

Back in the Groove

*Sundays in July at 2 pm at
the Civic Center Library*

Long-awaited Jazz in July, underwritten by the Friends of the Livermore Library, lets us kick back and relax to some awesome music. These talented musicians each have their own sound and style, with improvisation often raised to an art form, so they make something familiar sound fresh and personal. Curious? Come explore with us!

July 2: Dave Rocha Jazz Group

Dave Rocha has been performing with his jazz group for more than 20 years. His band plays an eclectic mix of jazz standards, “pop” tunes, and original compositions, in a wide variety of styles. In addition to his trumpet expertise, Rocha is also an accomplished flugelhorn player. This instrument is similar to the trumpet, but has a larger bell, which gives it a darker, mellower sound. This year, the group will be playing “straight-ahead,” modern jazz, with an eclectic mix of rhythms, tempos and styles.

July 9: Tod Dickow & Charged Particles play the music of Michael Brecker

Michael Brecker was an innovator on the tenor saxophone whose unique voice and approach to the instrument influenced every performing saxophonist. Winner of 15 Grammy Awards, he was a prolific composer and leader of The Brecker Brothers, Steps Ahead, the Pat Metheny-Michael Brecker Special Quartet, and other bands. At this show, Brecker’s music will be played by tenor saxophonist Tod Dickow with renowned Bay Area jazz trio Charged Particles (Murray Low, Aaron Germain, and Jon Krosnick). The performance will include complex and fascinating arrangements, fun funky and Latin rhythms, plenty of swinging, and touching romantic ballads.



Tod Dickow

July 16: Kurt Ribak Quartet

Kurt Ribak is a bassist, bandleader, and songwriter, whose music has been described as “soulful, accessible, and eclectic original jazz.” Kurt himself says what he’s trying for in his music is “Charles Mingus meets The Meters. They go to Duke Ellington’s house to jam, and Cachao and Thelonious Monk sit in.” Kurt learned early on that he loved composition and songwriting. Early tunes reflect a strong Thelonious Monk influence, while others reflect his love of the great Charles Mingus. Later tunes

bring to mind Horace Silver, Lee Morgan, and the South African composer, Abdullah Ibrahim. Kurt leads his group at venues throughout the greater San Francisco Bay Area and beyond.

July 23: Mimi Fox performs Lennon/McCartney

World-renowned guitarist/recording artist/composer Mimi Fox presents a special concert eloquently rendering the music of Lennon/McCartney in an intimate solo guitar setting. She has performed this show worldwide to great acclaim. Fox has been named a winner in six consecutive DownBeat magazine international critics’ polls, and has headlined the most prestigious venues from the Newport Folk Festival to the Montreal Jazz Festival.

July 30: Kalil Wilson & the Dan Marschak Trio

Long-time collaborators Kalil Wilson, Dan Marschak, Cindy Browne-Rosefield, and Genius Wesley share an intimate afternoon of re-imagined standards and vibrant originals. Wilson has captivated audiences and music critics alike with his vocal prowess and versatility. His bright re-imaginings of jazz standards and originals bow to the rich history of great jazz singing while melding seamlessly with his heartfelt, eclectic stylings. Kalil will be joined by his regular trio: Dan Marschak, Cindy Browne-Rosefield, and Genius Wesley.



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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEET

Third Thursday 7 pm at Civic Center
Library Board Room
Jan., Mar., May, Jul., Sept., & Nov.

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FINANCIAL REPORT

July 1, 2016 – April 30, 2017	
Total Income:	\$63,086
Total Expenses:	\$19,083
Library Grants:	\$44,750
Net Assets:	\$123,145

President's Message

Welcome to summer! This is the busiest time of year for the Library programs we fund for the community, which include the Summer Reading Program, Jazz in July and many others. Our Bookstore volunteers are working hard to make it even easier to find your favorite books in our bookstore and you'll notice new signs outside the Civic Center Library to highlight our presence.

We have launched a new promotion: Instant Membership for only \$10!

When you visit the Friends Bookstore, it's easy to be an "instant member."

- 1) Fill out your name, email or mailing address, and pay \$10.
- 2) Instantly you'll get a \$10 punch card that may be used to pay for your current or future purchases. (Full value is returned through your purchase of our inexpensive books and DVDs!) Instant memberships also make great presents for friends and family members.

