

2024 SPECIAL GROUPINGS AND THEMED SETS

FRIDAY

- 12:00pm **Monterey Sax**.....Colton
BBBBB leader Don Irving leads a saxophone quartet playing some great music!
- 1:00pm **Sweet&Hot Quartet**.....Portola
Ivory&Gold® joins up with debut feature artists T.J. Müller and Josh Duffee to Showcase the US version of S&HQ! Hot rhythm and sweet music in abundance!
- 1:00pm **Holland-Coots Jazz Quintet**.....Steinbeck 3
The first of three sets this year with the festival’s favorite fivesome. Don’t miss the show – Brian Holland, Danny Coots, Marc Caparone, John Otto, & Steve Pikal
- 1:30pm **The Big Four**.....Colton
In 1940, Sidney Bechet and Muggsy Spanier teamed with guitar and bass to create a unique sound, tributed here by Dan Barrett, Clint Baker, Dave Stuckey, & Riley Baker.
- 1:30pm **Draga’s Dragons**.....Steinbeck 1
Back by popular demand, Bob Draga leads his quartet for a potent and patented mixture of music and mirth. He and drummer Ron Jones are joined by Chris Dawson and Bobby Durham for this set
- 3:00pm **Dan Barrett’s Old Fashioned Jazz Band**.....Bonsai
When Dan suggested sharing the quintet he leads in SoCal, we jumped at the chance! Joining Dan are Riley Baker, Nate Ketner, Jason Wanner, & Steve Pikal
- 3:00pm **Apex Club Orchestra**.....Serra II
The response to last year’s debut demanded a return! Celebrating the music of Jimmie Noone and other 1920’s Chicago greats will be Schumm, J. Otto, J. Barnhart, Müller, Hagglund, Smith.
- 4:00pm **Double Trio**.....Steinbeck 3
No, this does not mean six musicians! It’s the name pianists Stephanie Trick and Paolo Alderighi use when they add bass and drums, in this case Sam Rocha & Danny Coots
- 4:30pm **Draga’s Dragons**.....Bonsai
Bob and Ron Jones are joined by Chris Dawson and Clint Baker for this set
- 5:30pm **BANJO BASH!**Portola
What could be better than one banjo? Try FIVE!! Bill Dendle, “Fast” Eddie Erickson, T.J. Müller, Gary Ryan, & Greg Sabin with Chris Calabrese & Brandon Au

- 6:00pm **Dave Bennett's Monterey 3**.....Bonsai
Ace clarinetist in the Goodman style offers everything from Benny to the Beatles and beyond! Dave Bennett, Jeff Barnhart, Hal Smith
- 6:00pm **Stephanie Trick Quartet**.....Colton
Primarily known as a soloist or in duo-form with husband Paolo Alderighi, Stephanie's bandleader chops are highlighted with John Otto, Riley Baker, and Danny Coots
- 6:30pm **THE PASSING OF THE TORCH!**DeAnza
Come witness history!! Fresh, doe-eyed 2024 Musician of the Year Steve Pikal will be ceremoniously crowned by jaded, world-weary 2023 Musician of the Year Clint Baker in a moving gesture of solidarity. Then, stick around for...
- 7:00pm **Grandsons of Bix**.....DeAnza
Andy Schumm celebrates the music of Leon "Bix" Beiderbecke with cousins Don Neely, Dan Barrett, Jeff Barnhart, T.J. Müller, Paul Woltz, and Josh Duffee
- 7:30pm **"Hollywood on 2 Pianos"**Bonsai
Stephanie Trick and Paolo Alderighi play great tunes from the silver screen!
- 7:30pm **Dave Bennett's Rockabilly Piano**.....Steinbeck 1
Dave boogies the music of Jerry Lee Lewis and other Sun Records stars with Steve Pikal and Hal Smith
- 8:30pm **Leyland's Boogie Woogie Boys**.....DeAnza
Get your dancing shoes on as Sonny Leyland leads Marc Caparone, Nate Ketner, Sam Rocha and Josh Collazo in a riot of rhythm and a sackful of soul!
- 8:30pm **Dave Stuckey's Hot House Gang**.....Steinbeck 3
Ace bandleader and guitarist Dave Stuckey takes on a whirlwind tour of swing in all its facets with John Otto, Clint Baker, Dan Barrett, Riley Baker, T.J. Müller, and Josh Duffee
- 9:00pm **El Dorado Jazz Band**.....Serra II
The original EDJB performed in SoCal in the 1960's. Washboardist Hal Smith leads Andy chumm, Nathan Tokunaga, Brandon Au, Brian Holland, Bill Dendle and Mikiya Matsuda in a repertoire of Classic New Orleans stomps, blues, marches, rags and even a sprinkle of pop songs from the 1950's!
- 10:00pm **Sherri Colby's RacketMakers**.....DeAnza
Siren Sherri Colby loves putting this band together...when the people are right. And HERE, they *are!* w/Nate Ketner, Clint Baker, Dave Ruffner, Matt Bottel, Katie Cavera, Sam Rocha, and Rick Canfield

