

JIVE TALKIN'

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FOJ Membership Party is almost here! Join us!

Sunday, Sept. 7, is the date for our 25th annual Membership Party featuring live jazz by FOJ's talented students and professional musicians, including guest soloists. Paul and Amy Hinz are hosting this annual event again at their home in Rowland Heights.

The evening begins at 5pm and includes dinner, opportunity drawing, and a silent auction. There's a no-host bar and the dress is casual. Tickets are \$35 each. Attendance is limited (first-come, first-served) and you must purchase tickets in advance. This event is open to FOJ members and guests.

If you haven't renewed your membership for 2025-26, do it now so you can attend this fun annual event.

Invitations were mailed in early August. For more info and to make your reservation, contact Dottie Batinich at (714) 525-6669.

This is a great time to get to know fellow jazz lovers and enjoy plenty of live jazz. We hope to see you there!



Photos from last year's Membership Party



SAVE THE DATE!

Friends of Jazz presents our

25th Annual Members Party

Sunday, Sept. 7, 5:00-9:00pm

Buffet, silent auction, drawing, no-host bar
Music by Jazz Students & Professional Musicians
\$35/person

King Paul & Queen Amy Hinz Home

Tickets/Information: (714) 525-6669



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To Our Friends & Supporters

We're celebrating our 26th year of keeping music in the schools. But grants, donations and memberships are down. We greatly appreciate your support as we plan some more fun events for 2025: a members party September 7; scholarship awards in Nov./December; and a sponsors party.

We can't do it without you. If you haven't already, please renew your membership or join as a new member (see p. 3 for membership application). If you can't join us, please consider donating to help us keep music in the schools. Thank you all.



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Upcoming Jazz Events!

Sunset Jazz & Dining at Bistango - Summer Series, Tues., Aug. 5, 19; Sept. 16; Wed., Aug. 20, Sept. 3; 6-8:30pm, 19100 Von Karman Ave., Irvine. Tickets: (949) 759-5003.

FOJ Members Party, Sun., Sept. 7, 5pm, The Hinz Home

OCRS: Ragtime Sept. 27 & Oct. 25 at Half-Off Books & Records, 114 W. Wilshire Ave., Fullerton, 2-5pm

CalJAS: Susie Hansen Latin Jazz Trio, Sun., Sept. 28, 2-4:30pm; Elena Gilliam & Friends, Sun., Oct. 26, 2-4:30pm, Dale Boatman home, Rancho Cucamonga

Debbi Ebert, 6pm, Fridays & Saturdays, Cedar Creek Inn, Brea

Jennifer Hart, Baci's Restaurant, Huntington Beach, 2nd Friday each month.



**Planning a Party? Need your Piano Tuned?
Want Music Lessons? Call FOJ Musicians!**

Richard Abraham & Debbi Ebert, Jazz/Piano/Vocals
(714) 323-1426 E



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Key: E= Entertainment, L = Lessons PT = Piano Tuning

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Student (\$20)	Invitation to Friends of Jazz events, recognition in FOJ newsletter
General (\$50)	Invitation to Friends of Jazz events, recognition in FOJ newsletter
Friend (\$100)	All benefits of General level plus two complimentary tickets, when available, to a jazz event at CSUF or Fullerton College.
Sponsor (\$250)	All benefits of Friend level plus two complimentary tickets to the Sponsors party.
Patron (\$500)	All benefits of Sponsor level plus recognition at a student scholarship presentation.
Benefactor (\$1,000+)	All benefits of Patron level plus two additional complimentary tickets to the Sponsors party.
Gold Benefactor (\$2,500+)	All benefits of Benefactor level plus two complimentary tickets to the FOJ Mardi Gras gala dinner-dance.

MEMBERSHIP FOR JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026

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**Keeping Music in Our Schools, Other Opportunities**

☐ Yes, I'd like to help with fundraisers, scholarship awards, mailings! Please contact me.

For more information, call Jeanie Stockwell (714) 815-4320 or Jean Klinghoffer (714) 871-6342.

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Donations over and above membership dues are the lifeblood that keeps us going, so you can also help there. And you can write off your donations to Friends of Jazz when you itemize your taxes. We encourage business donations, as well. If you can't renew or join, please consider volunteering for us.

Thanks to these new & returning members—

Dennis Aigner & Camille Bertolet Jim & Ellie Monroe Judi McDuff

Jim & Donna Harlan Shirley Laroff Mike & Lucy Peak

Gary Peterson Tom Rybolt Minard Duncan Louis Kuntz

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Richard & Susan Dolnick Jeanie Stockwell Nick & Dottie Batinich

Charlotte Henderson George/Katherine Connaghan James Beall

Maurice Meysenburg



Former FOJ member Pat Perkins & family, now living in Tennessee

Condolences to family and friends of Eddie Sheldrake on his passing in May at age 98. He was very supportive of Friends of Jazz.



A memorial service was held July 19 in Fullerton. In his memory, the family encourages you to support a charity of your choice that helps those in need—an act of generosity he'd quietly admire, right before telling you how to improve your business. . . or fix your free throw. (excerpted from *Ed-die Sheldrake's obituary submitted by his granddaughter, Jacklyn Mitosinka.*)