In addition, you will see Friends' tables (with books and friendly volunteers) at several Livermore Farmers' Markets, and other events. Our Friends' newsletters are available in the Library café, The Daily Grind; at the kiosk near the Children's section, other library branches and our satellite locations.

If participating in some of these fun activities or helping to support these fabulous community programs sounds like your cup of tea, you can also donate online at www.crowdrise.com/donate/charity/friends-of-the-livermore-public-library/0, and/or fill out a volunteer or membership form in the Bookstore. We look forward to seeing you. Have a great summer at the Library!

Members, please note: our Annual Meeting will be June 15, 2017 from 6:30-8:30 pm in Community Room A&B at the Civic Center branch. During the meeting, the election of the Friends' Board of Directors for Fiscal Year 2017 will take place. All members are encouraged to attend.

– Dave Runyon



Linda Jean Davis

Friends Volunteer of the Year

Photo by Bill Leach

Linda Jean Davis has been chosen as the 2017 Friends of the Livermore Library Volunteer of the Year. She is a familiar face at the Friends bookstore as she works multiple shifts and readily offers to extend herself whenever help is needed. Over the years, she has been an integral part of many of the Friends functions, including book sales, other events and assisting at our social gatherings. Linda is always ready to lend a hand with a smile. She readily declares, “The best part of my job is being around books, meeting all kinds of people in the Bookstore and working with library staff.”

Linda’s father was a career Navy man, so her family moved around every few years as she was growing up. “It was a good thing,” she says. It presented her with the opportunity to meet many people, while she also learned quickly how to make new friends. It also gave her a lifelong love of travel, so there are few places in the world she hasn’t visited. One of her favorites is Australia. Linda says, “I just love the people—they are happy and friendly and know how to laugh.” Darwin, Perth and Sydney are some of her favorite places to visit Australian friends. She is a potter when time permits, and loves reading, of course!

Linda is a retired preschool and kindergarten teacher who wanted to continue to learn, grow and give back after her salaried years were over. She began volunteering in literacy tutoring when the new Civic Center branch opened, almost 13 years ago, but could not resist the lure of books and talking to people in the Bookstore. Fellow volunteer Mary Meyer, who shares several shifts



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with Linda, says, “Linda is great to work with. She handles difficult situations or unique customer problems with tact and kindness.”

Her devotion to libraries stems from her childhood. Her mother was an avid reader, so in every new duty assignment, her family found the library right away. “There is nothing better than the library to give you a sense of the community you live in. This library is a jewel, thanks to our community,” says Linda. “Working here is a continuous learning process. I help bookstore visitors to find the books they want. If I don’t know about the one they want, I ask them to tell me about it. Then I can learn about it, too.”



Friends Authors & Arts Series

Find Your Awesome, a creative journal adventure Sunday, June 4, 2-3 pm, Civic Center

Be inspired by author/illustrator Judy Clement Wall, who will guide you through this challenge--to learn to love and value yourself, so that you will be the fullest, truest, best-loved version of yourself.

Livermore Shakespeare Festival Previews Wednesday, June 21, 7-8 pm, Civic Center

Come see a preview of Livermore Shakespeare Festival's productions of Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and Edmond Rostand's *Cyrano de Bergerac*. Livermore Shakes company members will share rehearsal strategies and practices, demonstrating some of the fascinating processes that create a professionally staged production.

Enjoy the full production at Wentle Vineyards this summer.
See more at www.livermoreshakes.org.

Tribute to Woody Guthrie: American Balladeer Sunday, June 25, 2017, 2 pm, Civic Center

Legendary folksinger, storyteller, and autoharp virtuoso Adam Miller will perform a concert exploring the life and songs of American balladeer Woody Guthrie, who wrote over 1,000 American songs -- including "This Land is Your Land," one of the most widespread English language folksongs.

Awakening the Power of Self-Healing with Meir Schneider

Thursday, June 8, 7-8 pm Civic Center

The Self-Healing Method is comprehensive and integrated, combining movement education, therapeutic massage, self-massage, passive movement, gentle movement exercises, breathing, visualization, and natural vision improvement. Find the ability to take active control of your health through an accessible, natural, and life-affirming regimen of exercises for physical, mental, and spiritual balance.

For more information or to RSVP for this event, please contact Paul Sevilla at 925-373-5573.



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