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This season will be our most moving and inspired yet. We are covering a broad and diverse range of artists and styles, from

quartet to big band, from R & B, to gospel to vocal standards to Euro and beyond. We have jazz with a French twist as well as jazz with a touch of Africa.

This upcoming season will be a smorgasbord of musical experiences with plenty of style and flavour. Come and enjoy this year's musical feast with us!

Steve Kirby, Artistic Director

Beverly Aronovitch, Producer

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2016-2017 Season Subscription Packages

QUINTET (5 concerts)

Subscriber: \$174

(One Subscription)

Supporter: \$352

(One Subscription + \$178 tax receipt)

Patron: \$702

(One Subscription + \$528 tax receipt)

Benefactor: \$1,745

(Two Subscriptions + \$1,397 tax receipt)

QUARTET (4 concerts)

Subscriber: \$157

(one subscription)

Supporter: \$312

(One subscription + \$155 tax receipt)

Patron: \$628

(One subscription + \$471 tax receipt)

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Celebrating Oscar & Bill
**THE ROBI BOTOS
QUARTET**

2016 Juno Award Winner for Best Jazz Album
2012 TD Grand Jazz Award Winner

Saturday, Sept. 24, 2016 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016 2:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Hungarian-born, Toronto-based Robi Botos has quickly risen to become one of Canada's hottest new jazz talents. Robi's outstanding performance in Montreux opening for his mentor Oscar Peterson launched his place as "a prodigious pianist who is about to become a national treasure" (Ross Porter, Jazz FM91). In 2012 Robi was commissioned to transcribe and record Bill Evans' BBC performance of *My Foolish Heart* for the film *Arbitrage*. Robi celebrates both of these great legends with his stellar quartet of Atlanta drummer Terreon Gully, Canadian-born New York saxophonist Seamus Blake and Winnipeg-born Toronto bassist Mike Downes. A tribute to Canada's finest!



Fabulously French
**THE CYRILLE AIMÉE
QUINTET**

Montreux Jazz Festival & Sarah Vaughan
International Vocal Competition Winner

Saturday, Oct 22, 2016 3:30 p.m. & 8:00 p.m.
Winnipeg Art Gallery

Cyrille's 2011 Izzy Asper Jazz performance with the Hot Club of Detroit was a big hit with audiences. Her career has since taken off with two recordings and many awards, including the recent 2015 *DownBeat* Critics' Poll Rising Star award. We're bringing her back, this time with her own band of top-notch, international musicians. The *Wall Street Journal* describes Aimée as "one of the most promising jazz singers of her generation... an astonishing creative singer, with a brilliant sound, fresh ideas, impeccable rhythm and an overall approach that honors tradition without being shackled to the past. When you see Cyrille Aimée perform, you instantly fall in love with her. (*Jazz Times*)



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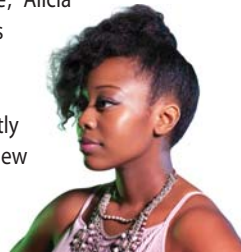
Rising Star Vocalist
**ALICIA OLATUJA
QUINTET**

*"Brooklyn gives birth to new musical star,
singer Alicia Olatuja."*

(The New York Daily News)

Saturday, Nov. 26, 2016 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 27, 2016 2:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Alicia Olatuja electrified a crowd of a million people at the 2013 U.S. Presidential Inauguration with her richly textured, show-stopping solo with the Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir. Since then she has emerged as one of the most promising vocal talents on the New York jazz scene. Olatuja's music mixes elements of classical, jazz, gospel, and pop. Praised by the *New York Times* as "a singer with a strong and luscious tone," Alicia Olatuja has been astounding audiences with her exquisite vocals, artistic versatility and captivating demeanor. With a growing reputation and a recently released solo album, this outstanding new talent is on the rise. We are thrilled to catch her on her way up!



All performances in the Berney Theatre, Asper Jewish Community Campus
123 Doncaster Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba,
except October 22, 2016 & April 15, 2017 at the Winnipeg Art Gallery

Live at Smalls
**THE SPIKE WILNER
QUINTET**

Saturday, Mar. 18, 2017 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, Mar. 19, 2017 2:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Jazz pianist Spike Wilner plays an outsized role in the West Village jazz scene as proprietor of Smalls, the New York jazz club that has been the incubator for the who's who of jazz in New York since the early nineties. Wilner has led or performed with numerous ensembles at countless jazz clubs in New York and has toured with The Artie Shaw Big Band and Maynard Ferguson. The *New York Times* describes Wilner's playing as "... surging and rhythmically powerful." Along with New York veterans Joe Magnarrelli on trumpet and Joel Frahm on tenor sax, Wilner's band captures the hard-driving groove and the swing spirit of the New York scene. No need to travel ...we're bringing New York to you!



In The Spirit of Ray
A TRIBUTE TO RAY CHARLES

Saturday, Apr 15, 2017 3:30 p.m. & 8:00 p.m.
Winnipeg Art Gallery

featuring Ray Charles' band alumni
New York Vocalist/Pianist Billy Osborne
Alto Saxophonist Craig Bailey
With Steve Kirby's Big Dig! Band

They call him the "genius" and the "father of soul." Ray Charles was a legend who combined genres as diverse as jazz, country, rhythm and blues and gospel. In a tribute to the genius of Ray Charles, Steve Kirby leads a 17 piece big band fronted by Cincinnati's Craig Bailey, Ray's longstanding lead alto saxophonist (1988-2004) and New York pianist/vocalist Billy Osborne, Ray's 15-year songwriter and collaborator in a program of swinging arrangements of Charles' favourite hits. A not to be missed evening of pure joy!

