



The name says it all...

Just Jazz

March 2009

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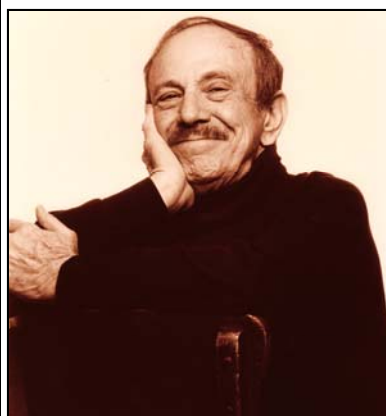
It's up and running and ready for you: my new [website](#)! I'm very happy with the design and absolutely delighted to be joining so many of my good friends and favorite musicians in the [Jazz Corner](#) community.

I've posted lots of, I think, fun and interesting stuff there, including some of my past [profiles and interviews](#), [CD review-essays](#), and favorite [liner notes](#). (You can click on these links to see them *right now*.) There also are some [Just Jazz radio segments](#) – and a very special interview – that you can play or download. Plus there now is an easy way to order my [books](#). And coming soon: a gallery of original photos of jazz musicians. I'll be adding new content every month to keep me interested and to keep you coming back.

One more thing: Got links? You send me yours – jazz-related, of course – I'll send you mine and we can post them on each other's [links](#) pages. Cool?

So check out [jazzbob.com](#) and let me know what you think.

Stay cool and keep list'nin',
Bob



[Weekly Just Jazz Presents... Features: Midnight -1:00 a.m.](#)

- 3/1: composer-arranger-bandleader **Chico O'Farrill** (March **Just Jazz Artist of the Month**)
- 3/8: Trombone Hour
- 3/15: Big Band Hour
- 3/22: Singers Hour
- 3/29: The Best of *Just Jazz*

Congratulations to my great friend, **Judy Shafer**, Jazz-in-Schools director of Columbia, Ohio's Jazz Arts Group, for receiving the Greater Columbus Arts Council's **Arts Educator Award**.

Just Jazz with Bob Bernotas can be heard every Sunday night from 10:00 pm to 3:00 am Eastern Time (US) over 91.9 WNTI-FM and streaming live at [wnti.org](#).

Quotes of the Month

Many more aspects of jazz derive directly from African musical-social traditions than has been assumed. ... *Every* musical element – rhythm, melody, harmony, timbre, and the basic forms of jazz – is essentially African in background and derivation.

– **composer Gunther Schuller**

In many ways, Latin jazz is the real, true representation of the jazz tradition, because it has all of these elements on equal levels: the rhythmic roots of West Africa, complex arranging techniques, and the virtuosic improvisational qualities that are found in the jazz musician.

– **percussionist Bobby Sanabria**

[Recommended Internet Jazz Radio](#)

[groovebone.org](#): All jazz trombone, all the time, produced and programmed by trombonist Dave Dickey. *Free CD contests and great T-shirts, too!* (davedickey.com)

Jazz Spotlight on Sinatra, produced and presented by Nancy Barell, features Sinatra songs through the decades, as well as jazz instrumentalists and singers who recorded songs Sinatra performed, plus other great standards: [live365.com/stations/nancyann3839](#)

[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., from 9:00 to 12:30 (Eastern Time).

NEW & RECOMMENDED CDS

Gene Bertoncini & Roni Ben-Hur: *Smile* (Motéma): The guitar team of Gene Bertoncini (nylon-string acoustic) and Roni Ben-Hur (electric) presents a thoroughly pleasing program of standards and originals dedicated to the memory of bassist-humanitarian Earl May, whose sunny personality is reflected in the title track, "Smile." This is duo improvisation at its intuitive best. *Proceeds from the sale of this CD will benefit the [Dizzy Gillespie Memorial Fund](#) at Englewood Hospital and Medical Center in Englewood, NJ.*

The Blue Note 7: *Mosaic: A Celebration of Blue Note Records* (Blue Note): In honor of Blue Note's 70th anniversary, an all-star septet revisits classic tunes from the label's storied history. Peter Bernstein, Bill Charlap, Ravi Coltrane, Lewis Nash, Nichols Payton, Peter Washington, and Steve Wilson perform the music of Monk, Silver, Hancock, Henderson, Tyner, and more in faithful, yet fresh, treatments.

Eliane Elias: *Bossa Nova Stories* (Blue Note): Brazilian singer-pianist Eliane Elias gives the bossa nova treatment to Great American Songbook favorites alongside Brazilian standards by Jobim ("Chega de Saudade," "Desafinado," and that nasty "Ipanema" thing) and Donato ("Minha Saudade," "A Rã"). Harmonica master Toots Thielemans lends his brilliance to two tracks.

Martial Solal: *Live at the Village Vanguard: I Can't Give You Anything But Love* (CAM Jazz): This live solo performance by Algerian-born, French piano legend Martial Solal — recorded in a rare 2007 US appearance at the age of 80 — offers a striking musical portrait of one of jazz's most inventive and distinctive keyboard stylists.

SPECIAL EVENT: Mon., March 9, 7:00
St. Peter's Church, Lexington Ave & 54th St, Manhattan
A musical memorial celebrating the life of saxophonist **David "Fathead" Newman** — scheduled to appear: Joe Lovano, Cedar Walton, Rufus Reid, Frank Wess, Lou Donaldson, Jimmy Cobb, Randy Brecker, Marcus Belgrave, Benny Powell, Howard Johnson, and many others

AREA JAZZ EVENTS

South Orange Performing Arts Center
One SOPAC Way, South Orange, NJ
Fri., March 6, 8:00: **"A Christian McBride Situation":** **bassist Christian McBride** with Ron Blake, tenor saxophone; David Gilmour, guitar; DJ Logic, turntables \$35 / \$28
Purchase tickets [online](#) or call 973-313-ARTS

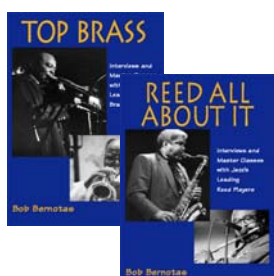
Lehigh University, [Zoellner Arts Center](#), Bethlehem, PA
Sun., March 15, 3:00: **LU Jazz Faculty:** "Song of Storyville" \$12
Fri., March 27, 8:00: **New York Repertory Ensemble:** "Electric Miles" \$18
Both concerts: Baker Hall; box office: 610-758-2787

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LOCAL JAZZ VENUES

Café Baci (@ Mama's Restaurant, 260 Mountain Ave., Hackettstown, NJ): Jazz 7:00-10:00, 3rd Fri. of every month. 908-852-2820/2821
Mama's Restaurant/Café Baci is an underwriter of WNTI and Just Jazz.

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

Papillon25 (25 Valley St., South Orange, NJ): Jazz every Thurs., 8:00-11:30. 973-761-5299

Shanghai Jazz Restaurant & Bar (24 Main St., Madison, NJ): Jazz every Tues.-Sun. 973-822-2899

Walpack Inn (Rt. 615, Walpack Center, NJ 07881): Jazz every Fri., 8:00-10:00. 973-948-3890

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. Just click [here](#) and follow the instructions and submission guidelines. PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR INFO AT LEAST TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE. Email any questions to [events@wnti.org](#)

If you'd prefer not to receive any future *Just Jazz* e-Newsletters, click [here](#).

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