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US AIR FORCE JAZZ BAND PLAYS VAIL SQUARE ON JULY 28

Free concert in tented venue at Vail Square from 6-8pm in Lionshead

Vail, CO – The free Jazz at Vail Square concert series continues on Thursday night with the United States Air Force Band – The Falconaires from 6-8pm outside the Arrabelle Hotel in Lionshead.

“We are fortunate to bring this marvelous 18 pieces band to Vail Square,” said Howard Stone, chairman and artistic director of the Vail Jazz Foundation. “They put on a great show – it’s rare to enjoy that big band sound with an ensemble of this size, but this band gets it done. We hope everyone comes out to see the Falconaires,” continued Stone.

The band's program includes classic Armed Service Songs plus a variety of other musical styles. Classics such as Rossini's "William Tell Overture," and Handel's "Music from the Royal Fireworks", Irish music, Latin selections, selections from the Broadway smash hit "Wicked" and even a touch of bluegrass are all possible with this uniquely American ensemble.

The concert series continues on August 4 with the amazing Tommy Igoe Sextet, 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 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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Sponsors of the Vail Jazz Foundation include Alpine Bank, Alpine Party Rentals, The Arrabelle, Avalon/Mistral The Luxury Shops, Baker’s Piano Center, Colorado Council on the Arts, Colorado Mountain Express – Official Transportation Provider, Ella Fitzgerald Charitable Foundation, Fly Vail, Hertz, Jack FM, KZYR – The Zephyr 97.7 FM, KUVO 89.3 & KVJZ 88.5 Jazz Public Radio, KVBA-TV8, Lionshead Merchants Association, Londer Vineyards, National Endowment for the Arts, Notably Fine Audio, Plum TV, Ravenscroft Pianos, Rocky Mountain Reprographics, The Jazz Cruise, Town of Vail, United Way Eagle River Valley, Vail Daily, Vail Marriott Mountain Resort & Spa, Vail Valley Foundation, and many other businesses and private donors.

ABOUT THE VAIL JAZZ FOUNDATION

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

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