

Jazz Ain't Dead®, A Young Urban Jazz Music and Dance Collective

Joyce SoHo, March 24 -27, 2011

Choreography by Candice Michelle Franklin

(Choreographer for Shakti, Buffalo Stance, BRASCO, Black Taxi, Macy Gray)

Live Music Direction by Lafayette Harris

(Music Director for Color Purple, Bring in Da' Noise, Bring in Da' Funk)

Showtimes:

Thursday, March 24, 7:30pm, Friday, March 25, 7:30pm/9:30pm

Saturday, March 26, 7:30pm/9:30pm, Sunday, March 27, 6:00pm

Special Guests:

Mo Beasley (Actor/Writer/Poet/Host), **Maurice Chestnut** (Tap Dancer), **M. Nahadr** (Vocalist),
V. Jeffrey Smith (Tenor/Soprano Sax/Guitar)

JAD Band:

Lafayette Harris (Keys/Jazz Piano), Axel Tosca (Keys), Teodross Avery (Tenor Sax), Travis Antoine (Trumpet), Rogerst Charles (Alto Sax), Kenneth Salters (Drums), Steve Rodriguez (Bass), Mansa Gory (Trombone), Jimmy Lopez (Congas), Gabrielle Jennings (Djembe),

JAD Singers:

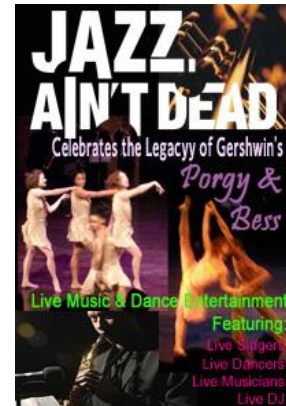
Daphne Shawn, Kenyetta Coffee, Billy Davis, Chris Rob (Vocals)

JAD DJ:

Nyck Henry

JAD Dancers:

Jerome Melsaun Warren, Careitha Davis, JoiLynn, Carmen Carriker, Gabriel Malo, Candice Michelle Franklin, Chelsey Arce, Andrea Colabufo, Gierre Godley, Leah Tubbs, April Holloway, Ashley Chavonne McGill, Shawn Cruz, Adisa Gooding-Henry, Tony Wright, Natonia Monet Harrison, Angel Chin, and Shelley McLaughlin

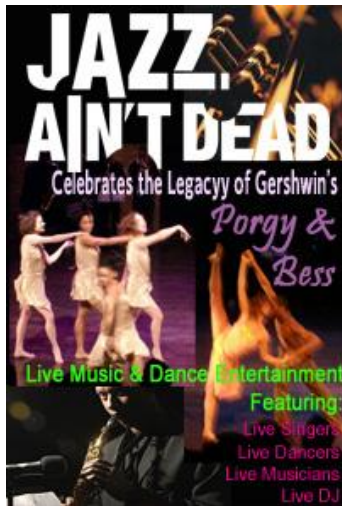


JAZZ Ain't Dead® Joyce SoHo Season 2011 Set List
Program Subject to Change

<p>Thursday, March 24, 7:30pm</p>	<p>JAD Lounge (35 min. TRT): JAD Jam, My Funny Valentine, Billie Jean, Black Panties, Whatever Lola Wants, I Know You Know, Fall In, Portuguese Love -Intermission -</p> <p align="center">Jazz Ain't Dead® Celebrates the Legacy of Gershwin's Porgy and Bess (40 min. TRT): Sometime Thang, Summertime Burlesque, It Ain't Necessarily So, Red-Headed Woman, I Loves You, Porgy, Bess, You is My Woman Now, There's A Boat, My Man's Gone Now, Summertime Interlude, Summertime House</p>
<p>Friday, March 25, 7:30pm</p>	<p align="center">Jazz Ain't Dead® Celebrates the Legacy of Gershwin's Porgy and Bess: Sometime Thang, Summertime Burlesque, It Ain't Necessarily So, Red-Headed Woman, I Got Plenty of Nuttin', I Loves You, Porgy, Bess, You is My Woman Now, There's A Boat, My Man's Gone Now, Summertime Interlude, Summertime House</p>
<p>Friday, March 25, 9:30pm</p>	<p>JAD Lounge: JAD Jam, My Funny Valentine, Since I've Been Loving You, Black Panties, Whatever Lola Wants, Billie Jean, I Know You Know, Fall In, Portuguese Love</p>
<p>Saturday, March 26, 7:30pm</p>	<p>JAD Lounge: JAD Jam, My Funny Valentine, Since I've Been Loving You, Black Panties, Whatever Lola Wants, Billie Jean, I Know You Know, Fall In, Portuguese Love</p>
<p>Saturday, March 26 9:30pm</p>	<p align="center">Jazz Ain't Dead® Celebrates the Legacy of Gershwin's Porgy and Bess: Sometime Thang, Summertime Burlesque, It Ain't Necessarily So, Red-Headed Woman, I Got Plenty of Nuttin', I Loves You, Porgy, Bess, You is My Woman Now, There's A Boat, My Man's Gone Now, Summertime Interlude, Summertime House</p>
<p>Sunday, March 27, 6:00pm</p>	<p>JAD Lounge (35 min. TRT): JAD Jam, My Funny Valentine, Since I've Been Loving You, Black Panties, Whatever Lola Wants, Billie Jean, I Know You Know, Fall In, Portuguese Love -Intermission -</p> <p align="center">Jazz Ain't Dead® Celebrates the Legacy of Gershwin's Porgy and Bess (40 min. TRT): Sometime Thang, Summertime Burlesque, It Ain't Necessarily So, Red-Headed Woman, I Got Plenty of Nuttin', I Loves You, Porgy, Bess, You is My Woman Now, There's A Boat, My Man's Gone Now, Summertime Interlude, Summertime House</p>

