

WEST MICHIGAN JAZZ SOCIETY PRESENTS



## SAVE THE DATES FOR JAZZ IN THE PARK!

June 12th, 19th, 26th; July 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st (July 3rd off);  
August 7th, 14th, 21st with one rain date on the 28th.



**March 20, 2023**  
Rick Hicks Quartet/Trio

Rick Hicks Group - Hicks is a Muskegon native; a popular and seasoned blues guitarist and singer who also excels in jazz and R&B. He was featured at Jazz in the Park this summer and is back by request! A humble, but sharp-witted personality on stage, Hicks brings his own soulful repertoire to life.



**April 17, 2023**  
Patty Gayle Group featuring Kevin Cavanaugh on keys

Popular Vocalist Patty Gayle returns for the fourth time to our Gumbo series with a jazzy spring fling theme. Gayle has been an active musical theatre performer over the years, as well. She majored in musical theatre and comedy at University of Miami, graduated from Interlochen Arts Academy, and toured with the USO with the Northeast Command.

Versatile pianist/vocalist/songwriter, Kevin Cavanaugh recently returned to West Michigan after a 22 year long career playing music in San Diego, CA. He has worked in many genres, including jazz, pop, theatre and more. His vocal 60's lounge group Blue Velvet was featured on America's Got Talent and he has revived the group here again in West MI.

### SPONSORSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE FOR MARCH AND APRIL'S MONDAY NIGHT JAZZ GUMBOS.

Get in on this deal!! A table for eight people costs \$500, for four people the cost is \$250, or \$125 per couple.

Participants/Guests do not have to be WMJS members. They will all receive entrance to the concert, choice of dinner, and free drinks! The sponsor gets the choice of any table in the house, and this sponsorship can be used as a tax deduction. Folks are always asking, "Where do you need help financially?" This would be a great way to help us keep the music playing! We gratefully welcome your sponsorship.



### MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2023 ARE DUE NOW!

Please renew by visiting our website, <https://wmichjazz.org/membership>.

You can also mail a check made out to West Michigan Jazz Society to the following address: P.O. Box 150307, Grand Rapids, MI 49515

If you don't want to become a member of WMJS please consider donating by going to our page. <https://wmichjazz.org/donations-to-west-michigan-jazz-society>.

Thank you again for being members of the West Michigan Jazz Society in 2022, and we look forward to seeing you again at events in 2023!

## Letter from the President

Hello, everyone! I hope you had a good start to the new year.

The West Michigan Jazz Society is focused on the sustainability of our non-profit organization whose mission is to advance, uphold and sustain live jazz in West Michigan through promotion, performance and education.

This year we will be holding a new event called "A Magical Evening: Jazzing Up Our Legacy". It will be on June 1, 2023 at the enchanting home of Kent and Susan Riddle. At this event, we will be honoring two highly respected individuals in our community. They are both individuals who appreciate and promote jazz, each in their own way. We will be sharing more about both of them in future newsletters and at the event.

Eddie Tadlock will be receiving the Betty Forrest Jazz Ambassador Award. The WMJS Betty Forrest Jazz Ambassador award is presented annually to someone who has kept the spirit and tradition of jazz music alive in West Michigan

through advocacy, mentorship or education and actively supports the power of music and its capacity to bring people together.



Dr. James Sawyer will be receiving the 2023 Musician of the Year Award. This award was established in 2000 to honor outstanding local musicians and is given annually to recognize someone who has contributed to the West Michigan scene in perpetuating a greater awareness of jazz, especially in the past year.

Please take a moment to read how you can help support this event. Your sponsorship and attendance at this event are needed to help us make this a success! We truly appreciate it!

