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### THE HOT CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO

The Quintet Of The Hot Club Of San Francisco will be appearing at the Zoo Bar on Friday October 6 and Saturday October 7. Their "gypsy jazz", in the true tradition of Django Reinhardt, will thrill your soul. Paul Mehling is the leader and the lead guitar player...and is also a fine vocalist. He began playing guitar at the age of 6, and has transcribed Django solos note for note. The style has become Paul's. The Hot Club will be bringing a special guest to Lincoln. Her name is Barbara Dane. She has a history all her own. She was heavily influenced by Pete Seeger. Barbara started singing the blues in the middle fifties. Pops Foster once told her "You ought to go ahead and sing those blues, nobody's doing them any better." She has performed with Louis Armstrong, Jimmy Rushing, Jack Teagarden, Turk Murphy, and Art Hodes...just to name a few. Staying with a fine acoustic sound, The Berman Music Foundation is pleased to announce that Lincoln's own Lightning Bugs will be the opening act for The Hot Club and Barbara Dane. The Lightnig Bugs will be performing the timeless music of The Mills Brothers, and they will "jive your hive". Put this show on your calendar today, as Butch always says, "It will be a gasser!" The Zoo Bar is located at 136 N. 14 St. Admission is \$10, and I might add that this is a bargain. The show is a benefit for KZUM...Lincoln's Community Radio Station...and your blues and jazz connection.

### ABOUT THE BERMAN MUSIC FOUNDATION

The Berman Music Foundation is a nonprofit organization dedicated to nurturing and helping to build a friendly jazz scene in Lincoln, Ne. Butch Berman is president of the organization. Consultants are Larry Boehmer, Nancy Marshall, Andrew Rowan, Wade Wright, and Susan Berlowitz. We will promote and protect unique forms of jazz, such as the "gypsy jazz" that The Hot Club Of San Francisco performs. We are formed and labeled as a museum. Visit "The Women Of Blues, Boogie, And Jazz" at 719 P Street Studio G, in The Burkholder Project in the "historic" Haymarket. For information, please phone 476-3112. The Berman Music Foundation will give two \$300 scholarships in May 1995. The scholarships will be presented to a senior boy and to a senior girl graduating from the Lincoln Public Schools. The scholarships will be given so that jazz studies can be pursued. We are sincerely dedicated to education and concert presentation. We will do everything we can to support the local jazz scene. Gifts to The Foundation are tax deductible. I want to thank everyone who is getting up and out to support the local jazz and blues scene, and a big thank you to everyone who attended the Karrin Allyson Show in March and also The New York Show in August. Both shows were successful. Also, we want to thank Larry Boehmer for the use of The Zoo Bar.

## WHAT IS A JAZZ JAM?

Jazz jams have been in existence since the birth of jazz in 1895, when Buddy Bolden started blowing his trumpet. A jazz jam is a place for musicians to gather and to work the music out, and to sharpen their chops...where young and old can meet...the experienced, and the inexperienced. A jazz jam is a learning and teaching ground. Norman Granz was responsible for arranging the first jam sessions that required an admission charge.

These jam sessions took place at the Trouville Club every Sunday at 4:00 P.M. The Trouville Club was in L.A., California. In 1942, Norman Granz was a film editor for MGM. Of course, he went on to produce the Jazz At The Philharmonic Concerts and Verve Records.

The Berman Music Foundation sponsors a jazz jam every Wednesday night at Huey's. Huey's is located at 245 N. 13... in the lower level, and 1/2 block east of The Lied Center. Bring your instruments and your voices, and join in the fun. The jazz jams are led by Nancy Marshall and Butch Berman. We have been very pleased at the turn out. There have truly been some great moments. If any teachers would like to bring their students down to sit in, you are more than welcome. If you haven't checked it out, it's time. The place is Huey's every Wednesday night.

Huey's also brings you the sounds of the big band. Every Monday night, you'll find David Sharp leading Lincoln's finest musicians.

You can find a variety of trios and quartets at Huey's on Friday nights. In October:

October 6...The Trillions...that's John Carlini and Andrew Vogt...it'll be fun to find out who their new drummer is. We'll all miss Kyle, he moved to Chicago to go to school.

October 13...The Hobnobs...Butch Berman, Bill Wimmer, Andy Hall, Jason Varga, and Susan Berlowitz

October 20 & 27...TBA

The Foundation would like to thank Huey's for supporting local and live jazz.

## DID YOU KNOW THAT...

The Oven offers a regular Sunday night jazz schedule? The Oven is located at 201 N. 8 St. in the Haymarket. In October you can look forward to...

Oct. 1...Nancy Marshall & Steve Hanson

Oct. 8...Andy Hall & Dave Sharp

Oct. 15...Dave Novok & Dennis Taylor

Oct. 22...John Carlini & Peter Bouffard

Oct. 29...Nancy Marshall & Steve

Hanson...and fine food. Call 475-6118 if you need more information.

## ARE YOU READY FOR MORE JAZZ...

The Five Reasons is the place. The Five Reasons is located on the second floor of the Cornhusker Hotel, which is located at 333 S. 13 St. The Music begins at 7:00 every Friday evening. Tom Larson & Jim Cidlik lead trios in the lounge on alternating Fridays.

Jim Cidlik plays solo piano every Saturday evening. For more information call The Cornhusker Hotel...474-7474.

