

Monty Alexander among best bets at jazz festival today

Throughout the jazz festival, we will be giving you our best bets from the day's program. Today's picks are by writer Peter Hadekel.

TICKETED SHOW

Monty Alexander and Yard Movement, 9 p.m. at the Spectrum: Jamaican-born Alexander is a pianist who does things right. The judicious note, the fluid tempos, the impeccable way he can shade and shape a line make him one of today's brightest voices on the instrument. With Yard Movement, he adds a taste of reggae and ska to the mix.

FREE SHOW

Paris Africains, 7 p.m., at Place du Maurier: For those who believe we really are headed for one world, check out the jazz, funk, hip-hop and African rhythm in this band led by a sax player from Cameroon named Toups Bebey. They are the big, new thing in France these days.

TICKETED SHOWS

CHARLES PAPASOFF TRIO Théâtre du Nouveau Monde, 5 p.m.

ROY HARGROVE TRIO, SEXTET and BIG BAND Théâtre Maisonneuve of Place des Arts, 6 p.m.

MAVIS STAPLES Spectrum, 6 p.m.

BILL FRISELL WITH LEE KONITZ Théâtre du Gesù, 8 p.m.

TOMMY FLANAGAN TRIO/ STEPHEN SCOTT TRIO Théâtre du Nouveau Monde, 8:30 p.m.

DEE DEE BRIDGEWATER Salle Wilfrid Pelletier, 8:30 p.m.

AKA MOON Musée d'Art Contemporain, Salle Beverley Webster Rolph, 9 p.m.

MONTY ALEXANDER and YARD MOVEMENT Spectrum, 9 p.m.

THE BRIAN SETZER ORCHESTRA/CRAZY RHYTHM DADDIES Metropolis, 9 p.m.

HAMIET BLUIETT BARITONE SAXOPHONE GROUP Salles du Gesù, 11 p.m.

GRAHAM HAYNES Foufounes Electriques, midnight.

FREE SHOWS

Noon: Place du Complexe Desjardins, **Dinah Vero World Quintet**

Noon: Terrasse SAQ Sélection, **Streetnix**

1 p.m.: Terrasse SAQ Sélection, **Ceux Qui Marchent Debout**

2 p.m. (and 3:30 p.m.): Place du Complexe Desjardins, **La Petite École du Jazz**

2 p.m.: Terrasse Nescafé, **Sweet Dbdie**

4 p.m.: Scène du Maurier, **Bill Jupp Big Band**

5 p.m.: Terrasse Nescafé, **La Bande à Bruno**

5 p.m.: Terrasse SAQ Sélection, **L'Orkestre des Pas Perdus**

5 p.m.: Terrasse de l'Esplanade, **The Rhythm and Truth Brass Band**

6 p.m.: Scène du Maurier, **Bernie Senensky Trio**

7 p.m.: Place du Maurier, **Paris Africains**

7 p.m.: Scène Labatt Blues, **Billy Charcoal with Julie Massicotte**

7 p.m.: Terrasse Nescafé, **Francine Poitras**

8 p.m.: Scène Bleue Dry, **Paul Tobey Trio**

8 p.m.: Terrasse de l'Esplanade, **Tim Williams**

8 p.m.: Place du Festival, **Moment's Notice**

9 p.m.: Scène du Maurier, **The Jackson Southernares**

9 p.m.: Place du Maurier, **Teofilo Chantre**

9 p.m.: Scène Labatt Blues, **Eddie Burks**

10 p.m.: Scène Bleue Dry, **Afro Celt Sound System**

10 p.m.: Place du Festival, **Joaquin Diaz**

10 p.m.: Terrasse Nescafé, **Moment's Notice**

11 p.m.: Scène du Maurier, **The Jackson Southernares**

11 p.m.: Scène Labatt Blues, **Billy Charcoal and**

Julie Massicotte

Midnight: Terrasse Nescafé, **Joaquin Diaz**

FRIENDS OF FESTIVAL CARD

3:30 pm (and 5:30, 7:30 and 9:30 pm): Cinémathèque Québécoise 30 Ans de Montreux, **Femmes du Jazz (1994): Betty Carter, Shirley Horn, Natalie Cole, etc.**

4 p.m. (and 6, 8 and 10 p.m.)

Cinémathèque Québécoise Ciné Jazz, **Deux Hommes Dans Manhattan**

12:30 a.m.: Spectrum de Montréal, **Eddie Burks**

VENUES

■ **Salle Wilfrid Pelletier and Théâtre Maisonneuve**, Place des Arts, 175 Ste. Catherine W.

■ **Salle Beverley Webster Rolph**, Musée d'Art Contemporain, 185 Ste. Catherine W.

■ **Spectrum de Montréal**, 318 Ste. Catherine W.

■ **Salles du Gesù**, 1200 Bleury

■ **Théâtre du Nouveau Monde**, 84 Ste. Catherine W.

■ **Foufounes Electriques**, 87 Ste. Catherine E.

■ **Metropolis**, 59 Ste. Catherine E.

■ **Cinémathèque Québécoise**, 335 de Maisonneuve E.

■ **Salle Pierre Mercure**, Centre Pierre Péladeau, 300 de Maisonneuve E.

■ **Scène du Maurier**, Ste. Catherine at Jeanne Mance.

■ **Terrasse Nescafé**, Ste. Catherine opposite Place des Arts.

■ **Scène Bleue Dry**, Bleury north of Ste. Catherine.

■ **Terrasse SAQ Sélection**, just west of Place des Arts.

■ **Place du Festival**, President Kennedy, west of St. Urbain.

■ **Terrasse de l'Esplanade**, St. Urbain north of Ste. Catherine.

■ **Scène Labatt Blues**, St. Urbain and de Maisonneuve.

■ **Place du Complexe Desjardins**, inside Complexe Desjardins.

■ **Place du Maurier**, President Kennedy at Jeanne Mance.

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