

*Oradell Free Public Library Foundation
Jazz Foundation of America*

presents

The logo for 'FAT Saturday' features the word 'FAT' in large, purple, block letters. The letter 'F' has a colorful masquerade mask on its top bar. The letter 'A' has a colorful party hat on top. The letter 'T' has a brown top hat on top. To the right of 'FAT', the word 'Saturday' is written in a purple, cursive script.

FAT Saturday

An evening of jazz, wine, food
and silent auction with

- Onaje Allan Gumbs
- Marcus McLaurine
- George A. Gray, Jr.

and the

River Dell High School Jazz Band
under the direction of Kevin Reilly

April 21, 2018

The Line Up

Kick it Off/Opening Remarks

John J. Trause, Director, Oradell Public Library
Lin Loh, President, Oradell Public Library Foundation

Jam Section

Onaje Allan Gumbs (piano), Marcus McLaurine (bass),
George A. Gray, Jr. (drums)

Brief Intermission

The River Dell High School Jazz Band joins in the fun!

Jive Talk

Make your own origami saxophone or piano to take home.

Our Fat Saturday silent auction is located on the library's 1st floor. Please see the prize insert for prize descriptions and bidding. All proceeds benefit the Oradell Public Library Junior Room and other Library initiatives.

The Bees Knees

Thank you for your support – you are the cat's pajamas!

Oradell Free Public Library Foundation, a 501 (c)(3) designated charitable organization comprised of dedicated volunteers who meet quarterly and raises money for special collections and capital projects for the Library's strategic planning. They also work with the Library Board of Trustees and Director of the Library to meet many of the needs of the Library not possible in the Library's limited operating budget.

Jazz Foundation of America offers a variety of programs and assistance for jazz and blues musicians in need, ranging from performance opportunities to emergency living expenses to medical care to housing. Every Monday, the Jazz Foundation helps keep the spirit of the Music alive by hosting a jam session at the musicians' union in Midtown Manhattan.

Meet Our Musicians



Onaje Allan Gumbs

Born in Harlem and raised in Queens, Onaje started playing piano at age 7. He graduated from Manhattan's High School of Music and Art as well as SUNY at Fredonia.

In 1971, a gig with master guitarist Kenny Burrell at Baker's Keyboard Lounge in Detroit led to recording and sideman gigs with such artists as Norman Connors, Buster Williams, Cecil McBee, Betty Carter and Nat Adderley. He spent 2 years as pianist, composer, and arranger in the band led by the late, great trumpeter Woody Shaw.

As a producer/arranger/pianist, Onaje has worked with other artists such as, Billy Cobham, Kevin Eubanks, Will Downing, Angela Bofill, and Cassandra Wilson. Producer of debut albums for vocalists Vanessa Rubin and Gregory Generet and for bassist Kenny Davis whose album featured among others, Geri Allen, Javon Jackson, Billy Kilson and Don Byron. Onaje is a 2006 NAACP Image Award Nominee for Outstanding Jazz Artist for his album, "Remember Their Innocence".



Marcus McLaurine

Composer, leader and sideman, bassist Marcus McLaurine has become one of the most sought-after artists in jazz, sharing bandstands with Dizzy Gillespie, Kenny Burrell, James Moody, Lou Donaldson, Dame Cleo Laine, Joe Williams, Jon Hendricks, Abbey Lincoln, and the Count Basie Orchestra under the direction of Thad Jones. Marcus McLaurine is also an adjunct professor at William Paterson University.



George A. Gray, Jr.

George A. Gray, Jr. is a native of Baltimore, Maryland. He is a drummer, percussionist, songwriter now living in Brooklyn, New York.

Though many recognized George first as primarily a funk-groove drummer on records, his drum stylings are truly versatile. R&B, Be-bop jazz, Contemporary, Reggae, Fusion, Hip Hop, Go Go and Latin, all of which has influenced his unique drum stylings, including all of the early James Brown grooves that takes it all back to the basics. Highlights of recent years include tours with Pockets, Stephanie Mills, Earth, Wind & Fire, Stevie Wonder, Deniece Williams, Angela Bofill, Jimmy Smith, Abdullah Ibrahim, and Grammy nominee Cassandra Wilson, Chuck Berry, Janet Jackson to just name a few.
www.georgeagraymusic.com

Meet the River Dell High School Jazz Band under the direction of Kevin Reilly

The band is dedicated to promoting awareness and appreciation of America's classical music: Jazz. The RDHS Jazz Band performs jazz compositions and arrangements which include Swing, Bebop, Hard-Bop, Modern Jazz and Afro-Cuban Jazz.

- ❖ Ryan Alexiou '19 (Drums)
 - ❖ Harrison Fairchild '20 (Drums)
 - ❖ Jake Rabinowitz '20 (Alto Saxophone)
 - ❖ Isabelle Samuel '18 (Clarinet)
 - ❖ Jack Alexiou '19 (Bass)
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