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LATIN JAZZ SONGSTRESS MAGOS HERRERA LIGHTS UP VAIL JULY 21
Free concert in tented venue at Vail Square from 6-8pm in Lionshead

Vail, CO – The Jazz at Vail Square series continues on Thursday night with the Magos Herrera Quartet from 6-8pm outside the Arrabelle Hotel in Lionshead.

"I'm so pleased to be returning to perform as part of the Vail Jazz Festival," said Herrera. "I hope jazz lovers will come out and listen to the music of my new album. Colorado is always a lot of fun and I can't wait to play for you in Vail."

Mexican-born Herrera is an accomplished singer-songwriter known for her beguiling rhythmic scatting inflected with soulful Latin-Andalusian phrasings. Fluent in Spanish, Portuguese and English, Magos is a favorite in Mexico and Latin America. Her repertoire is filled with the yearning romance, intimacy and enchantment of Mexican and Cuban songs and boleros, and sultry, languid samba-bossa nova beats. Magos' signature sound elegantly blends her classic jazz styling with Mexican, Cuban and Brazilian melodies. The Miami Herald says, "Magos manages to create a new style of Latin scat. It is innovative but clearly jazz and when she does her improvisations of the composed melodies, it is a mind-blowing experience." Herrera is joined on stage by Helen Sung on piano, Ricky Rodriguez on bass, and Alexandre Kautz on drums.

The concert series continues on July 28 with the United States Air Force Band, Mexican jazz sensation Magos Herrera Quartet, and continues through September 1, when the legendary Clayton Brothers Quintet will be joined on stage by the Vail Jazz All-Stars, a dozen of the most talented high school aged jazz musicians in North America, who will be completing a ten day intensive workshop in Vail with the Vail Jazz Foundation. Thursday will be their opportunity to shine with one of the most accomplished jazz quintets of today. The final Jazz at Vail Square concert also kicks off the 17th annual Labor Day weekend party, hosted at the Vail Marriott Mountain Resort and in Vail Square September 1-5, and featuring Monty Alexander Trio, Bobby Floyd, Wycliffe Gordon, Byron Stripling and many other greats. Tickets start at \$45 and are on sale now at www.vailjazz.org.

Jazz @ Vail Square: At a Glance

Thursday, July 21	Magos Herrera Quartet
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Thursday, July 26	United States Air Force Academy Band – The Falconaires
Thursday, August 4	Tommy Igoe Sextet
Thursday, August 11	Marcia Ball
Thursday, August 18	Tony Monaco Quartet
Thursday, August 25	Hot Tomatoes Swing Band with Swing Dancers
Thursday, September 1	Clayton Brothers Quintet and VJF All-Stars

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