-Michelle Needham

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## Amazon smile donations ended Feb 20th, 2023

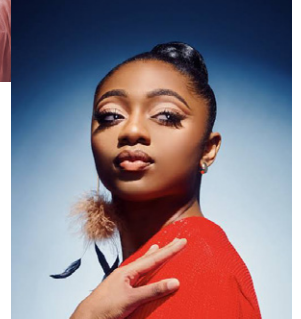
The Amazon smile logo, featuring the word "amazon" in black and "smile" in orange, with a curved orange arrow underneath "amazon" pointing towards "smile".

NOTE: When shopping Amazon, please shop under [Smile.amazon.com](https://Smile.amazon.com). You can select WMJS as a nonprofit and we will receive a portion of your purchase donated back to us from Amazon!



# The Grammys

New jazz vocal sensation, Samara Joy won her first two Grammy Awards on Sunday, February 5, including best new artist. With her upcoming Verve Records debut, *Linger Awhile*, 23-year-old Samara Joy makes her case to join the likes of Sarah, Ella, and Billie as the next mononymous jazz singing sensation recorded by the venerable label. Her voice, rich and velvety yet precociously refined, has already earned her fans like Anita Baker and Regina King, appearances on the TODAY Show and millions of likes on TikTok — cementing her status as perhaps the first Gen Z jazz singing star. On *Linger Awhile*, Samara will introduce that massive audience to a slew of classic standards several times older than she is through her timeless, irresistible sound.



Terri Lyne Carrington, Arturo O’Farrill, Wayne Shorter and Snarky Puppy were some of the other winners of the 65th annual Grammy Awards. This year’s winners of the Grammys’ jazz categories turned out to be a mix of new and familiar names. Wayne Shorter and Leo Genovese shared the award for best improvised jazz solo for “Endangered Species.” Terri Lyne Carrington’s *New Standards, Vol.1* took the award for best instrumental jazz album. Arturo O’Farrill & The Afro Latin Jazz Orchestra won best Latin jazz album for *Fandango at the Wall* in New York.

Steven Feifke, Bijon Watson and the Generation Gap Jazz Orchestra’s self-titled release won the title of best large jazz ensemble album. The album was released by Vancouver-based Cellar Music Group, marking a rare Grammy victory for a Canadian jazz record label. Best traditional pop vocal album went to Michael Bublé’s *Higher*. *Jazz Fest: A New Orleans Story* won the Grammy for best music film.

## Best Improvised Jazz Solo

- Wayne Shorter & Leo Genovese – *Endangered Species*

## Best Jazz Vocal Album

- Samara Joy – *Linger Awhile*

## Best Jazz Instrumental Album

- Terri Lyne Carrington, Kris Davis, Linda May Han Oh, Nicholas Payton & Matthew Stevens – *New Standards, Vol. 1*

## Best Large Jazz Ensemble Album

- Steven Feifke, Bijon Watson & Generation Gap Jazz Orchestra – *Generation Gap Jazz Orchestra*

## Best Arrangement, Instruments and Vocals

- Christine McVie – *Songbird (Orchestral Version)*

## Best Latin Jazz Album

- Arturo O’Farrill & The Afro Latin Jazz Orchestra feat. the Congra Patria Son Jarocho Collective – *Fandango at the Wall* in New York

