY 10

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Jim Cooper Trio at Harbor Light Brewery, South Haven, 4-6pm
- Big Band Nouveau at the Stray, 5pm
- Dean Alrick, Piano at the What Not Inn, Fennville, 5-7pm
- West Michigan Wine and Jazz Festival at the Book Nook and Java Shop, Montague with Paul Keller Quintet at 7pm
- Mark Kahny Trio with Mary Rademacher and Francesca Amari at Gull Landing, Pentwater, 6:30-10:30pm

MONDAY, JULY 11

- WEST MICHIGAN JAZZ SOCIETY AT MILLENIUM PARK, with Michael Drost Ouartet, 6:30-8:30pm
- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Randy Marsh and Jeff Haas Trio at Workshop Brewery Co. Traverse City, 6-8:30pm
- Monday Night Jam at What Not Inn, Fennville, 6-9pm

TUESDAY, JULY 12

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Jeff Shoup Jazz Jam at Moriarity's Pub, Lansing, 7-9pm
- Mark Kahny at Macatawa Golf Club, Holland, piano and vocals, 4-7pm

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Walt Gutkowski and the Bridge St. Band at Bostwick Lake Inn,6-8:30pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm

THURSDAY, JULY 14

- Walt Gutowski and the Bridge St. Band at Fratelli's Kitchen, 435 Bridge St., 6-8:30pm
- Tom Hagen Trio featuring Rick Reuther on the Grand Lady Riverboat, 6:30-9pm
- John Shea Trio at Beacon Corner Bar 7-10pm
- · Mark Kahny at Muskegon Country Club, 5-8pm
- In the Blue at Sandy Point Beach House, West Olive, 6-9pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm
- Randy Marsh and Jeff Haas Trio at Chateau Chantal in Traverse City, 7-9:30pm

FRIDAY, JULY 15

- John Shea Trio at Danzon Kitchen, 1 Carlton & Fulton St, 7-10pm
- The New Standard Trio at JW Marriott, 7-11pm
- Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Rendezvous, 8-11pm
- Mark Kahny at Muskegon Country Club, 5-8pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm

SATURDAY, JULY 16

- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian, 6:30-9:30pm
- Mike Hyde Trio with Mary Rademacher at Rendezvous, Amway Grand 8-11pm
- Mark Kahny and Bobby Thompson Duo at What Not Inn, Fennville, 6-9pm

SUNDAY, JULY 17

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Dean Alrick Piano at the What Not Inn, Fennville, 5-7pm
- Terry Lower Trio with Edye Evans Hyde at Michigan Jazz Festival, Schoolcraft College
- Livonia, all day free jazz festival with several stages, Trio at 3:15pm

MONDAY, JULY 18

- WEST MICHIGAN JAZZ SOCIETY AT MILLENIUM PARK, with Sarah Whitaker Group 6:30-8:30PM
- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Monday Night Jam at What Not Inn, Fennville, 6-9pm

TUESDAY, JULY 19

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Mark Kahny at Macatawa Golf Club, Holland, piano and vocals, 4-7pm
- Jeff Shoup Jazz Jam at Moriarity's Pub, Lansing, 7-9pm

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Walt Gutkowski and the Bridge St. Band at Bostwick Lake Inn,6-8:30pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm

THURSDAY, JULY 21

- Walt Gutowski and the Bridge St. Band at Fratelli's Kitchen, 435 Bridge St., 6-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Beacon Corner Bar 7-10pm
- Jim Cooper Trio at Harbor Light Brewery, South Haven, 4-6pm
- Mark Kahny at Muskegon Country Club, Lakeshore Dr., piano and vocals, 4-7pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm
- Randy Marsh and Jeff Haas Trio at Chateau Chantal in Traverse City,
 7-9:30pm

FRIDAY, JULY 22

- John Shea Trio at Danzon Kitchen, 1 Carlton & Fulton St, 7-10pm
- Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Rendezvous, 8-11pm
- Mark Kahny at Marro's, Saugatuck, 7-10pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm

SATURDAY, JULY 23

- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian, 6:30-9:30pm
- Mike Hyde Trio with Mary Rademacher at Rendezvous, Amway Grand, 8-11pm
- Mark Kahny and Bobby Thompson Duo at What Not Inn, Fennville, 6-9pm

SUNDAY, JULY 24

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Evidence Jazz Group at Greyline Brewery, 1727 Alpine NW, 12-2pm
- Dean Alrick Piano at the What Not Inn, Fennville, 5-7pm

MONDAY, JULY 25

- WEST MICHIGAN JAZZ SOCIETY AT MILLENIUM PARK, with Truth in Jazz Orchestra 6:30-8:30PM
- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm

- · John Shea Trio at Rockwell Republic, 7-10pm
- Open Mic at What Not Inn, 6-9pm, Fennville (exit off US31)
- Randy Marsh and Jeff Haas Trio at Workshop Brewery Co. Traverse City, 6-8:30pm
- Monday Night Jam at What Not Inn, Fennville, 6-9pm

TUESDAY, JULY 26

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Mark Kahny at Macatawa Golf Club, Holland, piano and vocals, 4-7pm
- Jeff Shoup Jazz Jam at Moriarity's Pub, Lansing, 7-9pm

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

- Walt Gutkowski and the Bridge St. Band at Bostwick Lake Inn,6-8:30pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm
- Grand Rapids Jazz Orchestra at Wenger Pavilion, Baldwin, 6:30-8:30pm
- Robin Connell and Yuriana Sobrino Garcia at the Listening Room, 7:30pm

THURSDAY, JULY 28

- Walt Gutowski and the Bridge St. Band at Fratelli's Kitchen, 435 Bridge St., 6-8:30pm
- Grand Rapids Jazz Orchestra Kentwood Summer Series, 6:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Beacon Corner Bar 7-10pm
- Mark Kahny at Muskegon Country Club, Lakeshore Dr., piano and vocals, 4-7pm
- JMM Jazz at Sandy Point Beach House, West Olive, 6-9pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm
- Djangophonique at Book Nook and Java Shop, Montague, 7pm
- Randy Marsh and Jeff Haas Trio at Chateau Chantal in Traverse City, 7-9:30pm

FRIDAY, JULY 29

- John Shea Trio at Danzon Kitchen, 1 Carlton & Fulton St, 7-10pm
- Edye Evans Hyde Trio at Rendezvous, 8-11pm
- · Mark Kahny at Marro's, Saugatuck, 7-10pm
- Terry Lower Trio at Clara's on the River, Battle Creek, 6-10pm

SATURDAY, JULY 30

- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian, 6:30-9:30pm
- Noelle Michaels Frost Trio at Rendezvous, 8-11pm
- Mary Rademacher, Francesca Amari and Kevin Cavanaugh On the Grand Lady Riverboat, grandlady.info for reservations, 6:00-8:30pm

SUNDAY, JULY 31

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Grand Rapids Jazz Orchestra at Creston Brewery, 5:30-7:30pm
- Mary Rademacher and Kevin Cavanaugh on the patio at The Butler in Saugatuck, 4-7pm
- Dean Alrick, Piano at the What Not Inn, Fennville, 5-7pm

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