



The name says it all...

Just Jazz

May 2013

Hi Friends —

During the administration of **George W. Bush**, in order to dispute the highly plausible notion that he is a functional illiterate, the White House released his "summer reading list." It comprised a book about Lincoln and the evangelical movement (maybe), a biography of Roberto Clemente (well, Bush is a baseball guy, although #21's humanitarianism would have been lost on him), and a biography of J. Robert Oppenheimer. Did they really think anyone would believe that Bush, even if he had someone read the book to him, could have comprehended either Oppenheimer's science or politics?

So it was with amusement mixed with disgust that I watched, on April, 25, the dedication of the oxymoronic "Bush Presidential Library" in Dallas, [the only library where if your book is overdue, the patron who comes in after you must pay your fine](#). The other four living presidents — Carter, Bush Sr., Clinton, and Obama — were there to heap phony praise, the Democrats doing it through gritted teeth and frozen smiles, on history's worst president. But in one of the farce's few honest moments, Clinton "jokingly" called Bush's new house of lies "[the latest, grandest example of the eternal struggle of former presidents to rewrite history](#)" (and he should know about that).

And there is plenty of history to rewrite: [the stolen 2000 election, the pre- \(and post-\) 9/11 intelligence blunders, the unjustified and unjust Iraq War, torture, "mission accomplished," the Hurricane Katrina debacle, the failed attempt to privatize Social Security \(a lucky break, there\), the financial meltdown, the loss of respect for the US around the world](#). Hell, to rewrite all that Bush may need a *second* library!

"In the end, leaders are defined by the convictions that they hold," Bush told the fawning crowd that day. [Or in his case, by the convictions that he never held and never had.](#)

Stay cool and keep list'nin'
Bob

P.S.: The Bush Library opened to the public on May 1, the tenth anniversary of Bush's declaration of "mission accomplished" in Iraq.

Just Jazz is heard every Sunday from 10:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m. Eastern Time (US) over 91.9 WNTI-FM and streams live at [wnti.org](#). **Just Jazz Presents with Bob Bernotas** is heard every Saturday at 9:00 a.m. & 9:00 p.m., Tuesday at 11:00 p.m., and Wednesday at 3:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and 6:00 p.m. Eastern Time (US) on the Internet at [Pure Jazz Radio](#).



Just Jazz Artist of the Month
pianist **James Williams**

Just Jazz Presents... Features

- 5/5: Bebop Hour **[NEW!]**
- 5/12: Big Band Hour
- 5/19: Singers Hour
- 5/26: Trombone Hour

"Just Jazz Presents..." is heard Sundays, midnight-1:00 a.m. during Just Jazz @ [wnti.org](#)

Just Jazz Presents with Bob Bernotas

- 5/4, 7, & 8: Benny Powell
- 5/11, 14 & 15: Vocal Duos
- 5/18, 21 & 22: The Music of Harold Arlen
- 5/25, 28 & 29: The Music of Irving Berlin

Saturdays 9:00 a.m. & 9:00 p.m.
Tuesdays 11:00 p.m.
Wednesdays 3:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
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QUOTES OF THE MONTH

Jonathan Winters was the model of the guy who always questioned authority. And where he is now, God better be on his best behavior.

— Mort Sahl

Jonathan's improvs on *Mork & Mindy* were legendary. ... Sometimes I would join in, but I felt like a kazoo player sitting in with Coltrane.

— Robin Williams

DON'T MISS WNTI'S GREAT SUNDAY LINE-UP

10:00-11:00: On the Dance Floor: For the time being, I'm filling in for the show's regular hosts, Lulu & Gup, playing the big bands and the great singers from that Golden Age when good music was popular and popular music was good.

11:00-noon: The Sinatra Hour with **Bob Bernotas** (need I say more?) [\[heard on radio only\]](#)

noon-2:00: The Happy Foot Request Party: [The Golden Gup & Lulu](#) present swing, jump, jive, rhythm & blues, rock & roll, and pop from the '40s to the '60s.

2:00-4:00: Uncle Pete's Blues Party, hosted by [Peter Hoff](#) It's one swingin' six-hour party, **Sundays 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** Eastern Time (US), on 91.9 WNTI & [wnti.org!](#)

NEW & RECOMMENDED CDS

Michael Dease: Coming Home (D Clef): The next major force on the jazz trombone has arrived and he is Michael Dease. Joined here by a stellar cast — alto saxophonist Steve Wilson, pianist Renee Rosnes, bassist Christian McBride, drummer Ulysses Owens, Jr. — Dease builds on the success of his previous release, *Grace*, further securing his spot in the front rank of players (and writers) on that challenging and beautiful instrument called the trombone.