## Best Contemporary Instrumental Album

- Snarky Puppy – *Empire Central*

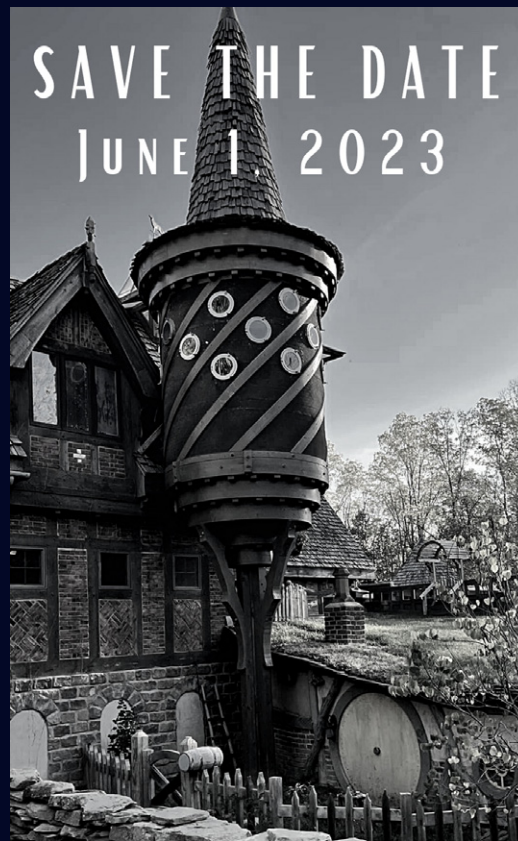
## Best Instrumental Composition

- Geoffrey Keezer – *Refuge*

## Best Arrangement, Instrumental or A Cappella

- Magnus Lindgren, John Beasley & The SWR Big Band feat. Martin Auer – *Scrapple From the Apple*





## A MAGICAL EVENING JAZZING UP OUR LEGACY

CELEBRATING  
**EDDIE TADLOCK**  
2023 BETTY FORREST JAZZ AMBASSADOR  
&  
**DR. JAMES SAWYER**  
2023 MUSICIAN OF THE YEAR

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\$5,000

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- Admission for 8
- Recognition all year long at every workshop and event
- Early arrival tour of Riddle Home with other major donors

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\$2,500

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- Recognition in the program
- Recognition on social media
- Admission for 8
- Early arrival tour of Riddle Home with other major donors

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- Admission for 4

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- Recognition on social media
- Admission for 2

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\$250

- Recognition in program
- Recognition on social media
- Admission for 1

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## A MAGICAL EVENING JAZZING UP OUR LEGACY

*Celebrating:*

Dr. James Sawyer  
2023 Musician of the Year  
&  
Eddie Tadlock,  
Betty Forrest Jazz  
Ambassador

At the enchanting home of  
Kent & Susan Riddle

Proceeds benefit the  
West Michigan Jazz Society

[www.wmichjazz.org](http://www.wmichjazz.org)

**West Michigan Jazz Society**  
***AN EVENING OF MAGIC, Jazzing Up Our Legacy***  
**Celebrating:**  
**Betty Forrest Jazz Ambassador, EDDIE TADLOCK**  
**& 2023 Musician of the Year, DR. JAMES SAWYER**

**June 1, 2023**

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**\*\*Deadline for Presenting Sponsorship recognition on invite is March 1, 2023. \*Deadline for camera-ready copy for Banners/Posters/Program is April 1, 2023.**





**Shayna Steele, vocalist at  
Midtown Listening Room  
March 21, Tuesday 7:30 pm.  
Doors open at 6.**

There's no need to sugar coat it since her impressive credits speak for themselves. Her colleagues praise her ability, her dedication and drive to perfecting her craft as a professional singer and knockout performer. With a voice that the London Jazz News says "unleashes enough voltage to light up the West End", Shayna Steele has made her mark as an in-demand vocalist in the studio and on the stage.

At the age of 15, Broadway (Rent, Jesus Christ Superstar, Hairspray) and international vocalist Shayna Steele's appearance on Ed McMahon's Star Search was her first experience performing in front of a nationally televised audience.

Shayna has appeared as a soloist and guest artist with over 40 symphony orchestras throughout North America. Her most recent solo concert Nothin' But the Blues, written and conducted by Maestro Jeff Tyzik, is one of many highlights in her symphonic solo career. A Portland Press review of Shayna's performance with the Portland Symphony Orchestra (Portland, ME) said her "...blues program ranked among the PSO's best." – Steve Feeney (May 24, 2021)

Shayna recently returned to school 25 years later to finish what she started. She is currently working on her Bachelor's degree in Interdisciplinary Music Studies at Berklee College of Music where she is currently on the Dean's List. She continues to tour all over the world with her band playing her original music, is a regular guest artist with Grammy-award winning trumpeter Chris Botti and is recording her 4th studio album, set for release in Fall of 2022.

