





SALUTE-

Sean Dobbins

This year the Michigan Jazz Festival is pleased to salute drummer Sean Dobbins, one of the area's most talented and hard-working musicians. He has long been a friend of the Festival, and the feeling is mutual.

Dobbins got his start in the local jazz scene as a sideman for legendary trumpeter Louis Smith. His career grew quickly, having performed, toured and recorded with artists such as Benny Golson, Dr. Lonnie Smith, Frank Morgan, Joey DeFrancesco, George Cables, Marcus Belgrave, Claude Black, David "Fathead" Newman, Mose Allison, and a host of other great musicians.

Dobbins is a product of the Ann Arbor Public Schools. As a young musician, he was the recipient of the Louis Armstrong Scholarship and the Woody Herman Jazz Award. Today he makes jazz education a priority. He is on the faculty of the University of Michigan, Oakland University, and Wayne State University, and he is executive/artistic director for the Southeastern Music Academy.

At today's festival, two of Dobbins' student groups will be performing on the SEMJA Future of Jazz Stage. He will serve as drummer and clinician for today's Playing with the Pros session, and his Organ Quartet will wrap up the 2015 Festival with a performance on the St. John Providence Stage. Sean, for everything you do, thank you.



Midge Ellis 1923-2015

In the Michigan Jazz Festival, Midge Ellis combined her love for jazz— and the people who play it— with her extraordinary gifts for organizing people, places and things. For us she was an ardent, tireless source of drive and inspiration. And so



at this, our first post-Midge Festival, we pause to reflect upon our undying love for Mama Jazz. We hear her legacy in every note.

STAGE HOSTS

Alisa Zee

The Specs Howard School of Media Arts and University of Michigan graduate currently works for iHeartMedia, Inc., and is known for longstanding traffic/weather radio reporting.

Jim Gallert

Public radio host, historian, and great friend to Detroit jazz artists, he is also co-author of the landmark book "Before Motown."

Paul Hunt

Our veteran big band room host has also played as a drummer with such notables as Woody Herman, Lionel Hampton, Terry Gibbs, and John Trudell.

Ken Murray

He is a lifetime jazz fan, dear friend of drummer Jerry McKenzie, entrepreneur and—at times—stand-up comedian.

Michael G. Nastos

A member of the MJF Board of Directors, he's also the Vice President of SEMJA, 40-year radio host, monthly writer for *Hot House Jazz Guide* from New York City, and event producer.

John Penney

Penney is host of the Saturday evening show "JazzFest Detroit," 7–9 p.m., on WRCJ, 90.9 FM, and director of the American Music Research Foundation.

Barrie Woodey

Our friend from Canada hosts the longest running (30 years) jazz program in Canada, "Jazz For A Sunday Night," on 94.9, CHRW-FM in London, Ontario.

Linda Yohn

The morning host and music director for several decades at WEMU, 89.1 FM, Linda has been a fixture at the The Tent stage.

