



The name says it all...

Just Jazz

June 2009

Hi Friends –

I'm delighted to announce that on **Sunday, June 14**, I'll be joined in the *Just Jazz* studio by two **guest co-hosts**, and great friends, **soprano saxophonist-flutist Jane Bunnett** and **trumpeter-producer Larry Cramer**. They also are two of the co-founders of Toronto's **Art of Jazz**, an energetic not-for-profit organization that is dedicated to the cultivation of jazz education and performance in and around that city.

I've known Jane and Larry, and admired their work – especially their bold and innovative collaborations with musicians from Cuba – for many years, so you can bet we'll have a lot to talk about and a lot of great music to play.

Stay cool and keep list'nin',
Bob

Now on jazzbob.com: my 2000 profile of pianist-composer **Randy Weston**; you also can read my **liner notes** to Jane Bunnett's Grammy-nominated 2002 CD, *Cuban Odyssey* and my **review** of the 2008 Art of Jazz Spring Celebration.

Congratulations to the **2010 National Endowment for the Arts Jazz Masters**: pianist-composer **Muhai Richard Abrams**, pianist **Kenny Barron**, composer-arranger **Bill Holman**, vibraphonist **Bobby Hutchinson**, multi-reedplayer **Yusef Lateef**, singer **Annie Ross**, and pianist **Cedar Walton**.

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. Eastern Time (US) on the Internet at [Pure Jazz Radio](http://PureJazzRadio.com).



Just Jazz Presents... Features:
6/7: guitarist **Charlie Christian** (**June Just Jazz Artist of the Month**)
6/14: **guest co-hosts: Jane Bunnett & Larry Cramer***
6/21: Singers Hour
6/28: The Best of *Just Jazz**
**starting at 10:00 p.m.*

**Sundays during Just Jazz
Midnight -1:00 a.m. @ wnti.org**

**Just Jazz Presents with
Bob Bernotas:**
6/6: The Songs of Johnny Mercer
6/13: vibraphonist Milt Jackson
6/20: bassist Charles Mingus
6/27: trombonist J.J. Johnson

**Saturdays 9:00-10:00 a.m. & p.m.
@ [Pure Jazz Radio](http://PureJazzRadio.com)**

Quotes of the Month (three authors and a tenor saxophonist)

If one hears bad music it is one's duty to drown it by one's conversation.

– **Oscar Wilde**

Wagner's music is better than it sounds.

– **Mark Twain**

Hell is full of musical amateurs.

– **George Bernard Shaw**

Music is a very hard instrument.

– **Vido Musso**

Recommended Internet Jazz Radio

Pure Jazz Radio: a 24-7-365 celebration of jazz, featuring the "Founding Fathers," the current "Keepers of the Flame," and everyone in between.

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

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

NEW & RECOMMENDED CDS

Helio Alves: It's Clear ([Reservoir Music](http://ReservoirMusic.com)): This latest release by Brazilian pianist Helio Alves proves, without question, that he belongs among the top rank of today's keyboard artists. Alves and a Pan-American ensemble — Brazilian guitarist Romeo Lubambo, American bassist Scott Colley, Cuban drummer Ernesto Simpson — turn out some superior Brazilian-infused jazz, mixing original tunes with pieces by Moacir Santos, Egberto Gismonti, Tom Jobim, and others.

Bobby Sanabria & the Manhattan School of Music Afro-Cuban Jazz Orchestra: Kenya Revisited Live!!! ([Jazzheads](http://Jazzheads.com)): Conducting, and performing with, this superb conservatory orchestra, percussionist Bobby Sanabria offers a reverent and impeccably rendered tribute to one of the landmark recordings of Afro-Cuban jazz, Machito's 1957 classic, *Kenya*. The astounding 87-year-old conga master, Candido, who played on the original Machito sessions, adds his unique energy to several tracks.

Gina Schwarz & Richard Oesterreicher: AirBass ([ATS Records](http://ATSRecords.com)): Bassist Gina Schwarz and harmonica player Richard Oesterreicher, two of Austria's most gifted jazz artists, have produced an engaging collection of tuneful pieces, most of them composed by Schwarz. At various times the ensemble includes bass clarinet, vibes, guitar, percussion, and a string quartet, generating a fresh, original sound-palette that cannot help but surprise and delight the attentive listener.

Kendra Shank: Mosaic ([Challenge](http://Challenge.com)): Kendra Shank does things that few other singers would attempt — or imagine. She and longtime colleagues pianist Frank Kimbrough, bassist Dean Johnson, and drummer Tony Moreno have transcended the familiar "singer plus rhythm" format to create a truly collaborative unit. Every track of this striking new release, some augmented by saxophonist Billy Drewes and guitarist Ben Monder, illustrates their cohesive interplay.

SELECTED JAZZ EVENTS

sanofi-aventis JazzFest 2009: Drew University, Madison, NJ
Fri., June 5: "Stars of Tomorrow Concert" featuring NJ's top high school jazz bands, **7:00-10:00 FREE!**

Sat., June 6: Music all day and evening by world class jazz acts including **Houston Person, Trio da Paz, the Benny Goodman Tribute Big Band, and the Diva Jazz Orchestra**
Gates open at 11:00, non-stop music begins at noon and goes until 10:00 p.m.

Tickets: advance: \$40; at the gate: \$65
full-time students (w/ID): \$10; kids under 16: FREE
Tickets can be purchased online or by calling 1-800-303-NJJS

Toronto, Canada: Fri.-Sun., June 5-7:

Art of Jazz Global Jazz Village 2009 "Italian Style"
Toronto's Art of Jazz honors Italian jazz and culture, filling the city's historic Distillery District with live jazz mixed with the sweet aroma of Italian cooking, fine wines, beer, and street art. Free and ticketed events include performances by guitarist **Pat Martino**, singer **Roberta Gambarini**, drummer **Rashied Ali**, saxophonist **Christine Jensen**, plus workshops, jam sessions, photo exhibits, author readings, and more!

CD Release Gig (not too far away from NYC):

Fri., June 12, 7:00 & 9:00: pianist **Joel LaRue Smith** Trio celebrates the release of the *Just Jazz* Recommended CD **September's Child** @ [Ariande Restaurant & Bar](http://AriandeRestaurant.com), 344 Walnut St., Newton, MA
617-332-4653

AND COMING NEXT MONTH: JAZZ IN JULY

Four Saturday evenings of great jazz
Centenary College, Hackettstown, NJ

Full info will appear in next month's Just Jazz e-Newsletter

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

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LOCAL JAZZ VENUES

Café Baci (@ [Mama's Restaurant](http://MamasRestaurant.com))
260 Mountain Ave., Hackettstown, NJ; Jazz: 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./PA Rt. 611, Delaware Water Gap, PA
Jazz: Thurs., 8:00-11:00
Fri. & Sat., 7:00-11:00
Sun. 5:00-8:00. 570-424-2000

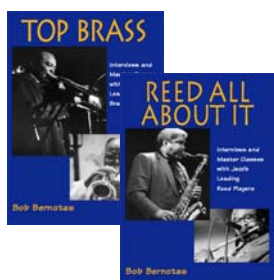
Shanghai Jazz Restaurant & Bar
24 Main St., Madison, NJ
Jazz: Tues.-Sun. 973-822-2899

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