



Tues 1 July £9/£6

SUE HAWKER QUARTET

GUY GARDNER (pn), RICHARD JEFFRIES (db), QUINNY LAWRENCE (dm)

During a career spanning over thirty years, Sue has played all the major venues (Ronni's, Barbican, Royal Festival Hall) as well as jazz festivals and clubs all over the UK. 'Hawker is a full-blown Jazz singer with a husky, seductive voice who can wade through bop phrasing as boisterously as Annie Ross.' *Cadence Review*



Tues 8 July £9/£6

PEDAL MANIA

JOHN PAUL GARD (Hammond), ALEX HUTCHINS (gt) GEFEN JONES (dm)

'A mix of Jimmy Smith and Jaco Pastorius, with a dash of Spike Jones, resting on top of the finest choice of funky grooves.'



Tues 15 July £9/£6

DEIRDRE CARTWRIGHT BAND

ALISON RAYNER (db/bg), BUSTER BIRCH (dm), SARAH P (vo)

Welcome return of this imaginative and consummate guitarist and composer. Deirdre Cartwright combines influences from classical piano to Hendrix, and fronts one of the most exciting live bands currently touring the UK.

'If there is a more complete guitarist in contemporary music than Deirdre Cartwright, I'd like to know who it is.' *Dave Gelly The Observer, April 2008.*



Tues 22 July £9/£6

ART THEMEN

with RALPH FREEMAN TRIO

MARCUS VERGETTE (db), PIP HARBON (dm)

Art Themen fronted the Stan Tracey quartet for twenty years from 1976. He's toured world wide and played and recorded with many US and

British luminaries. A busy and sought-after musician who nowadays is most often seen on stage with many of the best of Britain's top jazz players, Themen is a player who is known for his originality and individual style. One of the UK's top jazz saxophonists, he plays throughout the UK and worldwide and is a regular feature at many top jazz festivals.



Tues 29 July £9/£6

RORY SIMMONS QUARTET

Fine trumpeter who has played with the likes of Jamie Cullum, John Surman and Gerard Presencer delivers his own Zappa- and Django Bates-influenced material with his quartet: pianist Arthur Lea, bassist Dave Mannington and drummer Patrick Davey.



Tues 5 August £9/£6

DICK PEARCE

with VIV RODD TRIO

Another visit from this great trumpeter who's worked with Mike Westbrook, Dudu Pukwana, Gil Evans, Ronnie Scott's group and many others.



Tues 12 August £9/£6

JIMMY CANNON QUARTET

SEAN HARGREAVES (pn), ANDY HAMILL (db), SIMON LEA (dm)

Jimmy's back again, with his big voice and a great band.



Tues 19 August £9/£6

JIM MULLEN ORGAN TRIO

MIKE GORMAN (Hammond) & MATT SKELTON (dm)

Three of the best players on their respective instruments in the country.

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CHRIS BISCOE

with RALPH FREEMAN TRIO

'Biscoe is a saxophone virtuoso of great lyricism, passion, stamina and considerable versatility. He is steeped in the jazz tradition and his concept embraces everything from blues and gospel roots to free improvisation and jazz rock.' *Ian Carr, The Rough Guide to Jazz*



Tues 2 Sept £9/£6

MATT WATES SEXTET

MATT WATES (sx), STEVE KALDESTAD (tp), MARTIN SHAW (tp), LEON GREENING (pn), MALCOLM CREESE (db), STEVE BROWN (dm)

'A seriously good band containing six of Britain's finest jazz musicians, regardless of age or style.' *Dave Gelly, The Observer.* 'This is quite simply the best British band in years.' *Steve Voce, Gramophone Jazz.* 'The future of jazz is safe with guys like this around.' *Barry Witherden, BBC Music Magazine.*



Tues 9 Sept - FESTIVAL GIG - £10/£6

KILLER SHRIMP

DAMON BROWN (tp), ED JONES (sx), TROY MILLER (db), BEN HAZLETON (dm)

'Damon Brown plays with a warmth and fluidity that allows him to find considerable variations from the norm. His thoughtful and attentive playing always demonstrates his ability to find greater emotional depths.' *Virgin Encyclopaedia of Jazz.* 'Ed Jones is an improviser to his fingertips, a player of forceful imagination and one of the UK's most distinctive saxophonists. Capable of an ethereal lyricism as well as thunderous hard bop' *John Fordham, The Guardian.*



NEW YORK FORTNIGHT

Two great bands from the Big Apple



Tues 16 Sept - FESTIVAL GIG - £10/£6

Howard Britz NEW YORK TO LONDON EXPRESS featuring Jonathan Gee

JONATHAN GEE (pn), WILL VINSON (sx), SYLVIA CUENCA (dm), QUENTIN COLLINS (tp)

Howard Britz made his way across the pond to forge a successful jazz career in the most challenging of musical environments. He's played with some of the world's best, and the diversity of his influences is evident in his playing and compositions.



Tues 23 Sept £10/£6

BABATUNDE LEA

TONY KOFI (sx), LARRY BARTLEY (db), TREVOR WATKINS (pn)

'Babatunde Lea's renowned drumming and percussion have reached our shores at last, bringing an explosive energy of global rhythms drawn from his childhood in New York to his motherland Africa and its Caribbean and south American diaspora. A true master of his art, Babatunde has worked with the likes of Pharaoh Sanders, McCoy Tyner, Stan Getz, Van Morrison and many other greats. Babatunde is an artist with true soul, and a big message, and is joined for this tour by the talents of Tony Kofi, Larry Bartley and Trevor Watkins for an evening that will have you waiting eagerly for their return.'



Tues 30 Sept £9/£6

BOBBY WELLINS QUARTET

LIAM NOBLE (pn), DAVE WHITFORD (db), DAVE WICKINS (dm)

Welcome return of this legendary tenor player with over fifty years in jazz, during which time he's worked closely with a long list of other greats, notably Tubby Hayes, John Dankworth and Stan Tracey, with whom he made the seminal 'Under Milk Wood' album in the sixties. 'His gentle sound and approach are unique and he is without question one of the most creative players currently working in modern Jazz.' *Steve Rubie, 606 Club owner.*