

Manawatū Jazz & Blues Festival 2024 Program

24th May – 2th June, 2024

Friday 24th May 7:30 – 10.00 pm

Jazz on Your Feet Swing Dance

On Stage Hall 100 Campbell St Palmerston North

Featuring The Manawatu Jazz Club Big Swing Band.

Feilding Café Scene (Free Entry)

Saturday 25th May 11 - 8.00 pm

Sunday 26th May 11 - 5.00 pm

Palmerston North Café Scene (Free Entry)

Saturday 1st June 11 – 7.00 pm

Sunday 2nd June 11 – 8.00 pm

Wednesday May 29, 8.00pm (GLOBE THEATRE ONE)

Kevin Downing's 101 Lab Band

Always a popular concert for the Manawatu Jazz & Blues Festival.

Special guest to include Guitarist **Callum Allardice presents**

Loud Jazz the music of John Scofield.

It does what it says on the box: unapologetically loud and dirty. Prepare yourself for lots of synth and slap bass; it's Loud Jazz. The band: Callum Allardice – Guitar, Daniel Hayles – Keyboards, Rom Smith – Bass and Shaun Anderson - Drums

TICKET PRICE: ADULT \$32.00 JAZZ CLUB \$24.00 STUDENT \$20.00

Wednesday May 29, 7.30pm (GLOBE THEATRE TWO)

Jazz vocal group JAZZIN' 3 & the "Palmy Sweethearts"

The Manawatu Jazz Festival is delighted to present a concert by the extremely talented vocal group "Jazzin'3" in 2023. Madeleine, Cate and Eilidh are a vivacious trio of singers who have had extensive experience in the musical theatre world and are accomplished solo performers in their own right.

Introduced to the jazz genre in 2020, they have built a full and entertaining repertoire featuring jazz standards, some jazz-flavoured renditions of pop tunes and tunes borrowed from the library of artists such as The Puppini and Andrews Sisters. They

have performed at various local jazz clubs and with the NZSM No.1 Big Band both in Palmerston North and Whanganui.

Special guests the “Palmy Sweethearts” an all-female saxophone combo.

‘with a spectacular grand finale featuring, from PNBHS, Saem Millward, Armani Whitehead-Wilson, Jesse Wallace and Mahnoor Hussain

See you there.

TICKET PRICE: ADULT \$25.00, JAZZ CLUB Members \$20.00, STUDENT \$10.00

Thursday May 30. 8.00pm

From the USA

MATT HARRIS and Friends Clay Jenkins and Cory Christiansen.

Matt Harris graduated with a BM from the University of Miami and a MM from the Eastman School of Music. He moved to Los Angeles after touring, writing, and recording with jazz legends, Maynard Ferguson and Buddy Rich.

Matt has 6 CD's of original music and has played with jazz legends including Buddy Rich, Maynard Ferguson, Bobby Shew, Lanny Morgan, Bob Sheppard, Peter Erskine, Bob McChesney, Rob Lockart, Carl Saunders, Jimmy Cobb, Joe Morello, Chuck Findley, Tim Ries, Bob Summers, John Pisano, and Gregg Bissonette.

Matt has played piano and/or written music for some of today's top jazz vocalists including Karryn Allison, Jackie Allen, Diane Shure, Dena Deroose, Rosana Eckert, Kevin Mahogany, Kurt Elling and many others.

from the **USA Clay Jenkins – Trumpet**

Clay has recorded with Joe LaBarbera's Quintet, The Clayton/Hamilton Jazz Orchestra, Harold Danko, Rufus Reid, Alan Ferber, Charles Pillow, Larry Koonse, drummers Joe La Barbera and Jeff Hamilton, and bassist John Clayton. In 2000 he joined the faculty at the Eastman School of Music.

From the **USA Corey Christiansen – Guitar**

Corey Christiansen is becoming recognized as one of the world's preeminent guitarists and educators. A recording artist, writer, educator and performer, he has played with Dr. Lonnie Smith, Vic Juris, Danny Gottlieb, Jeff Coffin, James Moody, Steve Houghton, Jeremy Allen many other jazz greats. Corey has authored or co-authored over 70 method books and projects for Mel Bay Publications. He has written many articles for many of the major guitar magazines in North America and *Downbeat Magazine*. In 2008 he joined the faculty at Utah State University.

