



**14th Annual
Great Tropical Jazz Party
27 – 29 August 2010**

NEWSLETTER May 2010

Dear Magnetic Jazz Members and Friends,

It's now only three months to the 14th Great Tropical Jazz Party. The only change to the line-up listed in the March newsletter is the withdrawal of Florida pianist Billy Marcus. Billy has been offered a gig stateside for the entire summer, an offer too good to refuse. From a marketing angle it would have been good to have an American musician headlining again, but most of the outstanding Australian musicians we present at the GTJP are internationally acclaimed, regularly touring overseas, studying, attending workshops and winning international awards.

The festival program has been completed (subject to change) and the musician's flights and accommodation are booked. Available in advance on request.

We are delighted to present a youth segment Friday night with the **Kirwan State High School Band**, who will open the festival at 7pm.

Here is the line-up of all the bands; there are some old friends and lots of new faces.....

Miles Kind Of Blue Tribute Band – **Canberra & Sydney**

Miroslav Bukovsky - trumpet
John Mackey - tenor Sax
Matthew Handel - alto sax
Luke Sweeting - piano
Jonathon Zwartz - bass
Mark Sutton - drums

John Hoffman Quintet – **Featuring Montreux Jazz Festival vocal award winner Kristin Berardi**

John Hoffman - trumpet
David Spicer - piano
Georgia Weber - bass
Richard Seymour - drums

Jeremy Borthwick Sextet – **Sydney**

Jeremy Borthwick - trombone
Ben Hauptmann - guitar
David Theak - saxophone
Alex Boneham - bass
Anthony Howe - drums
Victoria Frostis - vocal

Ingrid James Quartet – **Brisbane**

Ingrid James - vocal
John Reeves - piano
Dave Pudney - bass
Jim Piessee - drums

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Neilsen Gough Quartet - Sydney

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Greg Coffin - piano
Mark Harris - bass
Nic Cecire - drums

Sandie White Quartet – Sydney

John Reeves - piano
Dave Pudney - bass
Jim Peisse - drums
Sandie White - vocals

The format for the GTJP remains unchanged, with two evening concerts, two daytime concerts poolside and two jam sessions.

The Saturday night concert in the Cleveland Room will feature the fabulous **Kristin Berardi**, winner of the **2007 Jazz Vocalist Award at the Montreux Jazz Festival in Switzerland**; the concert will lead into the big Jam Session. On Sunday night the musicians will wind-down with their informal dinner and jam, this is always a great session with the musos, so stay over for Sunday night if you can. The last ferry to Townsville departs at 10.05pm.

Funding applications were submitted to the Hayles Trust and Townsville City Council. We are still waiting on the outcome of these. Most of our previous sponsors are continuing their support. If you know of a business or person who may like to give sponsorship support to help keep jazz alive in the North, please inform us as soon as possible so their name/logo can be added to the brochure.

The All Seasons Resort (previously the International) is organizing a sunset Black & White Cocktail Party on the resort Terrace, Monday June 28. All proceeds will be donated to the Magnetic Jazz Association to assist with musicians airfares. Background music will be provide by pianist Derek FitzGerald

If you would like to become a member of the Magnetic Jazz Assoc. please email magneticjazz@hotmail.net.au and we will send you a membership form; Membership is \$10.

Tickets will be sold at the venue. If you wish to purchase in advance ring 4778 5918

Weekend Pass for all five sessions\$70.
Day Passes for Saturday & Sunday..... \$35
Evening Sessions..... \$25
Day & Evening Pass for two Saturday concerts & jam..... \$50
Student & Pensioner Concessions, Family Passes and a discount for members are available.

To book your accommodation early at All Seasons, phone 07 4778 5200; they have all inclusive packages to offer; there are of course other accommodation options without the package, if you are a group you may prefer to rent a holiday house.

Brochures will be mail-dropped to major suburbs on the mainland and on the island, but if you can assist by distributing some at your office, shops, clubs etc. please contact me at the phone number or email address below. Kindly forward this letter to your contact list.

Best regards
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