



The name says it all...

Just Jazz

December 2011

Hi Friends –

I've always wondered, when the three wise men brought that Jesus kid those gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh, were those birthday presents or Christmas presents? Well either way, once someone gives you gold, anything else you get looks pretty shabby.

In case you were wondering, myrrh is an aromatic gum resin with a bitter, pungent taste. Where do you even buy stuff like that? And why would anyone give it as a present? Soap on a rope or a chip-and-dip dish would have been much more practical. (Another thing: if those three guys were so damn wise, why were they working on Christmas?)

Now everybody knows that Jesus was born in a barn because there were no rooms at the Holiday Inn and even the Howard Johnson's was full. (That always happens during the holidays.) So with all those cows and donkeys around, I guess that incense came in pretty handy after all.

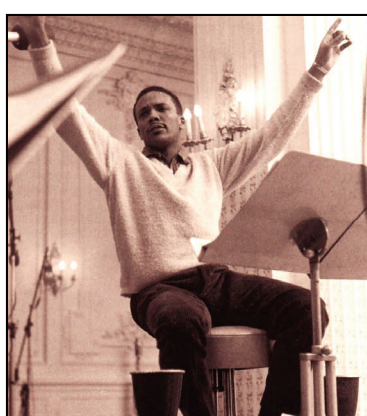
But then his folks got a nice house in a good neighborhood – that must have been what they did with the gold – and, like all kids, he'd come home after soccer practice and leave the front door open. But here's the cool part: When his mom would yell, "Close that door! Were you born in a barn?" he could answer, "Yeah, I was."

Keep list'nin' and have a Cool Yule,
Bob

Don't miss my annual "Just Jazz Cool Yule Special" on Sunday, December 18 – five hours of holiday music by the greats of jazz. (It'll be reprised on Christmas Day.) Then on New Year's Day 2012 it's my "The Year in Jazz (Just Jazz, that is) Special."

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 [PureJazz Radio](http://PureJazzRadio.com).



Just Jazz Artist of the Month
composer-arranger-
bandleader [Quincy Jones](http://wnti.org)

Just Jazz Presents... Features
12/4 : Trombone Hour
12/11: Big Band Hour

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

And my year-end
Just Jazz special programs
12/18: **The 8th Annual Just Jazz**
"Cool Yule" Special
12/25: **"Cool Yule" One More Time**
1/1: **2011: The Year in Jazz**

Just Jazz Presents
with Bob Bernotas
12/3 & 6: Harry Warren
12/10 & 13: *Porgy and Bess*
12/17 & 20: "Cool Yule," Part I
12/24 & 27: "Cool Yule," Part II
12/31 & 1/3: Johnny Hodges

Saturdays 9:00-10:00 a.m. & p.m.
& Tuesdays 11:00 p.m. –midnight
@ [Pure Jazz Radio](http://PureJazzRadio.com)

HOLIDAY MOVIE QUOTES OF THE MONTH

Hello? Santa Claus' reindeer? Uh, uh, well yes I can. Uh, uh, let's see now, there's Dopey, Sneezy, Grouchy, Happy, Sleepy, Rudolph, and Blitzen! You're welcome!

– Spencer Tracy
Desk Set

"Twelve Days of Christmas!" One day of Christmas is loathsome enough.

– Laurence Harvey
The Manchurian Candidate

Recommended Internet Jazz Radio

[Pure Jazz Radio](http://PureJazzRadio.com): 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](http://wnti.org)").

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

[Jazz Spotlight on Sinatra](http://JazzSpotlight.com): 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).

THE JUST JAZZ 10 BEST NEW JAZZ CDS OF 2011

- Duduka Da Fonseca: *The Duduka Da Fonseca Trio Plays Toninho Horta*** (Zoho)
- Claire Daly: *Mary Joyce Project: Nothing to Lose*** (Daly Bread)
- Jeff Fairbanks' Project Hansori: *Mulberry Street*** (bjv)
- Roy Haynes: *Roy-alty*** (Dreyfus)
- Nilson Matta & Roni Ben-Hur: *Mojave*** (Motéma)
- Virginia Mayhew: *Mary Lou Williams: The Next 100 Years*** (Renma)
- Mark Nightingale: *Out of the Box*** (Woodville)
- Ted Rosenthal: *Out of This World*** (Playscape)
- Terell Stafford: *This Side of Strayhorn*** (MaxJazz)
- Martin Wind: *Get It?*** (Laika)