 **fontana**



**Immanuel Wilkins Quartet**

**Friday, March 24 at 7:30pm**

**Dalton Recital Center Bldg.  
Western Michigan University  
Kalamazoo, Michigan 49008**

Fontana Music presents an evening of jazz with the Immanuel Wilkins Quartet on Friday, March 24 at 7:30 pm on the Kalamazoo campus of Western Michigan University. The music of saxophonist and composer Immanuel Wilkins is filled with empathy and conviction, bonding arcs of melody and lamentation to pluming gestures of space and breath. Listeners were introduced to this riveting sound with his acclaimed debut album Omega, which was named the #1 Jazz Album of 2020 by the New York Times. The evening's program will be announced from the stage.





SPARTAN STRONG

**Just don't give up** trying to do what you really want to do. Where there is **love and inspiration**, I don't think you can go wrong.

— Ella Fitzgerald

AZ QUOTES



It's part of life to have obstacles. It's about overcoming obstacles; that's the key to happiness.

— Herbie Hancock —

AZ QUOTES

The West Michigan Jazz Society is aware of and reflects on the tragic events that happened at MSU recently. With many of our former scholarship recipients, jazz musicians in West Michigan, community members, and even our current board members being directly involved with MSU we wanted to share our support in these difficult times. Stay #spartanstrong MSU.

THE IRVING S. GILMORE SCHOOL OF MUSIC's  
**GOLD COMPANY**  
Presents  
**SAPPHIRE**  
Celebrating 45 Years of Song



Featuring  
Guest  
Artist  
**MICHAEL MAYO**



March 17 & 18, 2023  
7:30PM

March 19, 2023  
2:00PM

Adults - \$20  
Students & Seniors - \$10

Dalton Center Recital Hall  
at Western Michigan University



"Sapphire: Celebrating 45 Years of Song" is one month away! The show, featuring Gold Company, GCII, several exciting production numbers and special guest vocalist, Michael Mayo, will take place on WMU's campus in the Dalton Center Recital Hall. Tickets are \$20 for the general public and \$10 for students and seniors.

[https://wmumusic.ludus.com/index.php?show\\_id=20361](https://wmumusic.ludus.com/index.php?show_id=20361)

Here's the information for the show:

Friday, 3/17 at 7:30 pm

Saturday, 3/18 at 7:30 pm

Sunday, 3/19 at 2:00 pm

Michael Mayo: <https://www.michaelmayomusic.com/>  
The Gold Company program is now in its 45th year. This big spring show, formerly called "Miller Show," is one of the longest-standing traditions of this award-winning program. We're really excited to bring this production to life and would love to share the experience with you!

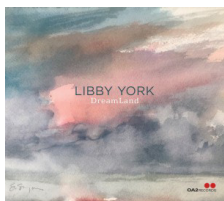
# THE GILMORE

## **The Maria Schneider Orchestra presents DATA LORDS** **Sunday, March 12, 2023, 4:00 PM Chenery Auditorium, Kalamazoo**

An artist known for blurring the lines between genres, Maria Schneider makes music hailed by critics with a raft of superlatives. Her 2020 double album “Data Lords” was a Pulitzer Prize finalist, won two Grammy Awards, was named Jazz Album of the Year by the Jazz Journalists Association and NPR, and won France’s prestigious Grand Prix de l’Académie du Jazz.

Of the album, Nate Chinen of NPR writes “On the whole and in the details, it amounts to the most daring work of Schneider’s career, which sets the bar imposingly high. This is music of extravagant mastery, and it comes imbued with a spirit of risk.” “To call Schneider the most important woman in jazz is missing the point two ways. She is a major composer – period.”

One of the few to receive Grammys in jazz, classical, and rock music—the latter for her work with David Bowie—Schneider was elected in 2020 to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and in 2019 was named an NEA Jazz Master by the National Endowment for the Arts. The Maria Schneider Orchestra, composed of 18 of the finest jazz musicians of the day, performs worldwide, tackling Schneider’s lush, complex works and bringing 21st-century energy to the jazz orchestra landscape.



