

JAZZ NOTES

FOJ's Annual Membership Party a night to remember

On Sunday, October 8, Friends of Jazz celebrated its 23rd Annual Membership Party at the Calderon home in Brea. About 65 members and guests attended.

This fun event featured live jazz by both student and professional musicians. Debbi Ebert served as host for the music, and it was a fantastic musical night. Guest soloists included Bill Cunliffe, Michael LeVan and Richard Abraham on keyboard, Jennifer Hart, Mark Miller and Debbi Ebert on vocals, Jeff Segal on drums, Sam Montooth on bass. Students from Cal State University, Fullerton were Jacob Trejo, sax; Kevin Karagozian, bass; Edward Castaneda, trumpet; Ryuki Naito, piano; Santiago Lopez, sax; and Icengo Fukunaga, guitar. Brady Nguyen from Yorba Linda High played drums. Kyle Hill, Heather Salanga and Ben Reyes sang several jazz tunes accompanied by instrumentalists including Spencer Bowie on sax, Fernando Calderon, trumpet, and Ethan Aniceto on guitar.

Dinner was cooked and served by Chef Richard and the Calderon family, along with salad and dessert. There was plenty of snacks and drinks. A variety of auction items was offered to bid on, selected wines were purchased at a wine table, and there were opportunity prizes which included gift cards to the Cedar Creek Inn and the Summit House. National Charity League gals served and sold tickets.

It was a perfect occasion to get to know fellow jazz enthusiasts and enjoy plenty of live jazz on a lovely night. Many thanks to all who made this annual event a night to remember. (More photos on page 2.)



FOJ to award college jazz scholarships this fall



Tuesday, Nov. 21, is the concert date for the **Fullerton College Jazz Band**, directed by **Jimmy Emerzian**, and **J-Train Vocal Jazz**, led by **Jamie Shew**. The concert will take place at 7:30pm in the Campus Theatre. FOJ will present scholarships to the students and the band during intermission.

On Friday, Dec. 1, CSUF's **Fullerton Jazz Orchestra**, under the direction of **Bill Cunliffe** and **Rodolfo Zuniga**, will perform at 8pm in Meng Hall. Scholarships will be awarded to the students and the band during intermission.

These concerts will include the presentation of \$30,000 in scholarships to the three groups and to various individual musicians in each group. **Funds are provided by members like you, donations and grants from The Johnny Carson Foundation.**

Concerts are free; just tell the box office you are with Friends of Jazz. You won't want to miss them!

SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, January 14, 2024, Sponsors Party

To thank members at the Sponsor level and above.

Porter Singletary sings Nat King Cole, 5pm, Velvet Rose. For info, contact Dottie (714) 525-6669 or Charlotte (714) 870-9067.



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Members Party photos



**Our Condolences to
Eva and her family on
the passing of Fred
Schneider**



Upcoming Jazz Events!

Sunset Jazz at Bayside, Fall Supper Club Series, Wed., Nov. 1; Tues., Nov. 14, 28; Bayside Restaurant, Newport Beach

**Fullerton College Concert & Scholarship Awards, Tues., Nov. 21,
7:30pm, Campus Theatre**

CSUF Scholarship Awards, Fri., Dec. 1, 8pm, Meng Hall

Jennifer Hart, 2nd Fri./mo., 6:30-9:30pm, Baci's, Huntington Beach

Debbi Ebert, 6-10pm Fri./Sat. at Cedar Creek Inn, Brea

We're Celebrating!





























Friends of Jazz
will celebrate our
25th Anniversary in 2024.
Get ready to share some
awesome events with us!



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