



The name says it all...

Just Jazz

February 2011

Hi Friends –

Last month I attended the second annual Jazz Education Network conference in New Orleans. It was a big success in every way, and I had the pleasure of seeing old friends, making new ones, hearing excellent music, attending informative clinics and presentations, and enjoying plenty of great food. (*New Orleans, dig?*)

But just when it seemed like the perfect weekend, my flight back to NYC was canceled, and for the most idiotic reason since the Wright Brothers. Someone on the incoming flight decided flush a diaper down the toilet, and you can imagine the rest. (Even I know you don't do that, and I don't have kids.) Federal law requires a minimum number of working bathrooms on every plane – that's a *very good* law. And since the toilet could not be fixed that night, I was delayed a full 24 hours. (The one good thing was that the airline rebooked me in First Class.)

I'm sure you'll all agree with me that anyone who is stupid enough to flush a diaper in an airplane toilet is:
A. too stupid to travel by plane, and
B. too stupid to have kids.

Stay cool and keep list'nin',
Bob

Check out on jazzbob.com my two-part review-essay on big band jazz: [The Birth of Swing](#) and [The Tradition Continues](#).

Just Jazz is heard every Sunday from 10:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m. Eastern Time (US) over 91.9 WNTI-FM and streams live at wnti.org. *Just Jazz Presents with Bob Bernotas* is heard every Saturday from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. & p.m. and Tuesday from 11:00 p.m. to midnight, Eastern Time (US), on the Internet at Pure Jazz Radio.



Just Jazz Artist of the Month trumpeter Clark Terry

Just Jazz Presents... Features

2/6 : Trombone Hour
2/13: Latin Jazz Hour
2/20: Keyboard Hour
2/27: Big Band Hour

"Just Jazz Presents..." is heard Sundays, midnight-1:00a.m. during *Just Jazz* @ wnti.org

Just Jazz Presents with Bob Bernotas

2/5 & 8: Lester Young
2/12 & 15: Oscar Pettiford
2/19 & 24: Ray Charles
2//26 & 3/1: Bud Powell

Saturdays 9:00-10:00 a.m. & p.m.
Tuesdays 11:00 p.m. –midnight @ Pure Jazz Radio

QUOTES OF THE MONTH

The argument with critics can never be won: a critic criticized suddenly becomes the champion of free speech, the aggrieved artist someone who "cannot take criticism."

– actor, director & author
Simon Callow

The first critic (and the last fair one), Aristotle, teaches by his example that critics don't dictate to creators. Creators make the art. The correct critic merely describes what they are creating.

– theater historian
Ethan Mordden

Recommended Internet Jazz Radio

Pure Jazz Radio: a 24-7-365 celebration of jazz, featuring the "Founding Fathers," the "Keepers of the Flame," and everyone in between (including "[Just Jazz Presents with Bob Bernotas](#)").

groovebone.org: All jazz trombone, all the time, produced and programmed by trombonist Dave Dickey. Now available on iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, some BlackBerrys, Windows Mobile 4/5, Nokia S60. *Free CD contests and great T-shirts!*

[Jazz Spotlight on Sinatra](#): Nancy Barell presents Sinatra's music through the decades, as well as jazz instrumentalists and singers who recorded songs Sinatra performed, plus other great standards.

wemu.org: Jazz and blues from Eastern Michigan University. Linda Yohn starts your day with three and a half hours of great music every Mon.-Fri., 9:00-12:30 (Eastern Time).

NEW & RECOMMENDED CDS

American Rath: *Going Somewhere* ([Dillon Music](#)): American Rath is a sextet headed by three accomplished American trombonists — David Gibson, Michael Dease, James Burton III — all of whom play the highly regarded, English-made Rath trombone. This new CD is both dazzling and deep, showcasing their formidable playing and writing talents in nine superb tracks.

Carl Bartlett, Jr.: *Hopeful*: In his debut release alto saxophonist Carl Bartlett, Jr., displays maturity as an improviser and composer. The bold title track features nearly five riveting minutes of his unaccompanied playing; the remainder finds him fronting a quartet of like-minded colleagues, plus two guests: guitarist Ron Jackson and his uncle, trumpeter Charles Bartlett.

Tri-Fi: *3*: Since 2003 pianist Matthew Fries, bassist Phil Palombi, and drummer Keith Hall have been working together as Tri-Fi. Their latest CD, filled with their original compositions, attests to their individual and collective artistry and sensitivity. This recording is recommended to anyone who enjoys hearing three gifted musicians performing together at the highest level.

Wayne Wallace: *From Hear to There* ([Patois Records](#)): This latest release by trombonist Wayne Wallace's Latin Jazz Quintet is a most worthy follow-up to their Grammy-nominated 2010 CD, *iBien Bien!*. Once again, Wallace displays his mastery of a variety of Latin jazz idioms (mambo, bolero, cha-cha-cha, timba, son) with his usual energy and insight.

AREA JAZZ EVENTS

Sat., February 5, 8:00: NY Jazz Repertory Orchestra: "A Tribute to Johnny Richards"
[Zoellner Arts Center](#), Baker Hall
Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA
\$18; 670-758-2787

Sun., February 6, 3:00: Jazz Masters Series "Saxophone Summit": Joe Lovano, Dave Liebman, Ravi Coltrane (Phil Markowitz, piano; Cecil McBee, bass; Billy Hart, drums)
Williams Center for the Arts, Lafayette College, Easton, PA
\$22; 610-330-5009

Sun., February 13, 2:00: Jazz in the Box guitarist Jack Wilkins Trio (Steve LaSpina, bass; Jeff Hirshfield, drums) & special guest, flutist Tony Signa
The Kutz Theatre @ The Lackland Center
Centenary College, Hackettstown, NJ
\$15 in advance / \$20 at the door; 908-979-0900

Sun., February 20, 3:00: ESU Jazz Synergy Series: A President's Weekend Salute to Big Band Jazz JARO (Jazz Artists Repertory Orchestra)
Cecilia S. Cohen Recital Hall, Fine and Performing Arts Center, East Stroudsburg University, East Stroudsburg, PA
tickets at the door only (no advance sales):
\$5 / children 12 & under, students w/ID: *free*; 570-422-3828

ATTENTION LOCAL JAZZ ARTISTS!

If you've got an upcoming gig or performance in the NW New Jersey-NE Pennsylvania region, you can add it to the WNTI website's Events Calendar. Please click [here](#) and follow the instructions and submission guidelines. PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR INFO AT LEAST TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE. Email questions to: evets@wnti.org

LOCAL JAZZ VENUES

Café Baci (@ [Mama's Restaurant](#))
260 Mountain Ave., Hackettstown, NJ; 3rd Fri. of the month, 7:00-10:00; 908-852-2820
Mama's Restaurant/Café Baci is an underwriter of WNTI and Just Jazz.

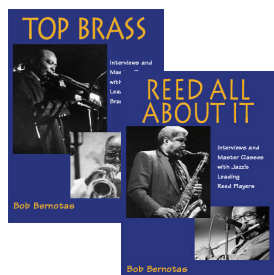
The Deer Head Inn Main St./Rt. 611, Delaware Water Gap, PA
Thurs., 8:00-11:00; Fri. & Sat., 7:00-11:00; Sun. 5:00-8:00
570-424-2000

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