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The **Matheny Music** Newsletter

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PERFORMANCES,
NEWS
AND REVIEWS
OF FLUGELHORNIST-COMPOSER
DMITRI MATHENY

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A Banner Year!

▶ *'97 SF Shows Set Record Attendance*

▶ *'98 Tix Now Available*

▲ **Florence Gould Theatre:** Mark Taylor & Dmitri Matheny; Roger Hart & Catherine Conway

◀ **Yoshi's Jack London Square:** John Handy, Bill Douglass, Dmitri Matheny, Peter Apfelbaum, Larry Coryell

▼ **San Francisco Jazz Festival:** Bill Douglass; Dmitri Matheny

home season

The Dmitri Matheny Group performs dozens of concerts each year on tour, but stages some of its most exciting programs for San Francisco Bay Area audiences.

The DMG has been hailed in the *San Francisco Chronicle* as "one of the most inventive ensembles in jazz today." All three of the Group's major '97 Home Season concerts — at the Florence Gould Theatre, the new Yoshi's at Jack London Square, and the 15th Annual San Francisco Jazz Festival — were sold-out successes, setting record attendance figures.

GALA CD RELEASE CELEBRATION

Sparkling champagne, sensual tango dancers, and the exotic sounds of jazz accordion and french horn mesmerized the audience at Dmitri Matheny's Gala CD Release Celebration. Presented by BlueVision at the California Palace of the Legion of Honor's elegant Florence Gould Theatre, the sold-out concert was a dramatic launch for Matheny's new lunar-inspired recording, *Penumbra — The Moon Sessions*.

YOSHI'S AT JACK LONDON SQUARE

Special guests John Handy, Peter Apfelbaum and Larry Coryell joined the Group for an appearance at the new Yoshi's at Jack London Square in Oakland. Billed as Dmitri Matheny & Friends, the all-star show benefitted the Young Musicians Program, celebrating 30 years of providing gifted, low-income students with full scholarships for professional musical training.

SAN FRANCISCO JAZZ FESTIVAL

The 15th Annual San Francisco Jazz Festival — dubbed "the crown jewel among American jazz festivals" by the *Chicago Tribune* — honored legendary composer Billy Strayhorn and his timeless music with a double-bill of Dmitri Matheny & Bill Douglass with the Danilo Perez Trio. The Strayhorn concert was one of the first events to sell-out in the two-week Festival, which

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signature series

Twilight World

▶ *80th Birthday Tribute to Marian McPartland*

On Saturday, March 20, flugelhornist Dmitri Matheny joins with pianist Darrell Grant and bassist Bill Douglass in a recital paying tribute to jazz pianist, composer, and radio personality Marian McPartland. "I met Marian last fall in New York," beams Matheny. "I told her how much I loved her composition 'Twilight World,' and she generously encouraged me to perform or record it. Darrell has been on her show *Piano Jazz* a couple of times, and Bill works regularly in the Marian McPartland Trio. All of us are looking forward to spending an afternoon with her magical music."

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recording

Penumbra: The Moon Sessions

▶ *Now in Second Pressing*

Matheny's new album *Penumbra — The Moon Sessions* is already in its second pressing, and is a certified hit at jazz radio. Produced by the legendary record executive Orrin Keepnews, *Penumbra* features Matheny and company grooving through a collection of music inspired by the Moon, including both original material and arrangements of tunes by Lee Morgan, Tom Harrell, and Neil Young. Immediately upon the CD's release, it was embraced by the media, receiving ★★★ 1/2 (out of 4) in *Downbeat*, selection as a "Bay City Best" in the *San Francisco Examiner Magazine*, praise as "one

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also included concerts by Sonny Rollins, Joshua Redman, Nancy Wilson, Joe Williams, Cassandra Wilson, Elvin Jones and dozens of other world-class jazz artists.

REDWOOD ROOM RESIDENCY

The '97 Home Season also included a four-month residency at the elegant Redwood Room of the Clift Hotel. The Redwood Room, named for its walls carved from a single 2,000 year-old tree, was hailed as "the best hotel bar in the country" by *Conde Nast Traveler*.

Featured guest artists who appeared with Matheny and company at the Redwood Room include guitarists Brad Buethe, Mimi Fox and John Schott; saxophonists Dave Ellis and Alex Murzyn; bassists Ruth Davies, Peter Barshay, Derek Jones, Robb Fisher and Jon Evans; drummer Bud Spangler; trumpeter Rebecca Coupe Franks; vocalists Denise Perrier, Mary Stallings, Madeline Eastman, Ann Dyer, Clairdee, Shanna Carlson, Paula West, Ledisi, and Lavay Smith; and pianists Darrell Grant, Spencer Allen, Mark Little, Kevin Gibbs, Larry Dunlap, Bill Bell, Dick Conte, Smith Dobson, Susan Muscarella, Michael Udelson and Ken Muir.

ORDER 1998 TICKETS NOW

The 1998 Dmitri Matheny Group Home Season will take place in March, 1998 at venues throughout the San Francisco Bay Area. You can purchase single tickets now by using the enclosed order form, or subscribe to the entire season by becoming a member of the Jazz Ambassadors. For more information on the Home Season call Matheny Music at 510/428-2328.

