

Good Vibes: The latest from Joe Baione and the jazz world July 2023

Hey there, jazz enthusiasts!

Welcome back to another edition of Good Vibes, where we dive into the exciting world of jazz. Get ready to tap your feet and swing to the rhythm as we bring you the latest updates. Let's jump right in!

Upcoming Gigs:

Friday, July 7th from 6:30-8pm - I'll be taking the stage at the Killens Pond Summer Concert Series. Joining me will be the incredibly talented Tony Ventura on guitar, Tom Baione on bass, and Gordon Engelgau on drums. Get ready for an unforgettable evening of soulful melodies and infectious rhythms. The Killens Pond Summer Concert Series is known for its fantastic atmosphere and breathtaking surroundings. So, bring your lawn chairs, pack a picnic, and get ready to soak up the sweet sounds of jazz under the open sky. Trust me, you don't want to miss this one-of-a-kind experience.

Saturday, July 8, 4:30-7:30pm - Join us at Harvest Ridge Winery for an unforgettable evening of jazz. I'll be on vibes, accompanied by the incredible Joe Accisano on guitar, Tom Baione on bass, and the masterful Mike McShane on drums. Get ready for an evening of toe-tapping grooves and smooth melodies in a beautiful setting. So gather your friends and plan on an evening at the vineyard enjoying some of their delicious wines and ciders and a satisfying meal from the Field of Dreams food truck.

Sunday, July 9, 11am-2pm - Catch us at The Rotunda in Baltimore for Second Sundays Jazz on the Plaza. I'll be on vibes, joined by the talented Tim Green on alto saxophone, the sensational Dan Kostelnik on organ, and the rhythmic Quincy Phillips on drums. Start your day with some captivating jazz that will leave you feeling uplifted and inspired. Enjoy some of their many eclectic shops and hip restaurants as you stroll down the Avenue.

Sunday, July 9, 6-8pm - Join us at the Annapolis City Dock and Harbor for an enchanting evening by the water as part of their 2023 Summer Concert Series. I'll be on vibes, accompanied by the remarkable Tim Green on alto saxophone, the versatile Dan Kostelnik on organ, and the dynamic Quincy Phillips on drums. Bring your friends, family, and a folding chair or blanket and get ready to be swept away by the captivating melodies under the starry sky.

This Month in Jazz History:

Let's take a moment to celebrate the jazz legends who have shaped the genre. In July, we honor the following birthdays in jazz history:

- July 1, 1935, Drummer Rashied Ali born in Philadelphia, PA
- July 2, 1930, Pianist Ahmad Jamal born in Pittsburgh, PA
- July 3, 1926, Trumpeter Johnny Coles born in Trenton, NJ
- July 7, 1930, Tenor saxophonist Hank Mobley born in Eastman, GA

- July 16, 1925, Vibraphonist Cal Tjader born in St. Louis, MO
- July 26, 1924, Drummer/composer/bandleader Louie Bellson born in Rock Falls, IL. I had the great pleasure of meeting Louie Bellson when I performed at the Temecula Valley Jazz Festival in 2007. He was so kind and encouraged me with accolades about my performance. It's a memory I will keep forever and I'm sharing it with you below.

Of course, we can't talk about jazz birthdays in July without mentioning the great Louis Armstrong who claimed July 4, 1900 as his day of birth in New Orleans, LA. It was about two decades after his death in 1971 that records were discovered listing his actual birthday as August 4, 1901! To learn more about these influential figures and their contributions to jazz, be sure to check out the comprehensive list at <https://americanhistory.si.edu/smithsonian-jazz/education/today-jazz-history#jul>.



Joe Baione meets Louie Bellson

As always, stay tuned to my [calendar](#) for more upcoming gigs, events, and jazz adventures. While you're there, check out some of the upgrades to the site. I'm grateful for your continued support, and I can't wait to share more unforgettable musical moments with you.

Keep grooving to the rhythm of jazz and spreading those good vibes!

Best,
Joe Baione