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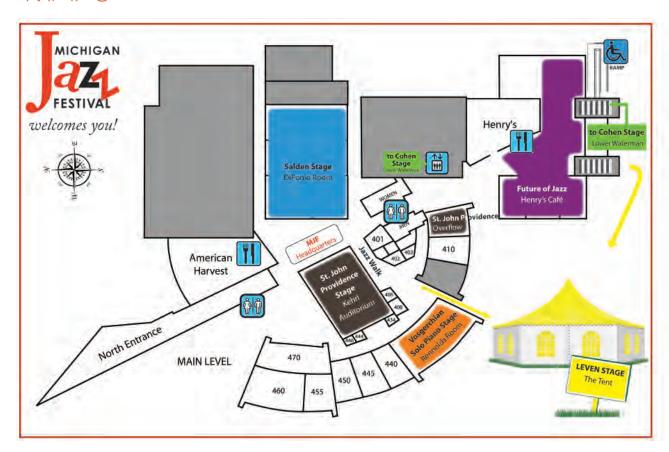
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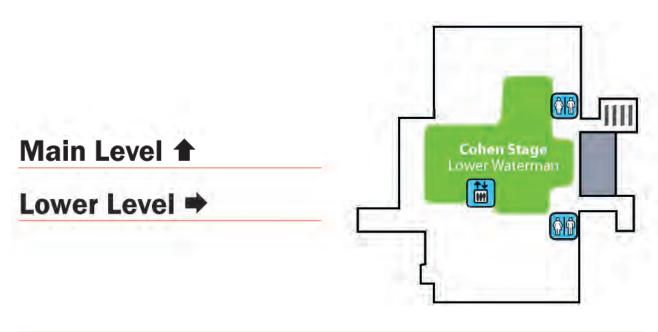
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Carl Cafagna, sax	3, 23	*George Benson, sax	15	Scott Gwinell, piano	16
Rayse Biggs, trumpet	3	Glenn Tucker, piano	15	Jordan Schug, bass	16, 6
Vaughn Klugh, guitar	3	Kirk Krahnke, bass	15	Stephen Boegehold, drum	s 16, 7
*Bill Meyer, piano	3, 25	Karen Tomalis, drums	15	*Meri Slavin, vocals	16
Ibrahim Jones, bass	3	JEFF TRUDELL QUARTET	13	MASTERS OF MUSIC BIG	BAND 21
Butter Hawkins, drums	3	_	ohen Stage	3:45-5:00	Salden Stage
Michelle McKinney, vocals	3	Laith Al Saadi, guitar, vocals	13	Pete Kahn, alto sax	21, 22
CLIFF MONEAR TRIO	7	Sven Anderson, piano	13	Russ Miller, alto sax	21, 22
12:30-1:30	St. John	Ralphe Armstrong, bass	13, 10	Andrew Bishop, tenor sax	21, 17
		*Jeff Trudell, drums	13, 23	Gene Parker, tenor sax	21, 2
*Cliff Monear, piano	7			Mark Berger, bari sax	21, 23
Jeff Pedraz, bass	7	JERRY McKENZIE JUST JAZZ		Roger Ingram, trumpet	21, 23
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Pete Kahn, alto sax	22, 21	*Jerry McKenzie, drums	10	*Ron Kischuk, trombone	21, 1
Robert Reeves, alto sax	22	Harvey Thompson, vocals	10	Ed Gooch, trombone	21
Mark Keime, tenor sax	22, 20		AND OO	Gary Kabeck, trombone	21
Steve Wood, tenor sax	22, 20	THE JOHNNY TRUDELL BIG B		George Troia, bass trombo	
Jack Johnson, bari sax	22		alden Stage	Tad Weed, piano	21, 5
Randy Casteel, trumpet	22, 23	Paul Onachuk, alto sax	23	Jeff Halsey, bass	21, 14
Luther Bird, trumpet	22, 20	Brian Romeo, alto sax	23	Dave Taylor, drums	21, 14
Shane Tucker, trumpet	22	Tom Ploeger, tenor sax	23	Ramona Collins, vocals	21
*Craig Strain, trumpet	22	Carl Cafagna, tenor sax	23, 3	MODERN CAP BAND	6
Steve Fleck, trombone	22	Mark Berger, tenor sax	23, 21	7:30-8:30	Leven Stage
Liz White, trombone	22	Rob Killips, trombone	23	Keith Kaminski, alto sax	6, 20
Bob Clark, trombone	22	Bill Barbour, trombone	23	Jake Shadik, tenor sax	6
John Martin, trombone	22	Leo Harrison, trombone	23	Joe O'Mara, baritone sax	6
Phil Lesky, piano	22	Mike Rumbell, trombone	23	Jimmy Smith, trumpet	6, 20
Rick Davis, guitar	22	*John Trudell, trumpet	23	Matt Martinez, trombone	6
Takashi lio, bass	22	Dave Jennings, trumpet	23	Caleb Nelson, guitar	6
Jim Ryan, drums	22, 9	Randy Casteel, trumpet	23, 22	*Daniel Meinecke, piano	6
Sarah D'Angelo, vocal	22, 20	Mike Skrzynski, trumpet	23	Jordan Schug, bass	6, 16
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12:00-1:00	Leven Stage	Ray Tini, bass	23, 9		
Dave Bennett, clarinet	1, 5	Bill Cairo, drums	23		
*Dave Tatrow, trumpet	1	Jeff Trudell, percussion	23, 13		
Ron Kischuk, trombone	1, 21	Barbara Ware, vocals	23		
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Bill Bolle, bass	1		even Stage		
Doug Cobb, drums	1		_		
DENNIS & APRIL TINI QUIN	ITET 14	Joe Ivers, tenor, alto, soprand			
1:45-2:45	Cohen Stage	Andy Wickstrom, trumpet	4		
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		*Lynn LaPlante, piano	· ·		
*Dennis Tini, piano	14	Tony Suhy, bass	4		
Jeff Halsey, bass	14, 21	Dave Marcaccio, drums	4		
Dave Taylor, drums	14, 21	Greco Freeman, percussion	4		
April Arabian-Tini, vocals	14				