### **LIBBY YORK - DREAMLAND**

Libby York has performed in West Michigan often over the years and presided in the Saugatuck area for a decade. York splits her time between Chicago and Key West in particular, with guest appearances in NYC, CA, MD and

Paris. Dreamland, recorded in Lansing, MI at Troubadour Studios, is currently #12 on the Roots Music Chart for jazz albums.

Vocalist Libby York gives casual and intimate servings of standards with the deft team of guitarist Randy Napoleon and bassist Rodney Whitaker, with drummer Keith Hall sitting in for a handful of mellow tones. There’s a maturity to her calm enunciation of pieces like the gentle “Cloudy Morning” and patient “Estrada Branca”. She sits well with Napoleon, soft together on “Something Cool” and the spacious “When October Goes” while going into dark territory with Whitaker on “Throw It Away” and going hipster on “Moon Ray”. Hall’s brushes waft with York on “It’s Love” add a subliminal pulse to “An Occasional Man”. York is at her cooing best on “Mountain Greenery” and the fun “Rhode Island Is Famous For You, displaying her subtle sense of swing. Proving a lot by showing she has nothing to prove.



- George Harris, Jazz Weekly



# March Jazz Around West Michigan

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Beacon Corner Bar, 6:30-9:30pm
- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Lake Bluff Grill, Muskegon Country Club, Lakeshore Dr, 5-8pm

## THURSDAY, MARCH 2

- The New Standard at Sandy Point Beach House, West Olive, 6-9pm
- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Boatwerks, Holland, 5-8pm

## FRIDAY, MARCH 3

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, Eastern Ave SE, 6-9pm
- Tim Johnson and Big Daddy Fox at Porto Bello, Grand Haven, 6-10pm

## SATURDAY, MARCH 4

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, Eastern Ave SE, 6-9pm
- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian restaurant, 6:30-9:30pm
- Western Mich. Univ Invitational Jazz Festival at Dalton Center Recital Hall, 7:30pm

## SUNDAY, MARCH 5

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Turnstiles Jazz Brunch, Open Mic at 526 Stocking NW, 2-5pm, no cover
- Lafayette Gunter and friends at Switchback Gear Exchange, 2166 Plainfield NE, 4-7pm
- Acana performing Latin Jazz with Tom Knific, Steve Talaga, Rob Mulligan, Tom Lockwood and Oscar Gonzalez at Jungle Bird Kalamazoo, 155 W. Michigan Ave. 6-9pm

## MONDAY, MARCH 6

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Republic, 7-10pm
- Randy Marsh and Jeff Haas Trio at Workshop Brewery Co. Traverse City, 6-8:30pm

## TUESDAY, MARCH 7

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Jazz at Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave, Lansing, 7pm

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Beacon Corner Bar, 6:30-9:30pm
- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Lake Bluff Grill, Muskegon Country Club, Lakeshore Dr, 5-8pm

## THURSDAY, MARCH 9

- In the Blue at Sandy Point Beach House, West Olive, 6-9pm
- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Boatwerks, Holland, 5-8pm

## FRIDAY, MARCH 10

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, Eastern Ave SE, 6-9pm

## SATURDAY, MARCH 11

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, Eastern Ave SE, 6-9pm
- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian Restaurant, 6:30-9:30pm
- Tim Johnson and Paul Lesinski at Porto Bello, Grand Haven, 6-10pm

## SUNDAY, MARCH 12

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Turnstiles Jazz Brunch, Open Mic at 526 Stocking NW, 2-5pm, no cover
- Lafayette Gunter and friends at Switchback Gear Exchange, 2166 Plainfield NE, 4-7pm

