

VOLUNTEER...

The Mobile Arts Council received 19 applications from its membership base of arts organizations, crafters, graphic designers, photographers, musicians, theaters, visual artists, and videographers for its 2017 Arts Grants. A panel of professional artists and arts educators selected four recipients for the awards. Mystic Order of the Jazz Obsessed was chosen to receive a \$1000 grant.

We will use the grant to continue our commitment to promote jazz education for young people. This award will fund a collaborative project with the Mobile Public Library's 2017 *Build a Better World* Summer Library Program. Over 500 children, ages 6-13, are expected to attend

the summer program finale on Saturday, July 29th, 10am-1pm at the Ben May Main Library.

JazZooLA: Build a Better World with Jazz, includes a 45-minute Excelsior Band concert, followed by a "jazz instrument zoo" educational component and drawings for gift cards for books for program participants.



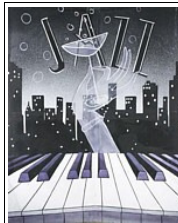
We'll need 10-20 MOJO members to volunteer to make *JazZooLA: Build a Better World with Jazz* a memorable experience for the kids. Tasks include hosts (ushers/greeters), "zookeepers" (group management), ticket takers (participant entries), runners, photographers and other small responsibilities. Shift choices: 9-11am | 10am-12pm | 11am-2pm. Or you can be brave and volunteer for the entire event!

Volunteers will be recognized on our website, Facebook page and at the July Jazz Jambalaya. Plus, you'll get an entry for "thanks-for-your-service" prize at the end of the event.

Lock in your slot! Stop by the front table tonight and sign up, complete the form on the MOJO website (mojojazz.org) or email webmaster@mojojazz.org. Volunteer roles will be filled on a 'first come, first choice' basis.

DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY, JULY 19TH

...get your MOJO workin'!



Sunday, 7.2.17, 7pm **Cedric Brooks** VFW Post 193, 2708 N. 12th Ave., Pensacola, FL

Monday, 6:30pm (1st) *Jazz Pensacola Jazz Jam* Horizen Restaurant, 3103 E. Strong St., Pensacola, FL \$10-\$12

Tuesday, 6:30-9:30pm *Tuesday Nite Jazz* **Gino Rosaria & Friends** Lili Marlene's, Seville Quarter, 140 E. Government St., Pensacola, FL

Thursday, 7-10pm *Thirsty Thursday Jazz Jam Session* Kazoola, 558 Dauphin St., Mobile, AL

Friday, 8.4..17, 6pm **Marcus Johnson Summer Jazz Camp Recital** History Museum of Mobile, S. Royal St., Mobile, AL Free gcejazzfest.com

Friday, 12-2pm|Saturday, 10am-12pm **Joe Occhipinti** The Drowsy Poet, 86 Brent Lane, Pensacola, FL

Friday-Saturday, 7-11pm **Al Martin** Doc's Courtyard Café, 5198 Willing St., Milton, FL

Saturday, 8.12.17, 5pm *Gulf Coast Ethnic & Heritage Jazz Festival "Jazz on the River"* **The Excelsior Band, Rebecca Barry, Mike Pelleria & Russell Malone** Mobile Convention Center, Water St., Mobile, AL \$10 gcejazzfest.com



Saturday, 9.2.17, 3:30pm *2017 Gulf Coast Summer Fest/Jazz Edition* **Boney James, Mindi Abair, Cindy Bradley, Nick Colionne & Althea Rene** Festival Grounds, Pensacola Maritime Park, Pensacola, FL \$65 gulfcoastsummerfestjazzedition.com

Saturday, 10.7.17, 10am *Camellia City Smooth Jazz Festival* Slidell, LA Camcityjazzfest.com

Dear Muse

Q: My birthday is coming up and I'd like to celebrate with a large group of friends at the next Jambalaya. Can I reserve tables?

A: Yes, if you let me know in advance. Members with 10 or more guests can reserve seating for their group. A couple of weeks before the JJ, send an email to *Dear Muse* with all the details.

Want to decorate? DIY! Cake? Yum! Want "The Birthday Song"? No prob!

Whether it's a birthday party, special event or a "girl's (or guy's) night out", you don't have to wait for a Jazz Jambalaya to celebrate. You can rent the Gulf City Lodge for any special occasion.

Contact Bill Frazier for availability, rates and more information. 251.656.7837

Have a question for Dear Muse? Email webmaster@mojojazz.org