* Denotes Band Leader

PAUL KELLER ORCHESTRA 2:00-3:15 Salden Stage Keith Kaminski, alto/soprano sax 20, 6 Bobby Streng, alto/tenor sax 20 Ben Jansson, tenor sax 20 Steve Wood, tenor sax/flute 20, 22 Mark Kieme, bari sax/clarinet 20, 22 Luther Bird, trumpet 20, 22 Paul Finkbeiner, trumpet 20 Brandon Cooper, trumpet 20 Jimmy Smith, trumpet 20, 6 Terry Kimura, trombone 20 Tony Buccilli, trombone 20 Brookes Barnes, trombone 20 Duncan McMillan, piano 20 *Paul Keller, bass 20 Pete Siers, drums 20, 6	ROBERT HURST 8 2:00-3:00 St. John Providence Stage Rafael Statin, saxophone 8 lan Finkelstein, keyboards, piano 8 *Robert Hurst, bass 8 Nate Winn, drums 8 Gregory Freeman, percussion 8 RON ENGLISH 11 6:30-7:30 St. John Providence Stage *Ron English, guitar 11 Glenn Tucker, piano 11 James Simonson, bass 11 Leonard King, drums 11 SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE JAZZ BAND19	3:30-4:30 St. John Providence Stage *Terry Lower, piano 9, 25 Ray Tini, bass 9, 23 Jim Ryan, drums 9, 22 Edye Evans Hyde, vocals 9 TOM BROWN QUINTET 17
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featuring DAVE BENNETT & TAD WEED 5 6:00-7:00 Leven Stage Dave Bennett, clarinet 5, 1 Tad Weed, piano 5, 21 *Pete Siers, drums 5, 20 PLAYING WITH THE PROS 4:30-5:30 Henry's Café Dennis Tini, piano 14, 24 Paul Keller, bass 20, 24 Sean Dobbins, drums 12, 24 and featuring Clarence Collins, trumpet Adam Kahana, guitar Spencer Morgan, tenor saxophone RAY PARKER QUARTET, featuring GENE PARKER, SAX 2 1:30-2:30 Leven Stage Gene Parker, sax 2, 21 Jon Davis, piano 2 *Ray Parker, bass 2 George Schuller, drums 2 RJ & THE KANSAS CITY SEVEN 18	Joseph Grossberg, alto sax 19 Joseph May, alto sax 19 Marion Nalepa, alto sax 19 Dino Bortolin, tenor sax 19 Charles Seilnacht, bari sax 19 Dave DeClark, trumpet 19 George Forbes, trumpet 19 Ken Keyes, trumpet 19 Evan McMahon, trumpet 19 Chris Muzzin, trumpet 19 Michael Kieda, trombone 19 Rich Perry, trombone 19 Thomas Sigworth, trombone 19 Ron Toth, trombone 19 Bernard Kirchner, tuba 19 Keith Davis, guitar 19 Vince Marcopoli, guitar 19 Dan David, piano 19 Owen Ananich, bass 19 Molly Kilgore, bass 19 Nicholas Mues, drums 19 Austin Vicars, drums 19 Hank Hankins, vocals 19 Carol Snyder, vocals 19 SEAN DOBBINS ORGAN QUARTET 12	1:30 Bill Meyer 3:45 Pat Crowley 4:00 Mark Braun "Mr. B" 5:15 Bob Seeley 6:30 Ellen Rowe FUTURE OF JAZZ 12:00-7:00 SEMJA Stage 12:00 Saginaw Area Youth Jazz Ensemble 1:30 John Pesci Ann Arbor Public Schools Southeastern Music Academy 3:00 Oakland University Jazz Combo 4:30 Playing with the Pros 6:00 Adam Kahana "Ann Arbor Experiment"
7:45-8:45 Cohen Stage Groode Wyche, tenor sax 18 James O'Donnell, trumpet 18 Alicia Venchuk, guitar, vocals 18 Jared Champion, piano, vocals 18 Gwen MacPhee, bass 18 *RJ Spangler, drums 18 Daniel Devins, vocals 18	8:00-9:00 St. John Providence Stage Diego Rivera, tenor sax Cory Allen, guitar Jim Alfredson, organ *Sean Dobbins, drums 12	

