

Delfeayo Marsalis and the Uptown Jazz Orchestra will host the 3rd Annual *Jazz at Congo Square* Festival on Sunday, September 10, 2023

NEW ORLEANS - On Sunday, September 10, 2023, Delfeayo Marsalis and the Uptown Jazz Orchestra will host the 3rd Annual ***Jazz at Congo Square*** festival, a FREE celebration of New Orleans music, food, culture, and traditions. With live entertainment from 1-7pm the JACS festival will showcase a variety of artists who have contributed tremendously to our city's local scene and the international music community at-large. Hosted by pianist and music personality professor Jesse McBride, the event will include local food, art and merchandise vendors, as well as musical artists including: The Congo Square Drum Circle, DJ Redd, Treme Brass Band, Anjelika "Jelly" Joseph, and Delfeayo Marsalis and the Uptown Jazz Orchestra.

Jazz at Congo Square was created to promote and celebrate the significance of Congo Square, while highlighting why the space is and should remain a historical landmark in New Orleans. The festival will offer space to nonprofit organizations who share a similar mission of preserving New Orleans culture. Over 30 local vendors will be on-site, offering the finest in food, jewelry and arts and craft items throughout the day.

"We definitely know how to throw a party down here," says founder Delfeayo Marsalis. "Day or night is always a good time to have a good time! We've had a long, hot summer, so it's a great time to get outside soon as it cools down. We're long overdue for a great outside party this summer and we're going to do it right." JACS is a great example of how longstanding traditions that were birthed and developed right in Congo Square can meet with the current needs of the people to rejoice out loud."

Learn more about the artists and the festival lineup at:

www.jazzatcongosquare.org

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About the Uptown Jazz Orchestra

When [Delfeayo Marsalis](#) and the [Uptown Jazz Orchestra](#) hit the stage, audiences are guaranteed to have a jazz party, all night long! Formed in 2008, UJO is stretching the boundaries of what is expected from big bands, playing with an extraordinary sense of joy and fun that could only come from New Orleans. With influences from Louis Armstrong to Count Basie, James Brown to J. Cole, Marsalis and UJO performances help free the mind, warm the heart, and heal the soul.

WRTI Radio Philadelphia notes, “The music is simultaneously progressive and traditional, containing musical influences from across the jazz and blues universe and unmistakably rooted in the grooves of New Orleans second line.”

“The model of the band now is that we can play music from any decade, with conviction and authority,” said Marsalis to the *Santa Barbara Independent*. “One minute you’re in the streets of New Orleans, the next at the Apollo, or in a Mississippi jook joint. We’re a feel-good band that focuses on entertaining folks from the first note to the last!”

Come to the 3rd annual Jazz at Congo Square Festival to enjoy the cool Jazz sounds of the Uptown Jazz Orchestra, Anjelika “Jelly” Joseph, The Treme Brass Band, and more, while supporting music education for Greater New Orleans kids and native New Orleans Musicians.