## SUNDAY, MARCH 12

- Acana performing Latin Jazz with Tom Knific, Steve Talaga, Rob Mulligan, Tom Lockwood and Oscar Gonzalez at Jungle Bird Kalamazoo, 155 W. Michigan Ave. 6-9pm.
- Maria Schneider Orchestra at Chenery Auditorium, 714 S. Westnedge, Kalamazoo, 4-5:30pm <https://g.co/kgs/93qCQ6>

## MONDAY, MARCH 13

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Republic, 7-10pm

## TUESDAY, MARCH 14

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Jazz at Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave, Lansing, 7pm

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Beacon Corner Bar, 6:30-9:30pm
- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Lake Bluff Grill, Muskegon Country Club, 5-8pm

## THURSDAY, MARCH 16

- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Boatwerks, Holland, 5-8pm
- BPM Jazz at Sandy Point Beach House, West Olive, 6-9pm

## FRIDAY, MARCH 17

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, Eastern Ave SE, 6-9pm
- WMU, GC45 Gold Company with guest vocalist Michael Mayo at Dalton Center Recital Hall, Kalamazoo, 7:30pm

## SATURDAY, MARCH 18

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, Eastern Ave SE, 6-9pm
- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian restaurant, 6:30-9:30pm
- WMU, GC45 Gold Company, guest vocalist Michael Mayo at Dalton Center Recital Hall, Kalamazoo, 7:30pm [https://wmumusic.ludus.com/index.php?show\\_id=20361](https://wmumusic.ludus.com/index.php?show_id=20361)
- Tim Johnson and Scott Bell at Porto Bello, Grand Haven, 6-10pm

## SUNDAY, MARCH 19

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Turnstiles Jazz Brunch, Open Mic at 526 Stocking NW, 2-5pm, no cover
- Lafayette Gunter and friends at Switchback Gear Exchange, 2166 Plainfield NE, 4-7pm
- Acana performing Latin Jazz with Tom Knific, Steve Talaga, Rob Mulligan, Tom Lockwood and Oscar Gonzalez at Jungle Bird Kalamazoo, 155 W. Michigan Ave. 6-9pm.
- WMU, GC45 Gold Company at Dalton Center Recital Hall, 2pm

## MONDAY, MARCH 20

- **WEST MICHIGAN JAZZ SOCIETY** at the Casino Club, 3260 Salerno Dr. with Rick Hicks Quartet. Cost is \$15.00 for WMJS members, \$20.00 for non-members, \$10.00 students with ID. (If you choose not to get a food ticket, the price will be \$5.00 less) Doors open at 6:00pm, 6:30-8:30 pm
- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Republic, 7-10pm
- Randy Marsh and Jeff Haas Trio at Workshop Brewery Co. Traverse City, 6-8:30pm

## TUESDAY, MARCH 21

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Shayna Steele Vocalist at Midtown (The Listening Room), 7:30pm <https://www.listeningroomgr.com/shows-events/detail/Shayna-Steele>
- Jazz at Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave, Lansing, 7pm

## **TUESDAY, MARCH 21**

- Truth in Jazz Orchestra at Wonderland Distillery, Lakeshore Dr., Muskegon, 7:30-9:30pm
- Randy Marsh and Jeff Haas Trio at Workshop Brewery Co. Traverse City, 6-8:30pm

## **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22**

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- The Listening Room is NOW called MIDTOWN. Shayna Steele at 7:30 pm, tickets \$25
- John Shea Trio at Beacon Corner Bar, 6:30-9:30pm
- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Lake Bluff Grill, Muskegon Country Club, 5-8pm

## **THURSDAY, MARCH 23**

- Randy Marsh and Clif Metcalf, Shake and Bake at Sandy Point Beach House, West Olive, 6-9pm
- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Boatwerks, Holland, 5-8pm

## **FRIDAY, MARCH 24**

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, Eastern Ave SE, 6-9pm
- Fontana Music - Immanuel Wilkins Quartet at Dalton Recital Center Hall, Western Michigan Univ. 7:30pm [www.fontanachamberarts.org](http://www.fontanachamberarts.org)

