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SUNDAYS

7: DIRTY SOUND MAGNET

Mystic Rock power trio that will blow your mind away with its unique multi-faceted compositions and virtuosity.

From catchy rock'n'roll high-energy rock songs to shamanic psychedelia, a Dirty Sound Magnet show represents an amazing experience for any music lover. At any time, an outburst of raw electrifying energy can transform into emotionally overwhelming and mysterious landscapes made of complex colourful layers. The eye sees three musicians while the ear hears an orchestra. And every night the music is different...

In April 2017, the song Homo Economicus won the award in the category best Swiss rock song 2017 and got radio airplay in several countries. Ever since, the band has embarked on a never ending tour around Europe filling up venues and festivals. The album Western Lies was released on May 12 earning prize from both critics and audiences.

The album denounces our capitalist society sarcastically and metaphorically. The atmosphere is dark, disturbing and full of mysticism. Hints of film music, inspired and powerful rock songs, electronic loops, unique guitar solos and dreamy melodies will take the audience on an unexpected spiritual journey.

Western Lies is a DIY project. During one year, the musicians isolated themselves from the outside world in their self-built studio to create their very own sound. On every level, the experimentations led to a unique album. The song writing, the sound and the atmosphere that shines on Western Lies are beyond classification. Let's call this genre Mystic Rock or Creative Rock.

14: HOT CLUB SWING – HOT STRINGS CAFÉ

Mike Frost (guitar), Gareth Hall (piano), Heulwen Thomas (violin), Donnie Joe Sweeney (bass, vocals)

Local musicians are invited to join in for an acoustic 'gypsy jazz' jam in the first set (6.30-7.30). Just £4 to participate and for the evening.

21: CARDIFF UNIVERSITY JAZZ SOCIETY BAND

Cardiff University Jazz Society has taken their Big Band, fresh from an appearance at the semi-finals of Band Cymru 2018, to international success with their recent summer tour to Prague and now they're ready to embark upon their latest venture: a small band. Showcasing some of the finest players from the Big Band, their debut performance will see them perform a range of great tunes fitting for any enthusiastic supporter and listener. All proceeds will go towards the society's upcoming 2019 summer tour. Tell your friends – it's going to be a cracker!

28: AVAILABLE FOR HIRE

MONDAYS

1/8: AVAILABLE FOR HIRE

15: EASY STREET

Easy Street are: Alexa Dene (vocals and flute) Eurig Morgan (trumpet) Steve Van Koningsveld and John Clayton (guitars) Derek Howells (bass) Keith Niblett (drums). With their unique line up and sound Easy Street present cool jazz, and laid back bossa-nova with the emphasis on the 'great American songbook'. They have played with stars such as Claude Deppa, Tina May and Eddie 'Guitar' Burns and at venues from the Queen Elizabeth Hall to Brecon Jazz Festival. Chill out guaranteed.

8.30pm start

22/29: AVAILABLE FOR HIRE

TUESDAYS

The Preservation Jazz Society present good-time jazz and swing in the traditional styles of the '20s and '30s in a friendly café bar atmosphere. Every Tuesday (8.30 -11 pm)

See www.pjscardiff.co.uk for more info.

ADM: £4.50 (£4.00 members/ £2 students) except * listings.**

2: MIKE HARRIES - The Early Years

Tribute to Mike - All ex MHJB and Adamant members welcome for a sit in

9: THE JOHN DAVIES QUARTET

John Davies, Vic Partridge, Roy Carsdale

16: ALL THAT JAZZ

John Foley's Merry Men

23: THE CAMELIA JAZZ BAND

30: PHIL WALL'S JAZZ QUARTET

Phil Wall, Pete Locke, Vic Partridge and Steve Davis

WEDNESDAYS

From 8pm onwards. Free entry

3: BELLA AND GARETH BLUES DUO

Isabella Collins (Vocals, Guitar) - Gareth Evans (Guitar)

10: THE BAY RUM HOUNDS – BLUES

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THURSDAYS

4: HACKENSACK

Hackensack is a monthly event held on Thursdays at Cafe Jazz. The focus is on the NEW and the FRESH and operates mainly, but not exclusively within the realm of jazz and improvised music. Double bills every month.

1st set: Rachel Head Quartet

An exciting new venture for these freshly graduated musicians. With new material written over the summer, this quartet will explore melody, moods and textures, with a few surprises thrown in just for good measure.

Rachel Head (Alto sax) - Ben Manning (Double bass) - Alex Burch (Drums) - Frazer McIntosh (Piano)

2nd set: Nick Costley-White Quartet

The Nick Costley-White Quartet combine their love and deep understanding for the jazz tradition with a fresh and modern aesthetic. Their repertoire draws on unique interpretations of songs from the jazz cannon as well as their own exciting and harmonically rich compositions. The band is made up of some of the countries finest improvising musicians:

Nick Costley-White (Guitar) - Matt Robinson (Piano) - Conor Chaplin (Double bass) - Dave Hamblett (Drums)

The quartet's debut album *Detour Ahead*, recorded in April 2017, portrays a narrative exploring the group's musical journey. It begins with performances which draw from the American Songbook tradition and travels through to a more modern aesthetic inspired by the surroundings of London's jazz scene. This compelling journey explores sounds from many perspectives simultaneously. Forms, harmonies and rhythms are superimposed and abstracted but still retain their essential function, whilst the improvisations express the excitement and beauty of these frameworks.