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NOW PLAYING

LEVEN STAGE

THE TENT

12:00 - 1: 00	Dave Tatrow Dixie
1:30 - 2:30	Ray Parker Quartet
3:00 - 4:00	Bill Meyer Group
4:30 - 5:30	Lynn LaPlante 7
6:00 - 7:00	Pete Siers Trio-
	featuring Dave Bennett
	& Tad Weed
7:30 - 8:30	Modern CAP Band

ST. JOHN PROVIDENCE STAGE

KEHRL AUDITORIUM

12:30 - 1:30	Cliff Monear Trio
2:00 - 3:00	Robert Hurst
3:30 - 4:30	Terry Lower Trio
	featuring Edye Evans Hyde
5:00 - 6:00	Jerry McKenzie Just Jazz
6:30 - 7:30	Ron English
8:00 - 9:00	Sean Dobbins Organ Quartet

COHEN STAGE

LOWER WATERMAN

1:45 - 2:45	Dennis & April Tini Group
3:15 - 4:15	George Benson Quartet
4:45 - 5:45	Meri Slaven
6:15 - 7:15	Tom Brown Quintet
7:45 - 8:45	R.J & the Kansas City Seven

12:15 - 1:15 Jeff Trudell Quartet

SALDEN STAGE

DIPONIO ROOM

12:15 - 1:30	Schoolcraft College Jazz Band
2:00 - 3:15	Paul Keller Orchestra
3:45 - 5:00	Masters of Music
5:30 - 6:45	CSO
7:15 - 8:30	Johnny Trudell Big Band

VOSGERCHIAN STAGE

RENNOLDS ROOM

12:15 - 1:15	Terry Lower
1:30 - 2:30	Bill Meyer
2:45 - 3:45	Pat Cronley
4:00 - 5:00	Mark Braun (Mr. B)
5:15 - 6:15	Bob Seeley
6:30 - 7:30	Ellen Rowe

SEMJA STAGE

HENRY'S CAFE

12:00 - 1:00

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	Jazz Ensemble
1:30 - 2:30	John Pesci/
	Ann Arbor Public Schools
	(Southeastern Music Academy)
3:00 - 4:00	Oakland University
	Jazz Combo
4:30 - 5:30	Playing with the Pros
6:00 - 7:00	Adam Kahana
	"Ann Arbor Experiment"

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Be sure to visit SEMJA in the Festival's Jazz Walk.