BEST LATIN CDS:

BRAZILIAN: Jovino Santos Neto: *Veja o Son / See the Sound* (Adventure Music)

CUBAN: Jane Bunnett & Hilario Duran: *Cuban Rhapsody* (Alma)

BEST REISSUE CDS:

Curtis Fuller: *Soul Trombone / Cabin in the Sky* (Impulse)

Frank Sinatra & Count Basie: *The Complete Reprise Studio Recordings* (Concord Jazz)

BEST BOX SETS:

The Complete Atlantic Studio Recordings of The Modern Jazz Quartet 1956-64 (Mosaic)

The Complete Jimmie Lunceford Decca Sessions (Mosaic)

I'll featuring these excellent 2011 releases on my special **January 1st "Year in Review"** edition of *Just Jazz*. I'll also be paying tribute to the giants of music who left us during this past year. Ray Bryant, Frank Foster, Joe Morello, Paul Motian, George Shearing, Pete Rugolo, Joe Lee Wilson, Snooky Young.

UPCOMING JAZZ EVENTS

Sat., December 3, 8:00: [Jazz Ensemble, Band & Combo](http://wnti.org)
Lehigh's student ensembles play modern and classic jazz; Bill Warfield, director
Zoellner Arts Center, Baker Hall, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA \$15; 670-758-2787

Sun., December 4, 2:00 Sparta Public Library Presents
"Our Holiday Reception" with Unit One: John Hart, guitar;
Mark Egan, electric bass; Karl Latham, drums
22 Wootport Rd., Sparta, NJ; 973-729-3101; **FREE!**

Fri., December 16, noon & 8:00: [Holiday Jazz Concert:](http://wnti.org)
pianist David Leonhardt Trio
The Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College
118 Lamington Rd., Branchburg, NJ
Noon \$10 / 8:00 \$30; 908-725-3420

AND COMING NEXT MONTH...

"[Jazz in January](http://wnti.org)" @ The Lackland Center, Centenary College
715 Grand Ave., Hackettstown, NJ

Sat., Jan. 14: singer Denise King Sextet
\$22.50 in advance / \$27.50 at the door / \$17.50 18 years & under

Sat., Jan. 21: Diva Jazz Orchestra & Maurice Hines
\$30 in advance / \$35 at the door / \$25 18 years & under

Sat., Jan. 28: All-Star Jazz Jam: Robin Eubanks, trombone; Jerry
Weldon, tenor saxophone; Warren Wolf, vibes; Jesse Green, piano;
Rufus Reid, bass; Dennis Mackrel, drums

\$22.50 in advance / \$27.50 at the door / \$17.50 18 years & under
All three concerts: \$70 in advance; Concerts start at 4:00

Tickets on sale now!: [online](http://wnti.org); box office: 908-979-0900

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](http://wnti.org) and follow the instructions and submission guidelines. PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR INFO AT LEAST TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE. Email questions to: evets@wnti.org.

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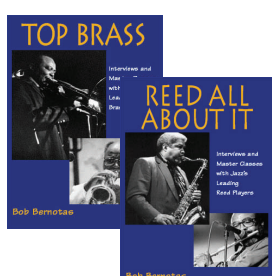
[Café Baci](http://wnti.org) (@ Mama's Restaurant)
260 Mountain Ave., Hackettstown, NJ
3rd Fri. of the month, 7:00-10:00
908-852-2820
Mama's Restaurant/Café Baci is an underwriter of WNTI and Just Jazz.

[The Deer Head Inn](http://wnti.org)
Main St., Delaware Water Gap, PA
Thurs., 8:00-11:00; Fri. & Sat., 7:00-11:00; Sun. 5:00-8:00; 570-424-2000

[Shanghai Jazz Restaurant & Bar](http://wnti.org)
24 Main St., Madison, NJ
Tues.-Sun.; 973-822-2899

[Acclaimed Jazz Books by Bob](http://wnti.org)
Top Brass: Interviews and
Master Classes with Jazz's
Leading Brass Players

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\$20 each, plus shipping:
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