Music Credits for Joyce SoHo Performance:

(All music arrangements are directed and/or co-arranged by Candice Michelle Franklin)



Jazz Ain't Dead Celebrates the Legacy of George Gershwin's *Porgy and Bess*

It Ain't Necessarily So

Original Music by George Gershwin, New Music Arrangements
by Chris Rob for Jazz Ain't Dead®

A Woman is a Sometime Thang

Original Music by George Gershwin, New Music Arrangements
by Chris Rob for Jazz Ain't Dead®

Summertime Burlesque

Original Music by George Gershwin, New Music Arrangements by Lenny Underwood for Jazz Ain't Dead®, Text and Spoken word performance by Mo Beasley.

Red-Headed Woman

Original music by George Gershwin, New Music Arrangements by Donald Hayes for Jazz Ain't Dead®

I Got Plenty of Nuttin'

JAM by Band featuring freestyle tap improvisations by Maurice Chestnut

I Loves You Porgy

Original Music by George Gershwin, New Music Arrangements
by Lafayette Harris for Jazz Ain't Dead®, Spoken Word performance
by Natonia Monet Harrison with Text by Nihara Michelle

Bess, You is My Woman Now

Original Music by George Gershwin, New Music Arrangement and
live music direction
by Lafayette Harris for Jazz Ain't Dead®

There's a Boat

Original Music by George Gershwin, in the style of Ray Charles,
Live Music Direction by Lafayette Harris

My Man's Gone Now

Original Music by George Gershwin, New Music Arrangements by
Chris Rob
for Jazz Ain't Dead®

Summertime Interlude

Original Music by George Gershwin, New Music Arrangements
by Lenny Underwood for Jazz Ain't Dead®

Summertime House --Original Music by George Gershwin, New
Music Arrangements by Lenny Underwood with Live Music Direction
by Axel Tosca for Jazz Ain't Dead®



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The JAD Lounge



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Jazz Ain't Dead (The JAD Jam) -Arrangement and lyrics by Candice Michelle Franklin with Live Music Direction and composition by Lafayette Harris for Jazz Ain't Dead®

My Funny Valentine -Music arrangement by Chris Rob with Live Music Direction by Lafayette Harris for Jazz Ain't Dead® and text and spoken word performance by Mo Beasley

Since I've Been Loving You -Music by Led Zeppelin, Live Music Direction by Lafayette Harris

Black Panties - Music "Jungle Fever" by The Chakachas, Additional Music by JAD Band, Spoken Word Performance/Text by Mo Beasley

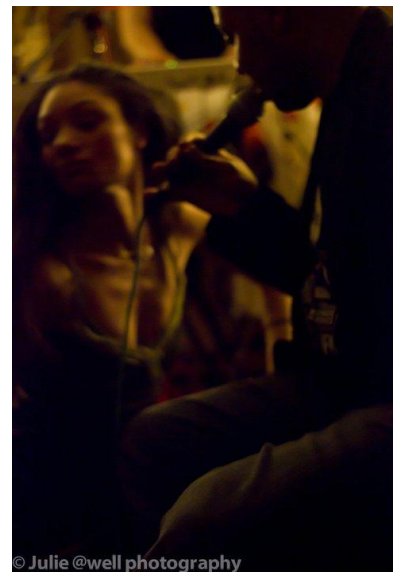
Whatever Lola Wants -Music arrangement by Marcus "BellRinger" Bell/Bellringer Productions/Global Soul Productions/InnerTemple Music for Jazz Ain't Dead®

Billie Jean -by Michael Jackson, Live Music Direction by Lafayette Harris

I Know You Know -Music by Esperanza Spalding, Live Music Direction by Lafayette Harris

Fall In -Music by Esperanza Spalding, Live Music Direction by Lafayette Harris

Portuguese Love -Music by Teena Marie, Live Music Direction by Lafayette Harris



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Hope to see you at Joyce SoHo!



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