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Jazz Eureka 2016 Features Brubeck Brothers Quartet

The lineup for 2016 Jazz Eureka Festival has been announced for the annual event that takes place September 8 through 11 in Eureka Springs, Arkansas.

The festival kicks off on Thursday, September 8 with a Roaring 20's party on the lawn of the Crescent Hotel gardens at 75 Prospect. There will be live music by Crescent City Combo, light food, and drink specials from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Tickets are \$10 and available at the door, and costumes are welcome.

The Rodney Block Collective will join us for a Block Party in Basin Spring Park on Friday, September 9 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Block is an Arkansas native and one of the state's most in-demand artists, building a niche in the jazz and hip-hop genres. Block has shared the stage with Earth, Wind, and Fire, Kirk Whalum, Ellis Marsalis, and many others.

On Saturday, September 10, Basin Spring Park will be host to free jazz concerts from noon until 6 p.m. with stellar acts from around the region. The first performance of the day is father & son guitar virtuosos Matt & Gus Smith. Gus Smith is an Arkansas native and has played to worldwide audiences with the Navy Fleet Big Band. Matt Smith has spearheaded many projects of original and progressive music. As a duo Matt and Gus have recently released a CD "Full Circle". They are truly Ozark born and bred jazz treasures.

At 1:30 p.m. The Claudia Burson Trio will take the stage. The Matriarch of Jazz in this region, Claudia and her trio have performed a wide variety of traditional jazz and original music for over 15 years. She was recently paid tribute by the North Arkansas Jazz Society. Society President Robert Ginsburg says: "She embodies what this music is all about".

Next, the Calle Soul Band will perform at 3:00 p.m. Calle Soul plays a variety of traditional Latin dance music fused with the exciting sounds of American jazz. With an emphasis on musicality and

groove, Calle Soul seeks to provide their audience with an experience that is unlike any in the region – satisfying to salsa dancers and music lovers from all walks of life.

Following Calle Soul at 4:30 p.m. will be Justin Young with his smooth jazz saxophone. Young has appeared at the Capitol Jazz Super Cruise along with the likes of Boney James and Brian Culbertson. His 2007 release "On the Way" features collaborations with Grammy award winners Tom Brown, Tim Bowman, and Spyro Gyras' Tom Schuman.

The headline show for the weekend takes place at the historic Eureka Springs Auditorium at 36 S. Main Street on Saturday, September 10 at 8:00 p.m., featuring The Brubeck Brothers Quartet. The Brubeck Brothers Quartet is an exciting jazz group featuring two members of one of America's most accomplished musical families, Daniel Brubeck (drums) and Chris Brubeck (bass & trombone). Guitarist Mike DeMicco, and pianist Chuck Lamb, complete this dynamic quartet. The Quartet has performed at concert series, colleges, and jazz festivals across North America and Europe including the Newport, Detroit, Ravinia, Las Vegas, Sedona, Spokane and Monterey Jazz Festivals. Their Koch release, "Classified", has already earned this rave review from All About Jazz: "Once again the Brubeck Brothers Quartet attains that rarefied level where music is both relaxed and expressive, and their joy in its creation is contagious. There's really nothing out there that comes close to their unique brand of inventiveness."

As a special musical treat to this performance only, the 12 piece Fayetteville Jazz Collective horn ensemble will be accompanying the Brubeck Brothers during the second half of the show. This ensemble is comprised of both professional and advanced student horn players from the Northwest Arkansas region.

Tickets for the show are \$30 and available for purchase at www.theauditorium.org. A local and group rate is available using the code JAZZEUREKA2016 at checkout.

Following the Auditorium show, there will be a club jazz jam party at Brews at 2 Pine Street.

Admission is free.

On Sunday, September 11, the Crystal Dining Room at the Crescent Hotel & Spa at 75 Prospect will host a Jazz Brunch from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. with live Music and Dancing. Brunch is \$24.95 per person with complimentary champagne. Reservations recommended by calling: 479-253-9652

For more information on the festival, please visit www.jazzeureka.org.

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