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Magical Musical Moments

Filled with great musicians and special moments, the fifth annual Healdsburg Jazz Festival ran from an upbeat free Sunday concert in the lovely downtown Plaza to a unforgettable **ABBEY LINCOLN** performance at Rodney Strong Vineyards a full week later. Over 4,000 people enjoyed the finest in real jazz in an atmosphere of conviviality and camaraderie. While other jazz festivals may draw larger numbers, it is the intimacy and high quality of the week-long event that makes this festival magical.

"The Healdsburg Jazz Festival is the most fun I've had in a long time!" enthused sax master **JOE LOVANO**, headliner at the Saturday night show June 7 at the Raven Theater. "It's one of the nicest festivals anywhere in the world."

His partner, vocalist **JUDI SILVANO**, agreed. "The result was magical! It has a wonderful small-town feeling, with an international artist roster, and the audience is in for a good time at every moment."

Throughout the week, Festival musicians played under clear skies, during warm nights and in audience-friendly venues from small clubs to grassy amphitheaters, delivering one unforgettable concert after another. Among the special moments were surprise appearances by vibes master **BOBBY HUTCHERSON** and guitar prodigy **JULIAN LAGE** at the Lovano-Silvano concert; drummer **BILLY HART** playing with his son **LORCA HART** onstage for the first time ever, on parallel drum sets at Rodney Strong; and Joe Lovano joining jazz diva Abbey Lincoln onstage later that same afternoon for two show-stopping tunes. Other musical synergies and unexpected pleasures throughout the week kept festival-goers moving to a syncopated beat nearly every day and night.



A special moment at the Festival – Joe Lovano sits in with Abbey Lincoln at Rodney Strong.



Bobby Hutcherson and Julian Lage were surprise guests during Joe Lovano's set at the Raven.

It all climaxed on Sunday afternoon, June 8, with the first-ever double bill of groups led by **JAMES NEWTON** and Abbey Lincoln. Spontaneously baptized the "Heart and Soul" concert by the Festival's Artistic Director Jessica Felix, the finale at Rodney Strong Vineyards proved to be just that. James Newton delivered a "heartfelt" set of flute virtuosity and rhythmic diversity, his deep musical knowledge and brilliance illuminating every number for the 900-plus who enjoyed the festival atmosphere.

"Souls" were definitely touched when Abbey Lincoln took the stage. The sophisticated songstress capped off an amazing week of jazz with a memorable set of standards and her own tunes, cajoling and teasing the crowd

into her personal world of song. Abbey, whose recording career dates back to the 1950s with drummer Max Roach, brought us all up to date with a set that demonstrated why she is the jazz diva of our time.

After the Sunday concert, many of the committee volunteers who helped over the year with everything from ticket sales to artist hospitality were invited to rub shoulders with the musicians at a special post-event party. While casual combos of jazz headliners jammed, others just hung out and enjoyed the friendly ambiance of Healdsburg and our unique jazz festival. 🎷

A “Gala Affair” Worthy of the Name

What could be better than good food, great music and a spectacular summer night? Knowing your enjoyment is contributing to the jazz education of Sonoma County youth, of course!

That's the agreeable circumstance some 200 guests at Chateau Souverain experienced on Thursday, June 5, at the “Jazz at the Chateau: A Gala Affair” benefiting the Healdsburg Jazz Festival's influential Jazz Education Program. Seats for the benefit were in high demand and sold out early. The meal, the music, the cause – and the company – were well worth the cost.

The evening's events included the auctioning of six private dinners by some of the area's finest chefs, which earned \$15,000, and a silent wine auction that drew \$3,000 more. Added to the ticket sales for the sold-out gala, schoolkids in the local Healdsburg-Geyserville area will be enriched by some \$25,000 worth of jazz education in the coming year.

As the stars came out and the early summer day cooled, this inspired core of area music aficionados were treated to a memorable concert, as veterans **BILLY HART** and **RAY DRUMMOND** drove young guitarist **JULIAN LAGE** on an exploration of the possibilities of jazz tomorrow.

Special thanks go to Pat Carrubba and Bieke Burwell, co-chairs of the gala event, their hard-working committee, and our hosts at Chateau Souverain, as well to the attendees who made this year's gala the success that it was. 🍷



Billy Hart plays for students at St. John's Elementary during this year's Jazz Festival education events, along with bandmates Ray Drummond and Julian Lage.

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July 20 **Hemispheres**

Sheldon Brown – woodwinds
Bill Douglass – double bass,
Chinese bamboo flutes
Ian Dogole – global percussion
Paul McCandless – woodwinds

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and **Optima Winery**

Blending Middle Eastern, Asian and South American instruments with more traditional jazz instrumentation, Hemispheres merges myriad elements of jazz with colors and flavors from around the globe.



Aug 24 **Andy McKee // One World**

Andy McKee – bass
Mike Lee – saxophone
Neal Kirkwood – piano
Akira Tana – drums

Sponsored by **La Crema**

One World is making waves performing a masterful blend of jazz and world music themes. “Both as a dynamic composer and fearless, resourceful arranger... McKee consistently turns to the unexpected, keeping the listener happily surprised.” *Zan Stewart, Downbeat*



Sept 21 **Gina Breedlove Quartet** featuring **Marc Carey**

Gina Breedlove – vocals
Marc Carey – piano
David Ewell – bass
Sameer Gupta – drums

A provocative lyricist with a hauntingly beautiful voice, singer-songwriter Gina Breedlove lives up to her name, spreading her word through a stirring blend of jazz, folk, and soul that she aptly calls *folksoul*.

Sound by **In the Pocket Productions**

A Message from Jessica

First off, I would like to thank all of you “lucky ones” who participated in the Festival, either as a volunteer, a sponsor or supporter, or just a jazz fan. It was a very special festival, and the loving feeling between musicians and fans reminded me of the good old days!

While the energy level from this year’s Healdsburg Jazz Festival is still high, and we are still feeling the afterglow of the great music, I would like to encourage you to become a Festival member. This is a good way you can support our ongoing, year-round activities, which include the monthly Sunday Series at the Hotel Healdsburg, our Jazz Education Program for area school children, and of course the upcoming sixth annual Festival. I can’t emphasize enough how crucial your support is for our continuing success, so please sign up now to help us get started early in building next year’s Festival, and begin reaping your year-round benefits as a Healdsburg Jazz Festival member.

This year was like a “love-in” – let’s keep the feeling going!

Jessica Felix, Artistic Director

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- A second free jazz CD

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- Personal introductions to musicians

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Jessica Felix : Artistic Director

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- Event Coordination
- Hospitality
- Stage Production
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- Education
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- Membership

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