## **SATURDAY, MARCH 25**

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, Eastern Ave SE, 6-9pm
- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian restaurant, 6:30-9:30pm

## **SUNDAY, MARCH 26**

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Turnstiles Jazz Brunch, Open Mic at 526 Stocking NW, 2-5pm, no cover
- Lafayette Gunter and friends at Switchback Gear Exchange, 2166 Plainfield NE, 4-7pm
- Grand Rapids Jazz Orchestra at Creston Brewery, Plainfield NE, 5:30-7:30pm
- Acana performing Latin Jazz, Tom Knific, Steve Talaga, Rob Mulligan, Tom Lockwood and Oscar Gonzalez at Jungle Bird Kalamazoo, 155 W. Michigan Ave. 6-9pm

## **MONDAY, MARCH 27**

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Republic, 7-10pm
- WMU Drum Choir, at Dalton Recital Hall, Kalamazoo, 5pm Free

## **TUESDAY, MARCH 28**

- 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
- Jazz at Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave, Lansing, 7pm
- Jazz Combo Showcase, Dalton Recital Hall, Kalamazoo, 5pm, Free

## **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29**

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Beacon Corner Bar, 6:30-9:30pm
- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Lake Bluff Grill, Muskegon Country Club, 5-8pm

## **THURSDAY, MARCH 30**

- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Boatwerks, Holland, 5-8pm
- Sandy Point Beach House Jazz TBD, 6-9pm

## **FRIDAY, MARCH 31**

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, Eastern Ave SE, 6-9pm

# **April Jazz Around West Michigan**

## **SATURDAY, APRIL 1**

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, Eastern Ave SE, 6-9pm
- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian Restaurant, 6:30-9:30pm
- Tim Johnson and Big Daddy Fox at Porto Bello, Grand Haven, 6-10pm

## **SUNDAY, APRIL 2**

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Turnstiles Jazz Brunch, Open Mic at 526 Stocking NW, 2-5pm, no cover
- Lafayette Gunter and friends at Switchback Gear Exchange, 2166 Plainfield NE, 4-7pm
- Acana performing Latin Jazz, Tom Knific, Steve Talaga, Rob Mulligan, Tom Lockwood and Oscar Gonzalez at Jungle Bird Kalamazoo, 155 W. Michigan Ave. 6-9pm

## **MONDAY, APRIL 3**

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Republic, 7-10pm
- Randy Marsh and Jeff Haas Trio at Workshop Brewery Co. Traverse City, 6-8:30pm

## **TUESDAY, APRIL 4**

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- University Jazz Lab Band, Carlos DeRosa Dir., Dalton Recital Hall, Kalamazoo 7:30pm, Free
- Jazz at Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave, Lansing, 7pm

## **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5**

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Beacon Corner Bar, 6:30-9:30pm
- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Lake Bluff Grill, Muskegon Country Club, Lakeshore Dr, 5-8pm
- David Berkman, piano at Dalton Center Lecture Hall, Kalamazoo 7:30pm, Free

## **THURSDAY, APRIL 6**

- Gold Company II, Liz Townsend, Dir., Dalton Recital Hall, Kalamazoo 7:30pm, Free
- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Boatwerks, Holland, 5-8pm
- BPM Jazz at Sandy Point Beach House, West Olive, 6-9pm

## **FRIDAY, APRIL 7**

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, Eastern Ave SE, 6-9pm
- Steve Hilger and Randy Marsh at GR Noir, 6-9pm

## **SATURDAY, APRIL 8**

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, Eastern Ave SE, 6-9pm
- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian Restaurant, 6:30-9:30pm
- Tim Johnson and Paul Lesinski at Porto Bello, Grand Haven, 6-10pm

