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## President's Message

Joyce Taylor, President

What a great day! Sunday, July 23rd starting at 1pm, the South Bay Trad Jazz Society Music and Dance Party featured The Jazzinators, a group of young musicians, who performed in the first set, followed by The Mission Gold Jazz Band, led by John Soulis who is the leader of both bands. These two bands were outstanding! The dancers stayed on the floor all afternoon until the South Bay Jammer Band stopped playing at 5pm. Wow! We look forward to next month when the Zinfandel Stompers play their farewell on August 27th.

Thank you to all those friends of South Bay who help set up and take down our party atmosphere. I appreciate it! And thanks to all of you who come to dance and listen to our wonderful bands. See you next month.

## Youth Scholarship Fund Needs Your Help

I'm excited to share that we will be awarding a music scholarship to one of our local young musicians, Nathan Tokunaga! Our mission statement says that our organization is dedicated to the performance, promotion and preservation of traditional jazz, and awarding

scholarships to deserving students is one of the ways we, as a community, demonstrate that. This scholarship will help Nathan take his first trip to New York City to meet his online clarinet teacher, Evan Christopher, in person for the first time! On this trip, he will have opportunities to perform alongside some of the top traditional jazz musicians in the country. He promises to send us videos of these performances for us to see and to promote on our websites as inspiration to other young musicians who are interested in learning about the traditional jazz world. We are proud to be part of Nathan's home scene, and grateful for how much he has already gifted the community with his music, both in a professional capacity, and also in leading a youth band on his own! We look forward to seeing what great things Nathan will accomplish in preserving this music in the future! We are currently accepting donations to help fund this scholarship. If you are interested in donating to the scholarship fund for this and for future youth education programs, please contact us for more information!

Yours,

Heidi Evelyn



## South Bay Jammers Tune List

*Upcoming: August 27th, 2023*

### Set 1 - 1:00pm

Nobody's Sweetheart Now (parasol)	F
Mandy Make Up Your Mind	F
How Come You Do Me Like You Do	Bb
I'm Gonna Sit Right Down And Write Myself A Letter	Bb
Moon River (waltz)	Bb or C
Oh Lady Be Good	F

### Set 2 - 4:10pm

Mama Don't Allow	Bb
Mama's Gone Good-Bye	Ab
Waltz You Saved For Me, The (waltz)	Eb
Shake That Thing (parasol)	Eb
Melancholy Blues	F
My Blue Heaven	Eb



*Musicians who wish to participate in SBTJS Jam Sets must sign up with Joyce Taylor or Don Abel.*

## “Set 1” Jazzinators

July 23rd, 2023

Eshaan M. .... trumpet and vocals  
Jacky X. .... trumpet  
Willard T. .... trumpet  
Stuti J. .... tenor sax, vocal and emcee  
Tim P. .... sop. and alto sax., leader  
Gordon T. .... violin  
Jaxon L. .... trombone  
Yao Yao X. .... trombone  
Trisha K. .... banjo  
Aanya M. .... piano  
Peter L. .... bari. sax. (bassline)  
Srijan S. .... drums  
John Soulis ..... director  
(last names omitted for privacy purposes)

## “Set 2” Jam Set Players

July 23rd, 2023

Don Abel ..... jam set leader, cornet  
Joyce Taylor ..... jam set coordinator  
Franklin Beau Davis ..... cornet  
Lewis Keizer ..... cornet  
Lyle Gillison ..... alto sax., clarinet  
Brian Richarson ..... trombone  
Jerry Rosenblum ..... euphonium  
Michael Ellenberger ..... guitar  
Larry Yellowitz ..... piano  
Howard Miyata ..... tuba  
Bill Todd ..... drums  
Larry Seeger ..... bones

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Sunny & Harvey Tokunaga  
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Judy Hagan  
Marilee Jensen & Joseph Taddei  
Leone Rodriguez & Fred Nidiffer  
Bill Todd

### ANGEL

*We would love to see your name here!*

### DOUBLE ANGEL

*Rick & Amy Magnuson*

**\*\*We appreciate and value your membership!\*\***



## The Zinfandel Stompers Vintage Jazz Band - August 27th, 2023

**Don Abel\*** (cornet) was the Cornetist with the South Bay Stompers, based in the San Jose area, for well over ten years, and has been with the **Zinfandel Stompers Vintage Jazz Band** since the band came together in 2007. Don was also a long-time member of the **San Jose Metropolitan Band**, serving as principal trumpet in that group for more than 15 years. He now plays Solo Cornet with **The Pacific Brass Band**.