DON'T FORGET THE ZOO BAR...Larry Boehmer always has a fine blues schedule lined up. Once in a while he'll throw in a little jazz. Jay Mc Shann and Claude Williams have performed there several times together over the years. And of course, Claude still performs at the Zoo on a regular basis. The Berman Music Foundation is proud to bring The Hot Club Of San Francisco and Barbara Dane to The Zoo on Fri. Oct. 6 & Sat. Oct. 7. Lincoln's own Lightning Bugs will open the show. Stop in The Zoo and pick up your calendar today. Don't miss Duke Robillard on Wed., Oct. 11. Also, check out FAC...that's every Fri. afternoon from 5:00 P.M.-7:00 P.M. Live music for a buck... you won't get a better deal anywhere. The Zoo Bar is located at 136 N. 14. If you want more information, call 435-8754. I personally, have always felt lucky that The Zoo Bar is a part of the Lincoln community.

Julio's plans to schedule live jazz once a month...call 421-8400 for information.

**THE NEBRASKA JAZZ ORCHESTRA...**  
began it's season on Monday September 18 in Omaha, and then on Tuesday September 19 at The Ramada Hotel, located at 141 N. 9 St. in Lincoln. This year marks the 20th Anniversary of NJO...and this season will feature the best of Nebraska. Look forward to a reunion concert on Sunday, June 23 at Pinewood Bowl. On the 19th of September, the orchestra featured the swinging music of Duke Ellington, in a fine and an exciting performance. Other performances will take place...for information and tickets call 477-8222. Happy 20th Birthday NJO!

**LOVE LIBRARY ...**is the home of a national traveling exhibit, entitled "Beyond Category: The Musical Genius Of Duke Ellington." The exhibit opened on September 21, and can be seen through November 2, 1995. The exhibit traces the life of one of America's greatest composers...Duke Ellington. The exhibit is located on the second floor of Love Library, at the University of Nebraska -Lincoln. The exhibit is free, and the public is welcome.

Nebraska Public Radio has declared Duke Ellington to be "The Artist of the Month". Nebraska Public Radio is located at 90.9 on you FM dial.

Oct. 10, at 7:30 P.M., Professor David Sharp, of the UNL School of Music, will give a lecture at Westbrook Music Building in room 119. The lecture is titled "The Music of Duke Ellington", and is free and open to the public.

"The Music of Duke Ellington and Charles Mingus" will be the featured music of a concert on Fri., Oct. 13, at Kimball Recital Hall. The concert will take place at 8:00 P.M., and will be conducted by David Sharp. Again, this event is free and open to the public.

Professor Venita Kelly, of the UNL Department of Communications, will give a lecture entitled "Duke Ellington and the Harlem Renaissance". The lecture will take place at the Love Library Auditorium on Fri., Oct. 27, at 7:30 P.M. The lecture is free and open to the public. Take advantage of these free events, and learn more about Duke.

**SHOE'S BAR AND GRILL...**located in the Haymarket, will not be having music outside again until spring of 1996. However, they do plan on having some jazz inside during the winter. You can call 476-9562 for information.

**DUGGAN'S PUB...**has an open blues stage on Mon. nights. The open stage is led by "The Retreads", and specifically the drummer, Dan Caulkins. You can find Jim Cidlik down at Duggan's on most Monday s. Wednesday nights you can hear the blues with "New News". "New News" includes the Lincoln musicians Jim Cidlik, Jeff Travis, Dave Waggoner, and Dan Caulkins. For blues, try Duggan's Pub. Duggan's Pub is located at 440 S 11 St. If you need more information, call 477-3513.

#### FACTS ABOUT A MARVELOUS LINCOLN LADY...

Nancy Marshall was the first jazz piano player to play at Mc Guffy's. How many of you remember Mc Guffy's?... If anyone has pictures of any jazz players at Mc Guffy's, I would love to see them. Maybe we could do a feature story about Mc Guffy's, if people are interested.

Nancy Marshall teaches jazz vocals and jazz piano in a studio located in The Burkholder Project, which is located in the "historic" Haymarket. For information, call 474-4080.

Nancy Marshall was one of the producers of, and one of the performers in the "Women, Fire, & Dangerous Things" series. If you didn't see the production series, you missed something very special. The series was highly acclaimed, and a product of two Lincoln women...the other being Nancy Childs. A book is available from one in the series ... "Waves...Women With Water". The stories in the book will touch your heart and soul. I went to two of the productions, and I was emotionally moved from one story to the next...one moment in tears...the next in hearty laughter. Stories by women, about women, and for women.

Nancy Marshall is a gem.

If you are available for gigs, and would like your name and phone number listed in the newsletter, please call me with the information. If you would like to be added to our mailing list, or if know somebody who would be interested, also call. We are interested in your comments and suggestions. Thanks for supporting live jazz. With your help, jazz will continue to thrive in Lincoln.

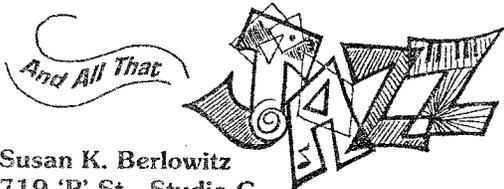
This newsletter...AND ALL THAT JAZZ, is a product of the Berman Music Foundation, with Butch Berman as President. I tried to include as much information as possible. If you notice misspellings, or details that might not be correct, you can call me at my office...476-3112. Each month The Foundation will publish a newsletter, with as much jazz information as possible. Please help me keep informed. If anyone would like to contribute an article, please contact me. In the future, we would like to start including performance and CD reviews. ...AND ALL THAT JAZZ is printed by "THE PRINTER". THE PRINTER is located at 5612 South 48 Street in Lincoln, Ne.



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