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The August Wilson Center Announces Taste of Jazz Event
The Pittsburgh International Jazz Festival Kick-Off Event
A Taste of Great Food + A Taste of Great Jazz

Tuesday, June 5th, 2018 – Pittsburgh, PA– The August Wilson Center is thrilled to invite music enthusiasts to **Taste of Jazz**, the ultimate jazz party of the year, on **Friday, June 15, 2018** at the **August Wilson Center** from **9 PM to Midnight**.

VIP guests will enjoy an exclusive experience beginning at **6 PM** including a post-concert **Meet ‘n Greet** with **Marcus Miller**, exclusive musical entertainment by **Benny Benack III**, guest performance by **Pollie Gibbons**, and access to the VIP lounge which features an open bar showcasing signature cocktails courtesy of **Wigle Whiskey** and appetizers courtesy of **Eddie V’s**. While **General Admission** guests will join the party at **9 PM** with live music filling every corner and cash bars exclusively featuring **Pittsburgh Winery** libations. Artists of the night include **Orrin Evans, Noel Quintana & The Latin Crew**, and **DJ Selecta**.

In addition to live music, Pittsburgh’s top restaurants and vendors will be on-site with chef-inspired tastings. This year’s participants provide wide range of cultural inspired food including:

A519 Chocolate

Assorted Chocolate

Blume Honey Water

Blume Honey Water Samplings

The Capital Grille

Double Chocolate Cookies

Eddie Merlot’s

Ahi Tuna Poke- Tuna, Avocado, Asian Ginger Chili, Creamy Wasabi, Sweet Soy

Fogo De Chão

Brazilian Empanadas, Chimichurri Aioli, Hearts of Palm Spinach Dip, Fiery Chicken Skewers, and Picanha Skewers

Fortuitea Café & Bakery

Impossible Burger Meatball Sliders with House Made Marinara on House Made Challah Buns

Pirata Caribbean Cuisine x Rum Bar

Mini Al Pastor Tostados

Sienna on the Square

Stracciatella with Tomato Jam, Basil, Potato Chip

Willow

Green Garlic Velouté with Pickled Cape Gooseberries, Yukon Shallot Crumble, Kumquat Coulis and Brassica Flowers

Il Pizzaiolo

The Inaugural Taste of Jazz music celebration kicks off the **2018 Pittsburgh International Jazz Festival** presented by **Citizens Bank**. "I'm thrilled for this exciting first year event. The Taste of Jazz will offer guests a taste of great jazz music, and a taste of great cuisine at the August Wilson Center."

For the best way to experience Taste of Jazz AND the entire Pittsburgh International Jazz Festival presented by Citizens Bank, purchase the All-Access Pass.

TICKET INFORMATION:

\$50 General Admission - <https://awc.culturaldistrict.org/production/59363/taste-of-jazz-party>

\$55 Marcus Miller Concert - <https://awc.culturaldistrict.org/production/57298>

\$75 Marcus Miller Concert + Taste of Jazz - <https://awc.culturaldistrict.org/production/59363/taste-of-jazz-party>

\$175 VIP Taste of Jazz Experience + Marcus Miller Concert - <https://awc.culturaldistrict.org/production/59363/taste-of-jazz-party>

\$500 All-Access Festival Pass - <http://pittsburghjazzfest.org/support/jazzlive-friends/>

For additional August Wilson Center events, please visit: http://aaccawc.org/events/list/?tribe_paged=2&tribe_event_display=list.

ABOUT THE AUGUST WILSON CENTER

The August Wilson Center is a venue dedicated to the presentation of art and culture reflective of African-Americans and the African Diaspora. It is located in Pittsburgh's Cultural District at 980 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15222. The "Center" offers multiple exhibition galleries, a 492-seat theater for performances, and spaces for classes, lectures and community events. It was designed by African American architect, Alison Williams.

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