



comes to "Crackers" and presents an evening of pure jazz. He will tell you today that Benny Goodman and Irving Berlin were really his teachers. After endless hours of listening to them practice, the personal sound of Pete Fountain began to take shape. It was fat! By the time he was sixteen he had already gained a reputation on the Street - Bourbon Street. He played with the band in the famous Parisienne Room-often performing for the Frenchmen. Pete played with the well known Basin Street Six & Dixieland in his younger years. In 1956 he gave up music, but the sound was still in him. All he needed was a band, a place to play. Lawrence Welk gave him all those. A one night appearance turned into a two year stay.

Back to New Orleans to his own club until 1977. In 1977 Baron Peterson joined him in the New Orleans Hilton and recreated the Dixieland Club in the hotel. Capacity crowds every night at the performances on Johnny Carson's "The Tonight Show" and recordings have propelled Pete Fountain into yet another phase of his long career. Welcome to Dixieland at its very best



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In the 1950's Oscar Peterson launched a career as the world's greatest jazz pianist with a group that brought him international acclaim...Inspired by Nat Cole, his trio employed piano, bass and guitar. The group's members included Ray Brown and Herb Ellis. In the 1960's, a young pianist from Jamaica landed in Miami to embark on a career as a jazz pianist. Shortly he met one of his jazz heroes, the bassist Ray Brown. Mr. Brown helped introduce this young pianist and soon Monty Alexander was being favorably compared to Oscar Peterson. Having performed together in various combinations over the years, Messrs Alexander, Brown and Ellis teamed up in the early 1980's to record for the Concord Jazz Label. Their efforts were a tremendous success, and since that time "Triple Treat" has been one of the most in demand groups in jazz. Treat yourself tonight to a Triple Treat...it's pure gourmet.

