

11th Anniversary "Save Our Music"

[Vacaville Jazz Festival](#)

Vacaville, California, USA

FREE Admission

September 17th thru September 19th, Friday thru Sunday



11th Annual "Save Our Music" Vacaville Jazz Festival held Downtown & Nut Tree at 4 stages. The Vaca Jazz Society (VJS) is a non-profit organization which supports local school music programs through the "Save Our Music" free camps & clinics, education, demonstration concerts, and the pursuit of safe quality family entertainment in the community. The Jazz Society will celebrate their 11th Anniversary from September 17th thru September 19th, promoting the "free consumption of quality music in our communities and schools." This is Vacaville's original Performing Arts Festival, with up to "30 group artist/ four venues," performing Dixieland, swing, bebop, big bands, smooth Latin, cultural music, and vocal jazz during the 3rd weekend of September each year, established in 1999 by the Vaca Jazz Society.

VJS's annual "Free" Youth Music Camps featuring the VacaCity Stage Orchestra (VCSO All-Star youth band, which started weekly every Wednesday on August 11th thru September 15th at the Vacaville Public Library, concluding with a recital performances on September 18th at our Downtown Main stage at the Town Square Plaza, between 10am to 5pm. For additional information you can go to the Vacaville Public Library-Town Square website at www.solanolibrary.com, or visit our VJS website at www.VacaJazz.com. Please call Education Director Jim Lucas at (707)374-7567 for future music programs at the Library for the VacaCity Stage Orchestra- Youth All Stars. "The annual performances are presented by Solano County Library and sponsored by the Live Music Center in Vacaville.

Crossroads Jazz Camps" begin at Downtown's Town Square on Friday evening, September 17th, from 6pm to 9pm with children playing on the water features while families enjoy the eclectic sounds of "Vaca Jazz at Town Square" and the Festival's demonstration concerts dubbed the "Crossroads Jazz Camps" continue at Town Square on Saturday, from 10am to 5pm, and Sunday from noon to 4pm with demonstrations performed by professional musicians and free music clinics taught by renowned jazz educators at the Library and Chamber of Commerce. Families can savor our musical heritage during the Jazz Fest Camps and enjoy the downtown Shops and restaurants. Jazz Camp performers and clinician teachers such as Ken Stout, Bob Nadler, Dalt Williams, Steve Logoteta and his Vallejo Community Big Band are showcased at the Crossroads Jazz Camps at the Downtown Square. Don Kidder's Delta Flyers will be our featured group at the Town Square.

Nut Tree begins our Multi Cultural Music Heritage of "World Jubilee Day" held at the Nut Tree Plaza, Saturday, September 18th, from 1pm to 9pm, bringing Global Rhythm. America's tribute to the eclectic contribution's of music from all nations that contribute to America's Music Roots and the music common denominator is "Rhythm." Ranging from European's Celtic, Irish, Italian, Spanish, Asian & islander Pacific, Filipino, Mexican, Jamaican, South American, Brazilian, Afro Cuban, and more music celebrated and performed in this all nations day music tribute. Keith Stout's Alive Music Orchestra will open at 5pm for the Sapo Guapo Latin Band on Saturday September 18th at 7pm.

Gospel Jazz Sunday begins at St. Mary's Church in Vacaville with Bill Bachmann's American Heritage Band performing for "Jazz Mass" on Sunday, September 12th at 10:30am at corner of Stinson & Hemlock.

"Freedom's Gate" Military Tribute & Gospel Sunday continues a week later, September 19th, from 1pm to 7pm, with a special presentation by Don Kidder, Retired Col USAF, Mayor Augustine, Ret Col USAF and Col James Vechery, 60th Air Mobility Wing Commander at Travis AFB. Gospel Choirs and Church bands, Jazz Vespers and musicians will be paying tribute to the many sacrifices made by our U S Military and Veterans in honor of POW/MIA Day. AMO Rhythm & Brass (Contemporary Christian), Keith Stout's Alive Music Orchestra w/ Pastor Frank Salamone, Chris Grokenberger, and featured Tribute headliner the USAF Band of the Golden West "The Commanders," from Travis Air Force Base will conclude the three day festival.

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Performers

Includes Live Music Center's Piggy Puddin' Pie, Smooth Jazz by Stingy Brim Band, 2nd Planet, Funky Saxman Ken Stout Band, Tony Alvis Real Music Ensemble, Bob Nadler, & Lambazz just to name a few. VJF also features school jazz bands from Dixon, Vaca High, Vanden, and the VCS Radio Jazz Band. Northern California's "Best featured artist Don Kidder and the Delta Flyers, Dalt Williams Quintet, Keith Stout's Alive Music Orchestra, with vocalist Frank Salamone, Chris Grokenberger, Art & Julie Stout, and renown featured pianist Delbert Bump. Saturday will also be featuring the Kupunes Asian / Islanders Filipino & Hawaiian music from Solano, Salsa Latin music by Sapu Guapo, and many more other cultural music groups. Gospel Jazz Sunday/ Military Tribute will also feature contemporary Christian music by AMO Rhythm & Brass, opening for the headline act the United States Air Force Band of the Golden West "The Commanders," from Travis Air Force. VJS Website for upcoming schedule: www.VacaJazz.com

Directions to Downtown Vacaville Town Square, Public Library, Chamber of Commerce, & Nut Tree Plaza & Borders: Downtown Vacaville Venues: Coming from SF go down I-80 Freeway East. Take the Davis Street exit. Take a left on Davis Street and left on Main Street. Coming from Sacramento go down I-80 Freeway West bound take the Davis Street Exit, then take a left on Davis Street, and take a left on Main Street towards Town Square Plaza / Library at "One Town Sq Place."

Nut Tree Venues: Drive I-80 Freeway east bound and take the Orange drive exit. Take right on Orange Dr and then right on Nut Tree Rd. Go over over freeway overpass. Take a left on E. Monte Vista Avenue with venue locations at Nut Tree Plaza & Borders, 1641 E. Monte Vista Ave, CA 95688. Coming from Sac: Take the E. Monte Vista freeway exit. At the stop light cross the intersection and drive into Nut Tree.

Venues

Downtown Vacaville at Town Square Plaza, Vacaville Library, Chamber of Commerce, Nut Tree Plaza, and Borders at Nut Tree Village. (Detail Schedule of Performers will be posted on www.VacaJazz.com)

Sponsors

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VJS Christmas Fundraiser Concert

Friday December 17th, at 7pm *19th Annual Alive Music Orchestra, AMO Christmas Show* at the Vacaville Performing Arts Theater.

Contact Information

The Vaca Jazz Society is a 501(c) (3) tax-exempt organization. For more information on the Society, go to www.vacajazzsociety.org and or call the office at (707) 452-1351 or Don Kidder at (707) 448-2832. For support donations contact Mike Cherry, fundraising chairman, at 707-365-7311. Vendor information please contact Steve Hunt from Solano County Live at 707-720-9523.