

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MEDFORD
Sunday, March 9, 2025
5:00 PM

JAZZ VESPERS Randy Scherer



& Friends



Artwork by Julie Bayless

PROGRAM

Opening Music	Randy Scherer & Friends
Welcome & Reading	Mike Hubbard
Music	Randy Scherer & Friends
Meditation	Mike Hubbard
Art Notes	Julie Bayless
Closing	Mike Hubbard
Music to Go Home By	Randy Scherer & Friends

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

Our Guest Musicians this Month are:

Randy Scherer – Trumpet

Randy Scherer is originally from Pennsylvania and moved to Southern Oregon in 2006 by way of Anchorage, Alaska, where he served in the United States Air Force Band. In Alaska he also performed with the Anchorage Symphony Orchestra, the Anchorage Opera, many local Jazz, Big Band, and Latin Band groups, and provided private lessons and clinics in local schools.

Randy attended Berklee College of Music and, during his time in Boston, he toured with the revival production of *Hair* and also with Carnival Cruise Lines during the summers of 1978 and 1979. In 1980 he joined Norwegian Cruise Lines – SS Norway, performing for such headline entertainers as Jack Jones, Vic Damone, Phyllis Diller, Frankie Valli, Don Rickles, and many others. Randy has performed with the Rogue Valley Symphony, the Rogue Valley Opera, for the Oregon Shakespeare Festival production of *She Loves Me*, numerous spotlight shows at Camelot Theater, and continues to play for local groups and provide Jazz clinics in local schools. He returned to ships in 2007 and has traveled the world as a contract musician for Celebrity, Azamara, Norwegian, and P&O Cruise Lines, performing with guest entertainers from around the world.

Daryl Fjeldheim - Saxophones

Daryl Fjeldheim has performed at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, OSF Green Show, Craterian Theatre, Oregon Cabaret Theatre, Rogue Music Theatre, Camelot Theatre, and with the Rogue Valley Symphony. He has performed in a variety of bands around the Rogue Valley and has been a private woodwinds teacher for many years.

Daryl is originally from NE Montana. His musical journey led to Mt. Hood Community College in Portland and then to Los Angeles, where he received a music degree from Cal State Northridge. Prior to coming to the Rogue Valley, he performed on several cruise ships and at Huis Ten Bosch Theme Park in Japan.

Brent Olstad - Piano

Brent Olstad graduated with an Organ Performance degree from Biola University but hasn't touched an organ in many years! He is an arranger and composer of sacred, jazz, and classical music (brentolstadmusic.com) and is a member of the Southern Oregon Jazz Orchestra and The High Society Orchestra. He stays busy playing gigs, logging in some studio recording time, and arranging and playing shows for theaters in southern Oregon. He is also an active member of Jacksonville Presbyterian Church where he plays piano on the worship team, volunteers in the Disabilities Ministry program, and serves as an Elder. He and his wife, Rachel, are blessed with three children and their passion is to equip churches to fully embrace and include families with disabilities.

Timothy Kelly - Bass

Timothy Kelly graduated from the Lawrence University Conservatory of Music. Tim pursued his musical interests through work with regional symphonies and with several ensembles in Southern Wisconsin. Music has enabled him to tour nationally and internationally with groups spanning folk, jazz, and musical theater. His recording and performance credits include Harmonious Wail, the Madison Symphony Orchestra, Evita National Tour, Piper Road Spring Band, the Dick Jurgens Orchestra, Charlie Byrd, John Medeski, Shanna Carlson, and the Sprocket Ensemble. Tim is excited to have the opportunity to perform with the fine musicians on today's program.

Theresa McCoy- drums

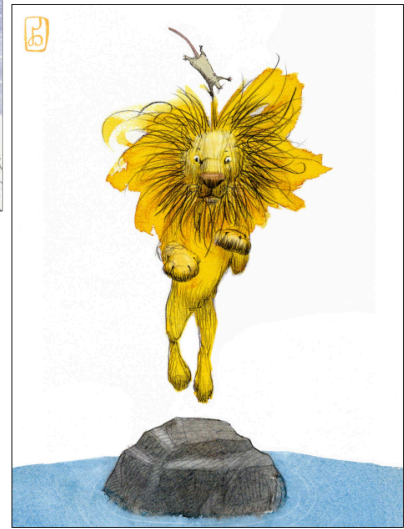
Theresa is a percussionist with experience in a variety of musical settings. She has been timpanist and principal percussionist with several orchestras in the Los Angeles area, has worked as a studio musician on movie soundtracks, and performed in a wide variety of genres from opera, musicals and ballet to rock, jazz and salsa, and is featured on many recordings. Though her formal training was in classical percussion, she is an experienced set drummer and hand percussionist, performing locally with Salsa Brava, the Martin Behnke Jazz Band, the Rogue Valley Symphony, the Rogue Opera, and the Britt Festival Orchestra.

Artist, *Julie Bayless*

Julie Bayless holds a BFA in Animation/Illustration and a BA in Creative Writing. She wrote, illustrated and stapled together her first book at the age of 8.

She is the author and illustrator of *ROAR!*, published by Running Press, and the illustrator of *Crawly School for Bugs*, written by David L. Harrison, and *Dog Songs*, by Ralph Wanderer. She is represented by Mary Cummings of Great River Literary, and is a member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators. Julie, her husband Doug, and their kinky-tailed cat Tunkins are very happy to live in Ashland, OR.

Artist Statement: For the past 15 years, I have been creating art primarily for picture books, almost exclusively for stories I've written myself. Most of my stories are humorous, so there's usually something a bit silly about my characters. Nevertheless, I strive to give them real emotions: wonder, unbridled joy, or the blues. My goal is to make you empathize with proud Mona, the pie-baking wildebeest; Julius the lion - by turns exuberant and terrified; and Wallace the rabbit, longing for spring and the first crop of carrots. I channel all of me into all of them. I hope you recognize something of yourself in them too.



Coming Up in April 2025:

JAZZ VESPERS
April, 13, 2025,
Dean Angermeier

Special Thanks To: Pastor Michial (Mike) Hubbard

Robin Blomquist - Coordinator of Musical Groups and Visual Artists

Guest Musical Artists:

Randy Scherer, Daryl Fjeldheim, Brent Olstad, Tim Kelly, Theresa McCoy

Greeters: Jane Blomquist, Ginni and Dudley Peterson

Publicity: Paulette Avery, Tam Moore, Elizabeth Mahan, Teresa Johnson

Sound and Lights: Tom McDermott

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