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VAIL JAZZ FREE CONCERT SERIES CONTINUE WITH GINGA BAND ON JULY 3

Enjoy live jazz under covered seating at Solaris Sunday at the Vail Farmers Market

Vail, CO June 29, 2011 – The Vail Farmers’ Market just got better , offering even more cool jazz in Vail’s newest neighborhood, Solaris. The new tented venue on the skating rink offers covered seating so you can check out the latest in Rocky Mountain jazz. “Last week was a great opener for our summer long Festival,” said Howard Stone, Vail Jazz Foundation chairman. “The Solaris spot is perfect . We can’t wait for Ginga Band to bring their awesome musicality and unique sound to Solaris on Sunday,” continued Stone. The concert begins at noon on Sunday, and Ginga Band will play three sets, finishing at 3pm.

Ginga Band is a Brazilian-Venezuelan ensemble that brings a vibrant new energy to the Colorado music scene. Their music resonates with the lively sounds of Latin percussion fused with flute, guitar, bass and sax. The sextet features: Bill Kopper (guitar, percussion, vocals); Greg LaLiberte (flute, saxophone, percussion, vocals); Francisco Marquez (guitar, percussion, vocals); Gonzalo Teppa (bass, percussion, vocals, and cuatro - a small Latin American guitar-like instrument); and Raoul Rossiter (drums, percussion and vocals).

The Vail Jazz Festival continues with a series of ten free concerts in the tent at Vail Square, starting on Thursday, July 7 with Curtis Stigers from 6-8pm in Lionshead. Free concerts continue all summer long, after which the Vail Jazz Festival presents the 17th annual Labor Day Weekend Jazz Party to wrap up a summer of jazz. The Party takes place September 1-5 at the Vail Marriott and in Vail Square, Lionshead. The Vail Jazz Party features over 30 outstanding artists including Monty Alexander Trio, Jeff Hamilton, Bobby Floyd, Terell Stafford Quintet, Wycliffe Gordon, Byron Stripling and many more. Tickets start at just \$45 and are on sale now. Visit www.vailjazz.org for more information.

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ABOUT THE VAIL JAZZ FOUNDATION

The Vail Jazz Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization, celebrating 15 years of providing outstanding jazz concerts and jazz education programs in the Vail Valley of Colorado. For more information, visit www.vailjazz.org

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| Jazz at the Market in the Vail Jazz Tent at Solaris | |
| Sundays from Noon to 3pm | |
| July 3 | GINGA BAND |
| July 10 | SALSA CON JAZZ |
| July 17 | TYREE MORRIS AND HEARTS OF WORSHIP |
| July 24 | JUSTIN ALLISON TRIO |
| July 31 | KATHY MORROW TRIO |
| August 7 | OTONE BRASS BAND |
| August 14 | LIONEL YOUNG BAND |
| August 21 | LAURA NEWMAN TRIO |
| August 28 | TONY G’S JAM SESSION |