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# 12<sup>TH</sup> STREET JUMP— PUBLIC RADIO'S JAZZ, BLUES & COMEDY JAM RETURNS WITH ALL NEW LIVE SHOWS WEEKLY STARTING FEBRUARY 5!

*Live broadcasts on FM 89.3 KCUR*

**January 6, 2011—12<sup>th</sup> STREET JUMP**, public radio's weekly jazz, blues and comedy jam, returns with live broadcasts from the Kansas City Marriott Downtown February 5. Throughout the month of January, KCUR FM 89.3 will re-broadcast the best of **12<sup>th</sup> STREET JUMP** at [www.kcur.org](http://www.kcur.org) every Saturday night at midnight. The popular radio show is syndicated on the Public Radio Exchange ([www.prx.org](http://www.prx.org).)

The music of jazz legends from Sergio Mendes, Nancy Wilson and Nat King Cole to Thad Jones, Herbie Hancock and Lionel Hampton will heat up Kansas City Saturday nights this Winter and Spring. Hosted by Pete Weber and Pearl McDonald, **12<sup>th</sup> STREET JUMP** features vocalists David Basse and Nedra Dixon, musical director Joe Cartwright on piano, Tyrone Clark on bass and Mike Warren on drums.

Each week, the **12SJ** crew is joined by a special guest artist. Kansas City favorites Danny Embry, Kim Park and Stan Kessler return to the stage along with Ervin Brown, Rod Fleeman, St Louis vibraphonist Peter Schlamb and Chicago vocalist Alison Ruble, to name just a few. The **12<sup>th</sup> STREET JUMP** line up of featured artists and special guests includes the following (all dates are Saturdays):

	FEATURING THE MUSIC OF	SPECIAL GUEST
February 5	Sergio Mendes	Danny Embry
February 12	Harold Arlen	Ervin Brown
February 19	Nancy Wilson	Millie Edwards
February 26	Willie Bobo	Gary Helm
March 5	Wes Montgomery	Rod Fleeman
March 12	Nat King Cole	Alison Ruble

March 19	King Pleasure	Kim Park
March 26	Thad Jones	Stan Kessler
April 2	Gerry Mulligan	Kerry Strayer
April 9	Herbie Hancock	Michael Pagan
April 16	Lionel Hampton	Peter Schlamb
April 23	Otis Rush & Albert King	Bill Dye
April 30	Groove Holmes	Everette DeVan

Located along the 12<sup>th</sup> Street Jazz Walk of Fame, Kansas City's jazz, blues and honky-tonk heart, **12<sup>th</sup> STREET JUMP** continues that tradition on the same street where Count Basie tickled the ivories at the Reno Club and Big Joe Turner shouted the blues.

**12<sup>th</sup> STREET JUMP** is produced and presented by Theater League, celebrating thirty-three years enhancing the quality of life in the communities it serves with the thrill of live music and theater. **NO COVER-ONE DRINK MINIMUM**; doors at the KC Marriott Downtown, 200 West 12<sup>th</sup> Street, open Saturday nights at 11:30PM. Validated parking at the Marriott garage is subject to space availability.

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