Maniacal 4: Carry On (Armored Records): Maniacal 4 is a talented trombone quartet — Alex Dubrov, Matt Jefferson, Nick Laufer, Carl Lundgren — whose hallmarks are versatility, wit, and bold originality. And they hardly can get any bolder or more original than they do on this recital of 1970s rock anthems by Kansas, Toto, Queen, and more, transformed by Lundgren's masterly arrangements, backed by a killing rhythm section, and played with their usual fire and fun.

Adriana Miki: Mulata de Arroz: Lisbon-based Brazilian singer Adriana Miki has an engaging voice which she uses in a most appealing way. Her repertoire is alternately rhythm-driven and sensuous with occasional surprises, notably her lovely duet, "Caracendo," with pianist Paulo Barros, and "Kutsu Ga Naru," a folk song sung in — yes — Japanese. Her fine vocals are further enhanced by sensitive solos and obligatos by saxophonist-clarinetist Desidério Lázaro.

Swingadelic: Toussaintville (Zoho): Swingadelic's last CD was a swinging tribute to a giant of straight-ahead modern jazz, Duke Pearson. Its latest CD is an eclectic tribute to a giant of contemporary music, Allen Toussaint. With memorable arrangements, strong solos, and soulful vocals, bassist-musical director Dave Post's resourceful band returns to its comfort zone of joyful blues and jazz-based funk, the combination that has made it a cross-genre favorite.

The release party for Swingadelic's Toussaintville CD is on Monday, May 13, 9:00-11:00 at Maxwell's, 1039 Washington Street, Hoboken, NJ; 201-798-0406. FREE!

UPCOMING AREA JAZZ EVENTS

Wed., May 8, 8:00: Lafayette College Jazz Ensemble
Selections from the libraries of Count Basie/Sammy Nestico, Stan Kenton, Weather Report, Louie Bellson, and Buddy Rich, plus new treatments of standards
FREE! Contact the box office for tickets: 610-330-5009
Williams Center for the Arts, Lafayette College
Quad Drive, Easton, PA

May 9-24: River Jazz: Highlights include **The Preservation Hall Jazz Band (5/9)**, solo piano by **Chick Corea (5/22)**, **The Music of Grover Washington, Jr. (5/24)**, and more!
ArtsQuest Center at SteelStacks
101 Founders Way, Bethlehem, PA; 610-332-1300

Sat, May 11: 8:30: Unit 1 CD release party
John Hart, guitar; Mark Egan, electric bass; Karl Latham, drums
\$15; The Historic Blairstown Theatre
30 Main Street, Blairstown, NJ; 908-349-1428

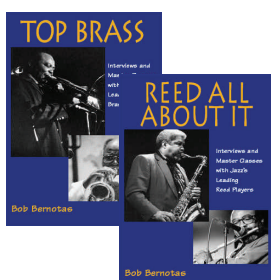
Sun., May 19, 7:00: Music in the Moonlight Jazz Series
"A Tribute to Philly Joe Jones": drummer **Greg Bufford Quintet** (James Giibbs III, trumpet; Willie Williams, tenor saxophone; Lou Rainone, piano; Belden Bullock, bass)
\$18 in advance / \$20 at the door
Luna Stage, 555 Valley Road, West Orange, NJ; 973-395-5551

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Pure Jazz Radio: a 24-7-365 celebration of jazz, featuring the "Founding Fathers," the "Keepers of the Flame," and everyone in between (including [Just Jazz Presents with Bob Bernotas](#)).

groovebone.org: All jazz trombone, all the time, produced and programmed by trombonist-bandleader [Dave Dickey](#).

Café Latino: Singer-songwriter [Laura Fernandez](#) hosts two hours of Latin music, Sat. 4:00-6:00 on Toronto's Jazz FM91.

Jazz Spotlight on Sinatra: Nancy Barell presents Sinatra's music through the decades, plus jazz instrumentalists and singers who recorded songs Sinatra performed, and other great standards.

wemu.org: Linda Yohn starts your day right with three and a half hours of jazz and blues, Mon.-Fri. 9:00-12:30 (Eastern Time).

The Stanhope House presents jazz regularly. Check its [Events Calendar](#) for schedule and details. 46 Main Street, Stanhope, NJ reservations: 973-347-7777

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