

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MEDFORD
Sunday, November 13, 2022

JAZZ VESPERS

5:00 PM

MARK HAMERSLY QUINTET

With **Vanessa Finney**



BETTY BARSS - ARTIST

PROGRAM

Opening Music
Finney

Mark Hamersly Quintet/Vanessa

Welcome

Murray Richmond

Reading
Music

Murray Richmond
Mark Hamersly

Quintet/Vanessa Finney

Meditation

Murray Richmond

Art Notes

Betty Barss

Closing

Murray Richmond

Music to Go Home By
Finney

Mark Hamersly Quintet/Vanessa

Thank you, Friends, for the generous freewill offerings that you put in the entrance basket in order keep our Jazz Vespers program going.

Our Guest Musicians this Month are:

Mark Hamersly –guitar

Locals know Mark Hamersly as the swingiest sideman in Southern Oregon. If you're a Jazz fan then you've probably already seen Mark on classical guitar, or the upright bass, always maintaining a high standard of performance in the Rogue Valley. You might find Mark at La Baguette Music Cafe, The Wild Goose, Grape Street Bar and Grill with the Southern Oregon Jazz Orchestra, or the Britt Performance Garden. In Santa Cruz and Monterey, he was a regular in the swing band "Wally's Swing World", working at five star hotels, and the San Jose and Monterey Jazz Festivals, performing with Wynton Marsalis, Dan and Matthew Brubeck, Smith Dobson, and Brazilian vocalist Claudia Villela. He will be playing his new 7 string guitar he recently got from Brazil. The program will have a strong Brazilian feeling.

Vanessa Finney – vocals

Vanessa Finney hosts Morning Edition and weekend classical music on JPR; she also sings in a jazz duet and produces "The Work of Art" for Southern Oregon PBS. She graduated from UCLA and worked in print and broadcast journalism for many years while living in California. Her music repertoire includes Jazz, Blues, and World Music -- especially songs with English translations of lyrics originally written in Portuguese or other Romance languages. She has extensive writing credits for radio, web, and print. Strengths in copy and audio editing, research, and interviewing.



Peter Anastos - trumpet



Teresa McCoy – drums



Ryan Johnson -

bass

Peter Anastos – trumpet

Peter Anastos is a trumpeter, composer, and arranger. He has many original compositions to his credit. In 2005 he formed his own group in the Bay Area, *Peter Anastos & Iter*, which features his original work and has since produced two albums. Over time he incorporated the influences of his Greek heritage into the music and added a bouzouki to the instrumentation which allowed the band to expand its experimental horizons beyond that of the hard bop originals. Peter has also written arrangements for big bands, including the big band at the Jazz Conservatory in Berkeley, CA. Peter has played with such notables as Karrin Allyson, Steve Erquiaga, and Frank Martin. He currently plays with SOJO, the Timberline Express Big Band, and his own small ensembles at La Baguette in Ashland. Peter and his wife, renowned flutist Angela Koregelos, moved to Ashland in 2018.

Teresa McCoy - drums

Theresa McCoy took her passion for music to Los Angeles, earning a Bachelor of Music, Performance degree at California State University, Northridge. On top of her formal training in classical percussion, she studied with masters of Cuban drumming Luis Conte and Jerry Steinholtz. She is an experienced kit drummer and hand percussionist. She has worked with such greats as Quincy Jones, Lalo Schiffrin, Donna Summer, Carol Channing, Ben Vereen, Pat Moran McCoy and Bernadette Peters, played in the Ojai Music Festival, Idyllwild Music Festival, and Britt Classical Festivals, as well as the Oregon Shakespeare Festival. Theresa currently performs with the Rogue Valley Symphony, the Britt Festival Orchestra, Salsa Brava, Sonido Alegre, the Wednesday Collective and the Opus 3 jazz trio.

Ryan Johnson - bass

Ryan Johnson is a musician based in Medford Oregon. Ryan specializes in both upright and electric bass. He loves to write and perform music that spans a variety of genres including funk, jazz, blues, hip hop, RnB, electronic, and alternative. He has been involved in several performances throughout the valley with local artists and bands, as well as theater companies. Ryan holds a Bachelors degree in music education and a Masters of Arts in teaching degree from Southern Oregon University.

Joshua Dargavell – trombone

Joshua teaches band, choir, and solo music at Hidden Valley High School in Grants Pass. He plays trombone in the Southern Oregon Jazz Orchestra.

BETTY BARSS artist

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Betty Barss in 1957 where State fourth and sixth District. Betty and have two



was born in Dallas, Texas. She moved with her family to California she attended public schools and later graduated from San Jose University with a Bachelors of Arts degree in Education. She taught grade including art education for 25 years with the Medford School and her husband, Don, have lived in the Rogue Valley since 1974 married children and four grandchildren.

Betty first transparent

began painting oils in 1970 and slowly made the transition into watercolors. She found the challenge and spontaneity to more accurately reflect the feelings she wished to convey. She has taken numerous watercolor classes and attend many workshops. She also tutored under the late Bruce Butte of Jacksonville for 20 years. Betty has been a member of the Watercolor Society of Oregon since 1991 and is a member of the Southern Oregon Society of Artist, The Artist's Workshop, Rogue Gallery and Art and Soul Gallery. Betty's versatility with a wide range of subjects has contributed to the popularity of her work. She has been recognized and awarded for her watercolor paintings. She currently has work showcased in handful of locations, ranging from galleries to fine restaurants as well as doing personal commissioned work upon request.

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