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COMING IN 2015

- * New schedule for jam sets and the featured bands.
- * Adding another featured band to take the place of the Annual Showcase.
- * Don't forget to renew your membership for next year.



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Presidents' Message

Happy Holidays, jazz fans! The **New Orleans Jazz Club of Northern California** is finishing its 49th year with a bang and starting the 50th with some changes.

First, we're wrapping up 2014 with **Scott Anthony's Golden Gate Rhythm Machine**, as solid and veteran a group of pros as there are in all of traditional jazz. And yet, they come into every set fresh, ready to entertain and amaze. It's especially important that you start showing up at 1 p.m. on Dec. 21 because of the new schedule. (More on that in a minute.)

We have some big changes coming in 2015, most of which were dictated by the necessity of keeping the club healthy and active, and some of which is a response to the will of the membership.

First, starting at the January meeting, we are moving from three jam sets to two, eliminating the first jam set and slightly extending the remaining jam sets and featured band sets. In recent years, the participation by other musicians has dropped, leaving the club to cobble together jam sets that aren't always up to standards. Your input matters and, in this case, resulted in changes.

Also, for the first time in at least three decades, the club will not host an **Annual Showcase of Bands** in February. What was once the club's big event and fundraiser – with as many as a dozen bands playing during the day – has been increasingly difficult to coordinate. This year, not enough of the bands we have on the schedule were available to play for the Showcase.

Keep in mind: If you arrived casually late before because of the jam set, you need to show up at 1 p.m. now or you're going to miss some of the featured band's set.



We want to extend a hearty thanks to recent featured bands that have continued to give their all, even when crowds could be bigger, including the **Gold Coast Jazz Band**, **Beyond Salvation**, **Chris Bradley's Traditional Jazz Band**. and, of course, **Pat Yankee**. Each turned in a full day of great music for the loyal, enthusiastic members who made it.



Chris Bradley's Traditional Jazz Band

Last, but certainly not least, we have the band lineup for 2015 and it promises to not only maintain the high standard we try to keep for preserving traditional jazz, but it might be even stronger this year. The bands were chosen based on your feedback to board members, on a vote of the board and on availability of the bands. If we didn't include a band you feel should be a featured group, please let us know and we'll factor it in to next year's choices, or keep that band in mind if another band is forced to cancel.

The 2015 NOJCNC schedule is: January, **Cell Block 7**; February, **Gold Coast Jazz Band**; March, **Flying Eagles**; April, **Fog City Stompers**; May, **Beyond Salvation**; June, **Bob Schulz' Frisco Jazz Band**; July, **Creole Jazz Band**; August, **Devil Mountain Jazz Band**; September, **Mission Gold Jazz Band**; October, **And That's Jazz**; November, **Zinfandel Stompers**; and December, **Joyful Noise Jazz Band**.



And it just wouldn't be the holidays if we didn't remind you to renew your membership this month or very soon. The bands keep playing, the dancers keep dancing and the great music keeps coming because of your membership, money that is, at the very least, helping preserve early New Orleans traditional jazz for future generations.

Follow the directions on the back page. Don't wait, do it now.

Tom Belmessieri & Paul Hilton, co-presidents

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FEATURED BAND: Dec. 21



GOLDEN GATE RHYTHM MACHINE

The Golden Gate Rhythm Machine (GGRM) plays trad jazz and popular music of the teens, '20s and '30s in a listenable and danceable style performed by professional musicians with more than 40 years experience each.

Band members:

Bob Schulz, cornet; **Clint Baker**, clarinet; **Jim Maihack**, trombone; **Robert Young**, bass saxophone; **Scott Anthony**, banjo; and special guest **Ray Skjelbred**, piano.

FEATURED BAND: Jan. 18, 2015

CELL BLOCK SEVEN JB

They favor the West Coast traditional jazz sound of Lu Watters, Turk Murphy and the Bay City Jazz Band of the '50s in a classic jazz lineup led by two cornets. Cell Block 7 adds entertaining versatility by doubling their talents on three double-bell euphoniums.

Band members:

Bob Romans, cornet; **Bob Sakoi**, trumpet; **Tom Downs**, tuba; **Jack Convery**, banjo; **Coleman Sholl**, drums; **Daryl Hosick**, piano; **Dan Talbert**, trombone; and **Paul Edgerton**, clarinet.



WHO'S PLAYING

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Feb. 15:
Gold Coast
Jazz Band

March 15:
Flying Eagles

April 19:
Fog City
Stompers

May 17:
Beyond Salvation

June 21:
Bob Schulz'
Frisco Jazz Band

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Jazz Band

Jan. 25:
Pat Dutrow's
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Feb. 22:
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Band with Pat Yankee

March 22:
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Jazz Band

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