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VAIL JAZZ DEBUTS SOLARIS TENT WITH FREE CONCERT FEATURING TONY G TRIO ON JUNE 26

Jazz at the Market now offers live jazz and covered seating for 100 at Vail Farmers Market

Vail, CO June 17, 2011 – Jazz at the Farmers’ Market continues its tradition of cool jazz on Sunday afternoons in Vail Village – performing from a new tented venue at Vail’s newest neighborhood, Solaris at Vail. The new venue on the skating rink at Solaris offers 100 seats under the tent from which to enjoy cool jazz. Don’t miss this free chance to see how Jazz can energize your Sunday afternoon stroll at the Vail Farmers’ Market!

Vail’s Jazz Ambassador Tony Gulizia, keyboard, will join with Max Wagner, tenor saxophone, and Allan Finney, drums, to open the new Vail Jazz Tent at Solaris. The trio will perform tunes from the American songbook, Blues, Latin Jazz and straight ahead Jazz. These three veteran jazz musicians are also top flight vocalists who can deliver that swinging jazz feel whether playing their instruments or crooning one of the classic standards that we all know and love.

“We dig playing the market – and with the new tent, folks can sit down, chill out and soak in some great music”, said Gulizia, who leads the trio. Their jazz playlist has been described as ‘feel good music’, but the trio prides itself on surprising the audience. “Sure, we play jazz classics, but we love to mix it up with familiar tunes, plus new directions in jazz -- music that pulls you right into the groove,” said Gulizia.

The Vail Jazz Festival continues with a series of ten free concerts in the tent at Vail Square, starting on July 7 with Curtis Stigers from 6-8pm in Lionshead. To wrap up the summer of jazz, the Vail Jazz Festival presents the 17th annual Labor Day Weekend Jazz Party from September 1-5 at the Vail Marriott and in Vail Square in Lionshead. The Vail Jazz Party features over 30 outstanding artists including Monty Alexander Trio, Jeff Hamilton, Dena DeRose, Terrell 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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Sidebar:

Jazz at the Market in the Vail Jazz Tent at Solaris

Sundays from Noon to 3pm

June 26	TONY GULIZIA TRIO
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