10:00pm **The Jackson Six**.....Serra I
No white gloves, spacewalking or thriller arms here! This group's ONE previous appearance was in Jackson Hole, WY, playing for one of our festival's prominent sponsors, so we decided to bring them from the mountains to the shore.
Marc Caparone, Andy Schumm, Chris Dawson, Steve Pikal, Josh Collazo, Dawn Lambeth

10:00pm **"Late Night Jazz"**Portola
Pianistic chameleon Paolo Alderighi chairs a laid-back set featuring Dan Barrett, Riley Baker, and Danny Coots

SATURDAY

10:00am **How a Band Plays Together**.....DeAnza
Learn the "tricks of the trade" as Dave Stuckey leads a bespoke band of fest favorites illustrating how to make spontaneous musical magic onstage! w/T.J. Müller, Dan Barrett, John Otto, Chris Calabrese, Riley Baker, Josh Duffee

10:30am **The Syncopated Sea Monkeys**.....Steinbeck 1
This vibrant group of talented students makes its debut. Give them a BIG Monterey welcome!

11:30am **Young Bucks of the Clarinet**.....Serra I
Head buck Dave Bennett (at 40, the most seasoned reedman in the group) joins Nathan Tokunaga, Parker Weis and Jacob Zimmerman for swingin' favorites, aided by Chris Dawson, Riley Baker, and Gareth Price

12:00pm **Broadway on Two Pianos**.....Bonsai
Paolo Alderighi and Stephanie Trick celebrate the Great White Way as only they can!

12:00pm **Holland-Coots Jazz Quintet w/Andy Schumm**.....Serra II
The fearsome fivesome add Featured Artist Andy Schumm for some "hotter" jazz!

12:00pm **Fremont Christian Traditional Jazz Band**.....Steinbeck 1
Talented youth playing hot traditional jazz. Come hear these future stars!

1:00pm **Dave Bennett's Monterey 4**.....Portola
Clarinet-led quartet of seasoned swingers! Dave Bennett, Chris Calabrese, Bobby Durham, Hal Smith

1:30pm **Guitar Gathering**.....Colton
Smooth, swinging, silky sounds with Dave Stuckey, Dani Vargas, T.J. Müller, Steve Pikal

- 3:00pm **Piano Pile-On!**Bonsai
Celebrated piano duo husband-wife Paolo Alderighi and Stephanie Trick joins astonishing piano duo, Jeff Barnhart and Brian Holland (NOT husband and wife).
- 3:00pm **Pacific Brass**.....Serra II
This 35+ piece brass band brings back the era of Sunday afternoon gazebo park concerts
- 4:00pm **Dan Barrett's Old Fashioned Jazz Band**.....Steinbeck 3
See Friday 3:00 pm (Bonsai) for details
- 4:30pm **Caroline Dahl and Sonny Leyland**.....Bonsai
Last year we were unable to present this popular two-piano pairing, so we've brought the baroness and baron of boogie back for a reunion!
- 5:30pm **Legendary Lions of the Reeds**.....DeAnza
Clarinets and saxes take center-stage for an unprecedented amalgamation of talent!
Bob Draga, Don Neely, Clint Baker, Otis Mourning, Chris Dawson, Mikiya Matsuda, and Danny Coots
- 5:30pm **Stephanie Trick's Tribute to James P. Johnson and his Disciples**.....Portola
This exhilarating set of Harlem Stride piano shows why Ms. Trick is one of the best in the world!!
- 6:00pm **Ryan Daniele w/ Jeff Barnhart and Brian Holland**.....Bonsai
Local piano and pedagogue favorite makes his debut, joining forces with two festival favorites to share original compositions by this talented threesome
- 6:00pm **Dave Bennett's Monterey 5**.....Steinbeck 1
Just like his Monterey 3 and 4, but with one more! Dave Bennett, Chris Calabrese, Dave Stuckey, Steve Pikal, Josh Duffee
- 7:00pm **El Dorado Jazz Band**.....Serra I
See Friday 9:00pm (Serra II) for details. Barnhart replaces Holland for this set
- 7:00pm **Paolo Alderighi's Tribute to Erroll Garner**.....Portola
Mr. Alderighi is one of our most gifted interpreters of "The Elf" of the piano and is joined here by Riley Baker and Danny Coots
- 7:30pm **The Ragabonds "Ragtime!"**Bonsai
Sierra Seven rhythm section comes to the fore to offer HOT ragtime in the style of Wally Rose/Pete Clute. Brian Holland, Katie Cavera, Paul Hagglund, and Gareth Price

