

The Edmonton Jazz Society
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Present



Yardbird
Suite

May 1-4
1985



REUNION

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The Yardbird Suite

“THE HOUSE THAT BOP BUILT”

In 1957, the Yardbird Suite was conceived.

For years, musicians had held sessions in empty community halls, private homes . . . anywhere with a piano. Here at last was a permanent home for jazz in Edmonton . . . a place where jazz for its own sake could be played and heard.

Hundreds of local musicians have played the Suite, and the premises have been honored by the presence of greats such as Bud Powell, Oscar Peterson, The Axidentals, Roy Haynes, Don Cherry, Ray Brown and Herb Ellis to name but a few.

The Edmonton Jazz Society has opened a new jazz venue aimed at capturing the spirit and philosophy of the original club. The Yardbird Suite has risen once again from the ashes. May 1st through to May 4th has been set aside for a celebration honoring the tradition of the Yardbird Suite. This is an opportunity to renew old friendships and acquaint a new generation of music lovers with Edmonton's substantial jazz heritage.

This reunion is dedicated to Terry Hawkeye and the founding members of the original Yardbird Suite: Zen and Ray Magus, Ron Repka, Gary Nelson, Ken Chaney and Neil Gunn for their contribution to creative music in Edmonton, and in memory of Ron Repka and Ray Magus whose talent and wit are missed by us all.

PROGRAM

THE YARDBIRD SUITE REUNION

MAY 1-4, 1985

Wednesday, May 1st

8:30 p.m. YARDBIRD SUITE REUNION BIG BAND
— Zen Magus, leader

10:00 p.m. PEPPER ADAMS' ALLSTARS
— Pepper Adams, baritone saxophone; P.J. Perry, alto saxophone; Ken Chaney, piano; Dave Field, bass; Jerry Fuller, drums; Herbie Spanier, trumpet

Thursday, May 2nd

8:30 p.m. BOB CAIRNS QUINTET — Bob Cairns, guitar; Gary Guthman, trumpet; Ken Chaney, piano; Dave Field, bass; Jerry Fuller, drums; Don Thompson, saxophone

10:00 p.m. GEORGE MCFETRIDGE SEXTET
— George McFetridge, piano; P.J. Perry, alto saxophone; Herbie Spanier, trumpet; Ray Sikora, trombone; Torben Oxbol, bass; George Urgan, drums

11:30 p.m. JIM PINCHIN QUINTET
— Jim Pinchin, saxophones; Bob Tildesley, trumpet; Bill Emes, piano; Cliff Minchau, bass; Kjell Gjersten, drums

Friday, May 3rd

- 8:30 p.m. CALGARY'S SATURDAY PRO BAND
— Special Guest Pepper Adams
- 10:30 p.m. TOMMY BANKS AND FRIENDS
— Tommy Banks, piano; Pete Thompson, saxophones and flute; Torben Oxbol, bass; Jerry Fuller, drums; singers Judy Singh and Mark Cohen

Saturday, May 4th

- 2:00 p.m. GRANT MACEWAN BIG BAND
— Directed by Rick Garn
- 5:05 p.m. EDMONTON ON STAGE - LIVE ON CBC 740 RADIO — Host Krysia Jarmicka
— Tommy Banks, piano; Pepper Adams, baritone saxophone; Jim Pinchin, tenor saxophone; Bob Tildesley, trumpet; George Ursan, drums; Dave Field, bass
- 8:30 p.m. KEN CHANEY QUINTET — Ken Chaney, piano; Big Miller, vocals; Pete Thompson, saxophones and flute; George Ursan, drums; Bob Miller, bass; Herbie Spanier, trumpet
- 10:00 p.m. P.J. PERRY ALLSTARS — P.J. Perry, alto saxophone; Jerry Fuller, drums; Torben Oxbol, bass; Ray Sikora, trombone; George McFetridge, piano; Gary Guthman, trumpet
- 12:00 p.m. MIDNIGHT JAM SESSION
— With Pepper Adams,

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