**Rick Siverson\*** (reeds & vocals) is a charter member of the **Zinfandel Stompers Vintage Jazz Band**, playing clarinet; soprano, alto and bass saxophones -- as well as other saxophones, and cornet. We've even seen him take a chorus on soprano recorder. Over the past 35 years he's been a member of the **Royal Society Jazz Orchestra**, the **Churchill Street Jazz Band**, the **Hecker Pass All-Stars** and the **Seaside Syncopators**. Rick also plays French Horn in the **South Valley Symphony Orchestra**, and Tenor Horn in **The Pacific Brass Band**.

**Howard Miyata\*** (Trombone, Baritone & vocals) is one of the best-known and most popular traditional jazz trombonists in the country. He was trombonist with the **High Sierra Jazz Band** for three decades, and previously played with the **Royal Society Jazz Band**, the **Monterey Classic Jazz Band** and the **Seaside Syncopators**, among others. In addition to being a charter member of the **Zinfandel Stompers Vintage Jazz Band**, he also performs with his nephews in the **Au Brothers Jazz Band**, and is on the faculty of the **Camp Heebie Jeebies** youth jazz camp in Washington and the **AFCDJS Adult Trad Jazz Camp** in San Diego. Howard is also a frequent guest artist at Traditional Jazz societies and festivals around the country. Howard also plays tuba in the **Pacific Brass Band**.

**Jim O'Briant\*** (tuba & leader) founded the **Zinfandel Stompers Vintage Jazz Band** in the spring of 2007 by recruiting the best players he could find in the area. His background is primarily classical, but also includes

performing with several bands in the Midwest prior to moving to California in the 1990's. In addition to leading the **Zinfandel Stompers Vintage Jazz Band**, Jim was a member of **Ted Shafer's Jelly Roll Jazz Band** for seven years, and now plays with **Earl Scheelar's Zenith Jazz Band**. He has also "subbed" with the **Mission Gold Jazz Band**, the **South Bay Stompers**, the **Creole Jazz Kings**, **Bob Romans' Cell Block Seven**, **Bob Schulz' Frisco Jazz Band**, the **Yosemite Jazz Band**, and the **Golden Gate Rhythm Machine**. He is also Principal Tuba of the **South Valley Symphony Orchestra**, and serves as Music Director and Staff Arranger for the **Pacific Brass Band**, with more than 100 Brass Band arrangements to his credit.

**Patrick Dutrow\*** (banjo, Guitar & vocals) was with the **Natural Gas Jazz Band** of San Francisco for 19 years, prior to that was a member of the **Professor Plum** jazz band, the **Royal Society Jazz Orchestra**, and the **Seaside Syncopators**. He also currently plays with the **Fog City Stompers** and the **Toot Sweet Jazz Band**, and he's the leader of **Pat Dutrow's Jazzmeisters**.

**Rich Owens** (piano/Keyboard & vocals) is in great demand as a pianist all over the Bay Area. He's a member of many Traditional Jazz Bands in the Bay Area, and he leads **Rich Owens' Thrown-Together Jazz Band**.

\*Charter member



## Music – Music – Music

The youth band, the Jazzinators, were awesome! Thank you for performing for the South Bay Trad Jazz Society on July 23rd. Please return with this group or in smaller groups. You are also welcome to join the Jammer band. Please let Don Abel or Joyce Taylor know that you would like to join. The dancers stayed on the dance floor until the South Bay Jammer Band, who were playing great, had to stop their performance at 5pm. See you next month for another 2 sets of South Bay Jammers. Thanks!

-Joyce Taylor  
banjo, and Jammers coordinator

## SBTJS Dates for 2023

We hope you'll put these dates on your calendar so you'll be free to come and see us each month! **Bring your own food, but not beverages.**

*We usually meet on the 4th Sunday of each month. Sometimes it is moved to the 3rd Sunday, usually to avoid the weekends of Memorial Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas*

### Location

Sunnyvale Elks Lodge #2128  
375 Pastoria Ave.  
Sunnyvale, CA 94085

## 2023 Calendar:

### August 27

Zinfandel Stompers Vintage Jazz Band  
(farewell performance)

### September 24

Katie and the Lost Boys  
(Katie Cavera)

### October 22

Bob Schultz Frisco Jazz Band

### November 19 (3rd Sunday)

Creole Jazz Kings  
Keith Baltz and Brian Richardson

### December 17 (3rd Sunday)

Clint Baker's New Orleans Jazz Band

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## **BOARD MEETING WEDNESDAY AUGUST , 2023**

11:30 a.m.

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**Farewell**

**Performance!**



*South Bay Trad Jazz Society*  
**Sunday August 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**1:00-5:00 PM**

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