New Zealand guests to include: Rory Macartney – Bass, Lance Philip – Drums

TICKET PRICE: ADULT \$34.00 JAZZ CLUB \$28.00 STUDENTS \$22.00

Thursday May 30. 5.00pm – Globe Two

GUITAR WORKSHOP – Free you people attending the Concert at 8.00pm

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Friday May 31, 8.00pm

Blues Nights – MIDGE MARSDEN (The One and Only) Guitar, Vocal and Blues Harmonic

One of New Zealand's preeminent blues musicians, New Plymouth-born Keith Marsden got his break with the 1960s R&B band The Breakaways. After time performing in Australia, he returned home; by the 1980s he was touring Aotearoa often. During an early visit to the United States, he befriended legendary guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughan. The Texan featured on one of the beloved 'Travellin' On' adverts with Marsden and Murray Grindlay. In the 1990s Marsden studied Southern Culture at the University of Mississippi and taught blues music at the Waikato Institute of Technology. Later he was made a member of the NZ Order of Merit.

The Band: Neil Hannan, bass & vocals. Liam Ryan, keyboards & vocals. Johnny Scott, drums.

Harry Harrison, guitar & vocals. Plus a Surprise Horn Section.

TICKET PRICE: ADULT \$39.00 JAZZ CLUB \$32.00 STUDENTS \$22.00

Saturday June 01 (Day time) 10.00am start

High School Jazz Competition and Workshops.

Big Bands in Globe One and Combos in Globe Two.

FREE ENTRY

Saturday June 01 5.30 – 7.00pm

Cal State Fullerton Big Band – Music Director BILL CUNLIFFE.

California State University Fullerton Jazz Orchestra, directed by [Bill Cunliffe](#), consistently receives high scores and acclaim at major west coast jazz festivals. They have been featured on a live radio broadcast across North America as part of the Playboy Jazz Festival, and have previously won the Pacific Coast Collegiate Jazz Festival competing against groups from 50 colleges and universities in seven western states. Jazz combos receive high marks as well, with CSUF's top combo winning the

2018 Reno College Jazz Festival. Fullerton Jazz Orchestra has performed, by invitation, at many leading Southern California festivals and events. They have produced five recordings including their latest, "Sabor!" which features vocalist Freda Payne.

TICKET PRICE: ADULT \$25.00 JAZZ CLUB \$20.00 STUDENTS \$15.00

Saturday June 01 (Evening) 8.00pm

The JAZZ GALA CONCERT

The RODGER FOX BIG BAND plays the music and arrangements of internationally acclaimed artists MATT HARRIS, CLAY JENKINS and CORY CHRISTIANSEN

Vocal Guest: Erna Ferry

The Rodger Fox Big Band has promoted live concerts in the Global Festival arena, Montreux Jazz Festival, Monterey Jazz Festival, Manly Jazz Festival, Wichita Jazz Festival, The International Association of Jazz Educators Concert 1997 & 1999 and concerts in London, Singapore, Australia, Poland and the Jazz Education Network Conference in New Orleans in 2020 and 2024.

Winner of the New Zealand Jazz recording of the years in 1981, 2001, 2004, 2009 and 2011. Plus being a finalists on 8 other occasions.

Matt Harris – Piano has written for and performed with the great Buddy Rich and Maynard Ferguson Bands.

Clay Jenkins – Trumpet: Has performed with Joe LaBarbera's Quintet and The Clayton/Hamilton Jazz Orchestra, Count Basie, Clayton – Hamilton.

Cory Christianson – Guitar: Has played with Dr. Lonnie Smith, Danny Gottlieb, Jeff Coffin, James Moody, Steve Houghton, Jeremy Allen.

And **Erna Ferry** performing material recorded at Sear Sound in New York City with arrangements by Matt Harris.

TICKET PRICE: ADULT \$38.00 JAZZ CLUB \$32.00 STUDENTS \$22.00

Sunday June 02 10.00 – 11.30am
Educational workshop – Free Entry

Sunday June 02

Big Band Bash: 2.00pm

HAWKES BAY JAZZ CLUB BIG BAND – NAPIER
SWAMP CITY BIG BAND – MANAWATU
WHANGANUI JAZZ ORCHESTRA - WHANGNAUI
CAPITAL CITY BIG BAND - WELLINGTON

TICKET PRICE: \$25.00

ALL CONCERTS TAKE PLACE AT THE GLOBE THEATRE – 312 MAIN STREET,
PALMERSTON NORTH

TICKET BOOKINGS AT THE GLOBE THEATRE BOX OFFICE - Phone: 06-351 4409
Webpage: <https://www.globetheatre.co.nz>

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