- 7:30pm **Ryan Daniele “Solo Journey”**Colton
Join this talented and charismatic pianist from the Central Coast as he entrances you with his original compositions
- 7:30pm **Crown Syncopators**.....Steinbeck 1
After too long an absence, this nonpareil ragtime trio will wow you! Syncopators include Frederick Hodges, Marty Eggers and Virginia Tichenor, with T.J. Müller guesting on this set
- 8:30pm **Crescent Katz Firehouse 5 + 2 Tribute**.....Steinbeck 3
The Band from Sacto invite Jason Wanner to help celebrate the most fun band in the history of Trad!! Hold your ears when that siren goes!
- 9:00pm **Masters of Classic Jazz Piano**.....Bonsai
The Alderighi & Trick Duo once again scintillates with fantastic flourishes of phalanges!!
- 9:00pm **Draga’s Dragons**.....Colton
Like earlier this weekend, but with Sonny Leyland on piano and “Musician of the Year” Steve Pikal on bass!
- 10:00pm **“Clancy Hayes Revisited”**DeAnza
What do you get when you enhance top festival band Sierra Seven with troubadour Dave Stuckey? A set even better than last year’s!
- 10:00pm **Sweet&Hot Quintet**.....Portola
The Barnharts, T.J. Müller, and Josh Duffee are joined by multi-instrumentalist Clint Baker
- 10:00pm **Dave Bennett’s Rockabilly Piano**.....Steinbeck 3
More Jerry Lee Lewis, Roy Orbison, Hank Williams and others by Dave Bennett, Bobby Durham, and Hal Smith
- SUNDAY**
- 9:30am **Groovus**.....Bonsai
The rhythm of HCJQ kicks it into gear with incredible renditions of favorite tunes! This set features Brian Holland, Steve Pikal and Danny Coots
- 9:30am **Crown Syncopators**.....Steinbeck 1
The triumphant trio returns for more sophisticated syncopation! Frederick Hodges, Marty Eggers, Virginia Tichenor
- 10:30am **El Dorado Jazz Band**.....DeAnza
See Friday 9pm Serra II for details. Barnhart once again on the piano chair

- 10:30am **Blue Street Gospel and Farewell Tribute to Forrest Helmick**.....Serra I
Long-time festival favorite and founder of the Blue Street Jazz Band left us before his time. The band provides an opportunity during this special tribute to say goodbye, laugh and cry
- 10:30am **The Reedley River Rats**.....Steinbeck 3
They're a polished Youth Group deserving of your time, ears and applause!
- 11:00am **Stride and Boogie Masters**.....Colton
Stephanie Trick's pianistic pyrotechnics, with added fireworks by Danny Coots on drums
- 11:00am **Draga's Dragons**.....Steinbeck 1
This time with Bob Draga, Chris Dawson, Bobby Durham and Ron Jones
- 12:00pm **Fabulous Baker Boys**.....DeAnza
The only thing missing here is Michelle Pfeiffer! Father-son team Clint and Riley Baker lead Danny Tobias, Jacob Zimmerman, Chris Calabrese, Dani Vargas, Mikiya Matsuda and Josh Duffee through some great tunes!
- 12:30pm **Monterey Sax**.....Colton
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- 1:30pm **Sweet&Hot Quintet**.....Portola
The Barnharts, T.J. Müller, and Josh Duffee are joined by multi-instrumentalist Andy Schumm
- 1:30pm **Holland-Coots Jazz Quintet w/Dave Stuckey**.....Steinbeck 3
This farewell performance by this quintessential quintet is enhanced by the inclusion of guitarist/vocalist Dave Stuckey
- 2:00pm **Women Songwriters**.....Serra II
The Dawn Lambeth Sextet join forces with guest Katie Cavera to celebrate the innumerable contributions women have made to our canon of American music
- 2:00pm **Crown Syncopators**.....Colton
See Sunday 9:30am (Steinbeck 3) for details
- 2:00pm **Dave Bennett's Rockabilly Piano**.....Steinbeck 1
Final performance with Dave's rocking piano and vocals, with Clint Baker and Hal Smith
- 3:15pm **FESTIVAL FINALE**.....DeAnza
All good things must come to an end, but we eased your pain by pairing the Sierra Stompers with a who's who of musicians, including Andy Schumm, John Otto, Dave Bennett, Dan Barrett and Dave Stuckey.