Leven Stage The Tent

The Myron P. Leven Foundation was established by the late Mr. Leven in 1998 for the purpose of receiving and administering gifts, grants and contribution of funds to charitable and cultural organizations. The Foundation's Hispanic Scholarship Program has awarded over 450 scholarships to high school students from the Hispanic community. Mr. Leven loved jazz and was friends with many famous jazz musicians.

St. John Providence Stage Kehrl Auditorium

St. John Providence Health System is southeast Michigan's largest faith-based health care organization, comprised of five hospitals plus more than 125 medical facilities. They touch thousands of lives every year in southeast Michigan through services such as heart, cancer, obstetrics, neurosciences, orthopedics, physical rehabilitation, behavioral medicine, surgery, emergency and urgent care. With medical experts spanning more than 50 specialties, they focus on healing the entire patient—mind, body, and spirit. The St. John Providence Health System family includes thousands of volunteers and donors and over 18,000 associates who advocate for those

who have no voice, the uninsured and poor. Their commitment to the community includes programs such as school-based health centers, a grieving children's program, literacy program, and infant mortality initiative. Their community health centers improve access to health care, health screenings, and health education. In addition, the St. John Providence Health System provided more than \$100 million in uncompensated care in the past year.

Cohen Stage Lower Waterman

The Morry Cohen family has always played a significant role in the support of the Michigan Jazz Festival. In the early years, it was their generous contributions that made the Festival possible and helped keep the music playing. We continue to honor Morry's memory with the Cohen Stage.

Vosgerchian Solo Piano Stage Rennolds Room

The late Dr. Aram "Buzz" Vosgerchian was appointed President of the Myron P. Leven Foundation in 2002 upon the death of his longtime friend Myron P. Leven. He remained president of the foundation until his death in 2014. Dr. Vosgerchian, who worked in education and retired from Oakland Intermediate Schools (Oakland County, Michigan) was on the scholarship committee for the Myron P. Leven Hispanic Scholarship Program which was established in 1985. Mr. Leven and Buzz were the best of friends and both were avid jazz enthusiasts and would often attend local jazz clubs together. Through the efforts of Dr. Vosgerchian, the foundation began contributing to the Michigan Jazz Festival.

Salden Stage DiPonio Room

Nancy Salden is the ultimate jazz fan. We are most grateful for her generous donations and ongoing support that help make the Michigan Jazz Festival possible. "Everywhere on this planet, some form of music is precious to all of us. Let's preserve, promote, and donate so that we can continue to enjoy this wonderful gift of music!"

FESTIVAL INFO



Food and Beverages

Food and beverages are available for purchase at both ends of VisTaTech: Henry's Café is at the south end, and the Main Street Café is near the main entrance. A full menu is available, including soup, salads, grill, sandwiches, entrées, sides, beverages, desserts, and carry-outs. Beer, wine, and soft drinks are available as well. It's all prepared by Schoolcraft's Food Service department under the direction of Executive Chef Aaron Cook.

Alcohol Restrictions

Schoolcraft College's alcoholic beverage license limits sale and consumption to the VisTaTech Center only. Beer and wine are available for purchase at the Main Street Café and Henry's Café

and may be consumed in all VisTaTech locations except the Kehrl Auditorium (St. John Providence Stage). Alcohol may not be consumed outside of the building; this restriction includes The Tent. Schoolcraft's Campus Police Authority will be enforcing these restrictions.

Jazz Walk

Meet the musicians and purchase their CDs!!

Located behind the glass doors next to Kehrl Auditorium, the Jazz Walk extends down the hall by the Vosgerchian Solo Piano Stage (Rennolds Room). The artists will be there selling and autographing their CDs. Stroll on down to the end of the Jazz Walk and sit a while in the air-conditioned comfort of the Kadish Atrium.

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