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Jim Clark & Friends Concert Series at Norwalk Public Library *Sunday Afternoon Jazz Returns March 2020*

Norwalk, CT, February 6, 2020- In a reprise of last year's popular Winter Concert Series, **Jim Clark & Friends** will once again enliven Sunday afternoons in March at Norwalk Public Library, with the soulful sounds of some very cool jazz. The series kicks-off Sunday, March 1, when Chris Coogan and his quartet will join Jim for a Mardi Gras Party, from 3 – 4 p.m., in the Main Auditorium, located at 1 Belden Avenue, Norwalk. Auditorium doors will open at 2:30.

Sponsored by the Norwalk Public Library, and coordinated by noted Norwalk saxophonist, jazz musician, and music educator Jim Clark, this concert series is free and open to the public. Featured artists and concert dates:

Sunday, March 1 (3 – 4 p.m.)

Mardi Gras Party - Chris Coogan & Jim Clark

Join Chris Coogan and his quartet – John Mobilio, bass; Jim Royle, drums; Jim Clark, saxes as they bring a New Orleans style Mardi Gras Party to the Norwalk Library

Sunday, March 8 (3 – 4 p.m.)

Swingin' Saxes – Marshall McDonald & Jim Clark

If swing is your thing – join saxophonists Marshall McDonald and Jim Clark for an exciting afternoon of jazz. Marshall McDonald is a stellar musician who has played lead alto with Count Basie (in Basie's band for 18 years!) tenor sax with Pacquito D'Rivera, baritone sax with Abdullah Ibrahim, clarinet solos with The Duke Ellington Orchestra and continues to perform throughout the world.

Sunday, March 15 (3 – 4 p.m.)

Women of Soul – Vaneese Thomas & Jim Clark

"A Tribute to Women of Soul," is an upbeat show that swings from the 50s into the southern soul of the 60s and 70s, showing rural influences and gritty urban instrumentation. "A Tribute to Women of Soul," captures, not only, the spirit of the times in music, but tells backstories of Vaneese's relationship to these women and their influence on her as an artist.

Sunday, March 22 (3 – 4 p.m.)

The Greatest Jazz Saxophonists You Never Heard of – Jim Clark

Join Jim and his quartet – Will Comer, piano, John Mobilio, bass, and Jim Royle, drums, as they shine the spotlight on lesser-known masters of the jazz saxophone, whose brilliant performances may have been overlooked by the public's focus on their megastar contemporaries.

For additional information about this concert series, please contact Cynde Bloom Lahey, Director of Library Information Services, at (203) 899-2780 ext. 15133, or clahey@norwalkpubliclibrary.org.

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