

## *june birthdays...*

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## *jazz jambalaya...*

4<sup>th</sup> Monday . 6:30pm

22 July

Summer Jam

Yo Jonesy & The Crowned Jewelz

22 August

TBA

### **ADMISSION**

\$10 Members

\$15 Guests

\$12 Students | Military w/ID

\$1 Door Prize Tickets

16 September

18<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

24 October

25 November

17 December

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January 1 – December 31 | \$3 PayPal fee

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Cammie's Old Dutch Ice Cream . 2511 Old Shell Road . Mobile, AL  
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# JAZZ JAMBALAYA

Monday . 24 June 2019

Central ArtSanctuary

Bellingrath Hall

Central Presbyterian Church



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## musings....

When moving into a new home, deciding where to place things is a challenge. Your goal, of course, is to find the "right spots" for comfort, flow and adaptation of space. In April when MOJO relocated Jazz Jambalaya to the Central ArtSanctuary, we knew that it would take a while to find the "feng shui" of our new venue.

To move forward meant taking on new responsibilities and expenses we hadn't had to deal with before - required event insurance, promoting new location, buying food and service supplies, where to serve the food, how much wine, accept debit/credit cards, indoor and outdoor signage, hire and pay for security, server and bartender, clean up fee. There's so much more...Board Meeting minutes available upon request.

Our April and May JJs were well attended, but presented their own sets of challenges. Following both shows, we sent an internal survey to about 100 MOJO members to get the attendees' opinions. The collected info would help improve things as we adjusted to the new digs. Response rates were 29% and 26.3% respectively. Two month rating averages, some of your comments and a couple things we and can't do:

### THE VENUE: Sixty eight percent "excellent"; 29% "very good"

"...this is an excellent venue, good locations, parking, lighting in the parking lot area, security. I hope this will continue to be the venue."

### THE FOOD: 34% "excellent"; 28% "very good"

"It's a very fine jambalaya and other excellent food that is always a bit of a surprise. Great desserts."

### THE MUSIC: Seventy five percent "excellent"; 18% "very good"

- "Enjoyed the new location. Speaker sound could be better. Recognition program was excellent."
- "Monday night with the Roman Street Band was outstanding. Good music."

### THE FOOD & BEVERAGE SERVICE: 33% average (May only)

You spoke often (loudly) about the wait in line, we listened. Here's the new plan: To speed things up, beginning this month food lines on both sides of table, pot luck dishes and desserts in back of Bellingrath Hall. Ideally, dinner service should start no later than 6:45pm. After band boxes are prepared and the kitchen crew says, "We're ready", we'll eat.

Larger beverage cups. BYOB is not permitted by our insurer. Beer? Fuggeddaboutit - too many choices! Keep the wines flowing - give money. You're in a church...don't be surprised if we pass collection plates!

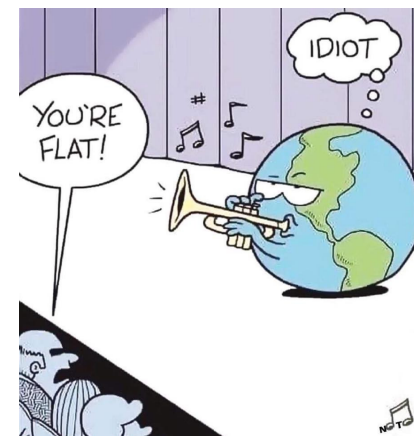
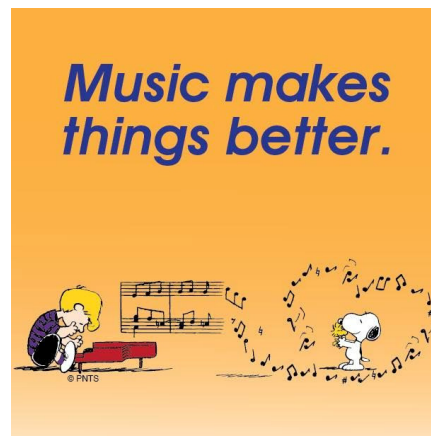
### COMMENTS

- "Good first effort in new location. Great hall! Bring on the next Jazz Jambalaya - I'm psyched!
- "Looking forward to next one. Would be happy to pay more."

This is your house. Your Board members are only its caretakers. We get better together. Keep your MOJO workin' by bringing new friends along with a dish to share, helping with set-up or in the kitchen, tipping the service staff, responding to surveys, volunteering to sell door prize tickets or develop a Jazz Jambalaya, donating a prize to give away or money for a special project...it's your house, too.

Your move. What do you want to do?

## time out...



## ...jazz on the coast

Friday, 6.28.19, 7:30-11:30pm *The One Man Show!* **Charles "CC" Carter** 10206 Seymour Ave, D'Iberville, MS \$15-\$20

Saturday, 6.29.19, 4-8pm *Jazz on the River* **Wayman Henry Jazz Band, The Jazz Studio, Theodore Arthur, Jr.** 3628 Lipscomb Landing, Mobile, AL \$20-\$25 251.447.9470 (AAMU-Greater Mobile Alumni Chapter benefit)

Sunday, 6.30.19, 11am-2pm *Jazz Brunch* **Kathy Lyon & Jim Armstrong** Seville Quarter, 140 E. Government St., Pensacola, FL

Sunday, 7.7.19, 7pm *Live Recording CD Release* **Gino Rosaria** Seville Quarter, 130 E. Government St., Pensacola, FL \$25-\$40 646.397.4736

Friday, 7.12.19, 6pm *Live Jazz @ Art Walk* 263 Dauphin St., Mobile, AL

Sunday, 7.14.19, 6pm **Marcus Anderson** It's Personal By Sheila, 2610 W. Cervantes Street Pensacola, FL \$40 850.607.2520

Monday -Saturday, 7.22-8.2.19 *Gulf Coast Ethnic & Heritage Jazz Festival* **Marcus Johnson Summer Jazz Camp** **Hosea London** (Chief Clinician) & **Benny Golson** (Artist-in-Residence) History Museum of Mobile, 111 Royal St., Mobile, AL \$75 (pre-registration required) 251.478.4027 (Awards Program, 8.2.19. 10:30am, open to public)

Friday, 8.2.19, 7pm *GCE&HJF* **E. B. Coleman Orchestra, Karmilla Ali, Marcus Johnson Summer Jazz Camp Orchestra** Laidlaw Performing Arts Center, USA Main Campus, Mobile, AL \$15-\$25

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