Choose which you pay

Big Price - £10 - for the arts supporter who would like to chip in that bit extra towards Hackensack's longevity and be remembered dearly

Medium Price - £7 - for the awesome audience, supporting the Hackensack without quite the glamour and philanthropy associated with the big price

Little Price - £5 - for the music lover who's thinking "that's all well and good but I'm a student who's on a budget here and I come to bloody everything anyway so stop pestering me for cash"

11: GREG STERLAND QUARTET

With Toby Boalch piano

ADM £6 / £5 concessions

18: LORRAINE BAKER'S EDEN - A TRIBUTE TO ED BLACKWELL

Rising star Lorraine Baker bursts onto the UK Jazz Scene to launch her debut album "Eden." Her individual style has gained attention from top international musicians, describing her playing as "magical" and "deeply rooted in the tradition of the great drummers of jazz. "The show focuses on tunes famously played by late drummer Ed Blackwell, re-arranged and using newly composed elements to give the music an edgy modern twist, perfectly showcasing the all star band and Lorraine's unique sound as an improviser. Expect a fusion of afro, dance and rock grooves with driving swing and elements of free improvisation.

Lorraine Baker (drums) - Paul Michael (electric bass) - John Turville (piano) - Alex Merritt (tenor saxophone)

<https://soundcloud.com/stream>
<https://www.facebook.com/lorrainebakerseden/>

“Lorraine has a magical quality in her playing which is perhaps the rarest of all things musical.” Jeff Williams - Drummer/composer/educator

I had a wonderful time playing with Lorraine Baker while recently in London. She swings hard and plays in a style deeply rooted in the tradition of the great drummers of jazz.” Gary Smulyan - award winning NY based baritone saxophonist

“I have no doubt that Lorraine Baker will make a valuable contribution to the musical landscape of the jazz scene and I am excited to follow her career.” Christine Tobin - internationally acclaimed jazz vocalist

Lorraine Baker’s dynamic range and musical concept is mature and advanced for someone so young.” Christine Tobin - internationally acclaimed jazz vocalist

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25: THE DAVE JONES QUARTET

Following several sell-out Festival gigs during the Summer, Pianist/Composer Dave Jones returns to Café Jazz with his Quartet, this time to perform newly-composed material, together with a selection of tracks from the critically acclaimed album ‘KeyNotes’. The ‘KeyNotes’ album has attracted excellent reviews from London Jazz News, Jazz Journal, and Jazzwise, and was also featured on BBC Radio 3’s ‘Jazz Now’, Jazz FM, BBC Radio Ulster’s ‘Jazz Club’, and BBC Radio Wales. Jones also composes music for TV and Film, which has been placed in USA and UK programmes, and is a writer for both Jazz Journal and Pianist magazine. The line-up tonight features Ben Waghorn (saxes and flute), Ashley John Long (bass), and Andy Hague (drums).

“Jones has assembled a formidable quartet” (London Jazz News)

“The theme writing is, as you might expect from a successful film and TV composer, memorable...” (Jazzwise)

“...one of our most able and listenable pianist/composers...” (Jazz Journal)

“...a showcase of the very best in British jazz today” (Isle of Wight County Press)

<http://www.davejonesjazz.com/videos.asp>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IILMCUozgEw>
<http://www.davejonesjazz.com/cds.asp>
<https://www.facebook.com/davejonesquartet>

ADM £6 / £5 concessions

FRIDAYS

Powerful, provocative and usually irresistible - Late night blues / rock / soul sessions every Friday night at Café Jazz **with music from DJ's Rich and Dave**

Admission is normally only £4.00 and music starts later, at 10pm.

5: THE FUGITIVES

Cardiff's premier R&B outfit. It might get loud, it might get sweaty but it'll definitely be rocking!!!

<http://fugitives.weebly.com/index.html> <https://twitter.com/FugitivesWales>

Gary Shag - Drums

Steve Johnson - Guitar

Big Steve - Guitar

Jason The Mighty Boosh - Bass

ADM: £4 / £3 concessions

12: JIMMY MAC'S BLUES BAND

High energy Funky Blues/Rock & Classic Soul

ADM: £4 / £3 concessions

19: TBC

ADM: £4 / £3 concessions

26: THE BELLA COLLINS BAND

The band plays a mix of Blues, jazz & soul, also playing a number of self penned originals.

ADM £4 / £3 concessions

SATURDAYS

Jazz Funk with our Resident House Band from 7.00pm until 10.00pm (except Special Event Days) followed by our Resident DJ until 2.00am.

ADM: £2 after 11pm

6: SARAH MEEK

13: DANIEL NEWBERRY

20: CARLO FRACCALVIERI

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