## **SUNDAY, APRIL 9**

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Turnstiles Jazz Brunch, Open Mic at 526 Stocking NW, 2-5pm, no cover
- Lafayette Gunter and friends at Switchback Gear Exchange, 2166 Plainfield NE, 4-7pm
- Acana performing Latin Jazz, Tom Knific, Steve Talaga, Rob Mulligan, Tom Lockwood and Oscar Gonzalez at Jungle Bird Kalamazoo, 155 W. Michigan Ave. 6-9p

#### MONDAY, APRIL 10

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Republic, 7-10pm

#### TUESDAY, APRIL 11

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- Jazz at Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave, Lansing, 7pm

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Beacon Corner Bar, 38 Fulton St. 6:30-9:30pm
- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Lake Bluff Grill, Muskegon Country Club, 5-8pm

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 13

- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Boatwerks, Holland, 5-8pm
- In the Blue at Sandy Point Beach House, West Olive, 6-9pm

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 14

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, Eastern Ave SE, 6-9pm

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 15

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, Eastern Ave SE, 6-9pm
- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian Restaurant, 6:30-9:30pm

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 16

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Turnstiles Jazz Brunch, Open Mic at 526 Stocking NW, 2-5pm, no cover
- Lafayette Gunter and friends at Switchback Gear Exchange, 2166 Plainfield NE, 4-7pm
- Acana performing Latin Jazz, Tom Knific, Steve Talaga, Rob Mulligan, Tom Lockwood and Oscar Gonzalez at Jungle Bird Kalamazoo, 155 W. Michigan Ave. 6-9pm

#### MONDAY, APRIL 17

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Republic, 7-10pm
- Randy Marsh and Jeff Haas Trio at Workshop Brewery Co. Traverse City, 6-8:30pm

#### TUESDAY, APRIL 18

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE 5:30-8:30pm
- Truth in Jazz Orchestra at Wonderland Distillery, Lakeshore Dr., Muskegon, 7:30-9:30pm
- Jazz at Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave, Lansing, 7pm

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Beacon Corner Bar, 38 Fulton St. 6:30-9:30pm
- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Lake Bluff Grill, Muskegon Country Club, 5-8pm

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 20

- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Boatwerks, Holland, 5-8pm
- The New Standard at Sandy Point Beach House, West Olive, 6-9pm

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 21

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE, 6-9pm

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 22

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE, 6-9pm
- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian Restaurant, 6:30-9:30pm
- Tim Johnson and Scott Bell at Porto Bello, Grand Haven, 6-10pm

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 23

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Turnstiles Jazz Brunch, Open Mic at 526 Stocking NW, 2-5pm, no cover
- Lafayette Gunter and friends at Switchback Gear Exchange, 2166 Plainfield NE, 4-7pm
- Acana performing Latin Jazz Tom Knific, Steve Talaga, Rob Mulligan, Tom Lockwood and Oscar Gonzalez at Jungle Bird Kalamazoo, 155 W. Michigan Ave. 6-9pm

#### MONDAY, APRIL 24

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Republic, 7-10pm

#### TUESDAY, APRIL 25

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE 5:30-8:30pm
- Jazz at Moriarty's Pub, 802 E. Michigan Ave, Lansing, 7pm

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

- Robin Connell at The Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE 5:30-8:30pm
- John Shea Trio at Beacon Corner Bar, 38 Fulton St. 6:30-9:30pm
- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Lake Bluff Grill, Muskegon Country Club, 5-8pm

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 27

- Shake and Bake Duo Randy Marsh and Clif Metcalf at Sandy Point Beach House, West Olive, 6-9pm
- Mike Frost and Mike Hyde at Boatwerks, Holland, 5-8pm

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 28

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE, 6-9pm

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 29

- Third Coast Swing at the Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE, 6-9pm
- John Shea Trio at Noto's Old World Italian Restaurant, 6:30-9:30pm

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 30

- Fred Knapp Trio at The Old Goat, 2434 Eastern Ave. SE, 11am-2pm
- Turnstiles Jazz Brunch, Open Mic at 526 Stocking NW, 2-5pm, no cover
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