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Discography

Dmitri Matheny
Penumbra — The Moon Sessions (Leader, 1997)

Dmitri Matheny
Red Reflections (Leader, 1995)

Art Farmer
Live at Stanford Jazz Workshop
(Executive Producer, 1997)

SFMOMA
Voices & Images of California Art CD-ROM (Composer, 1997)

Ian Dogole
Ionospheres (Sideman, 1997)

Daria
Just the Beginning (Sideman, 1997)

Yehudit
(Sideman, 1997)

Various
SF Jazz Festival CD Sampler Volume I
(Associate Producer, 1996)

Peron/Spangler
Dedication (Executive Producer, 1996)

Eddie Marshall
San Francisco Nighthawks
(Executive Producer, 1996)

Dave Ellis
Raven (Executive Producer, 1996)

Various
BlueVision, the Solo Series (Sideman, 1996)

Ken Schaphorst Big Band
Making Lunch
(Sideman, 1989)

On the Road Again

▶ *U.S. Tour Launches Lunar CD*

on tour

Building on the success of his *Red Reflections* tour to Carnegie Hall and Eastern Europe, Dmitri Matheny is on the road again with performances throughout the United States.

The *Penumbra* tour began in Summer, 1997 and continues through Summer, 1998 with concert, nightclub and Festival appearances in 40 U.S. Cities including New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Chicago, Atlanta, Los Angeles, Portland, Monterey, Nevada City, Carmel, Pacifica, Oakland, Big Sur, San Francisco, Santa Cruz, Las Vegas, San Jose, Tucson, Albuquerque, Aspen, Tampa and Seattle.

"Have horn, will travel!" Matheny enthuses. "I really enjoy working with all the diverse and talented musicians in each region of the country and hearing their interpretations of my music." Over the course of the tour, Matheny shares the stage with jazz french horn player Mark Taylor; accordion players Rob Burger and Rick Colligan; saxophonists Peter Apfelbaum, John Handy, Dave Ellis, Craig Handy, and Rob Scheps; pianists Jonny King, Bob Fox, Jeff Haskell, Darrell Grant and Randy Porter; guitarists John Heller, Larry Coryell and Brad Buethe; bassists Bill Douglass, Larry Grenadier, David Parlato, Peter Barshay, John Shifflet and Tom Wakeling; and percussionists Jason Lewis, Tony Reedus, John Trentacosta, Ian Dogole and Tim Rap.

To receive information about upcoming appearances by the Dmitri Matheny Group in your area, call Matheny Music at 510/428-2328.

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Since May 1997, Matheny Music Consulting has been working with American Airlines to enhance its promotional partnerships with Northern California community organizations, particularly in the area of arts and culture.

Nick Hafner, Managing Director of American Airlines Passenger Sales in Northern California, remarks, "The San Francisco Bay Area is one of the great cultural destinations in the world. Through strategic partnerships with select organizations, American Airlines is strengthening this vibrant cultural landscape while reinforcing our own profile as a premier airline."

Formerly a consultant with the National Jazz Service Organization (Washington, DC), Dmitri Matheny now conducts private consultations in the areas of career development (for jazz artists), as well as sponsorship and strategic planning (for businesses and arts organizations). To schedule a consultation or for more information call Matheny Music at 510/428-2328.

Twilight World

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▲ **Marian McPartland**

Each year Matheny Music presents an educational concert highlighting the musical contributions of one exceptional artist to the world of jazz. Called the Signature Series, these events add the unique musical "signature" of a jazz legend to the sound of the Dmitri Matheny Group. Past Signature Series concerts have featured the music of Horace Silver, Thelonious Monk, and Billy Strayhorn.

To order tickets to *Twilight World — 80th Birthday Tribute to Marian McPartland,* use the enclosed order form or call Matheny Music at 510/428-2328.

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MICHAEL PIAZZA

▲ Producer **Orrin Keepnews**

of the most gorgeous mainstream jazz recordings of the year" in the *San Francisco Bay Guardian* and a ranking in the Top 25 on the national Gavin jazz radio chart.

Penumbra — The Moon Sessions is Matheny's second recording for Monarch Records. His debut CD, *Red Reflections*, was hailed by critics in *JazzIz Magazine* as one of the Top 10 Recordings of 1995. You can order both recordings now by using the attached order form or by calling Matheny Music at 510/428-2328.

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FROM THE DESK OF
DR. HERB WONG

Dear Jazz Fan,

Join me in becoming a Member of the Jazz Ambassadors — Friends of Matheny Music.

More than a fan club, the Jazz Ambassadors are on the inside track for news and information about the Dmitri Matheny Group. As a Jazz Ambassador, you'll be the very first to receive concert schedules as well as free premiums year-round, including CDs, T-shirts, party invitations, concert tickets, and other gifts.

You'll be part of a dedicated group of patrons whose annual membership dues support Matheny Music's important work in jazz education and composition, including the Signature Series (educational concerts honoring jazz legends), an annual premiere of new work, and free, year-round programs for young people in the schools.

As the Past-President of the International Association of Jazz Educators, I'm warmly gratified that Dmitri and the band have made jazz education a prominent and vital part of their busy touring season. As a veteran jazz media producer, author and historian, I'm particularly proud that this world-class group of artists is based right here in my home, the San Francisco Bay Area.

The Jazz Ambassadors is your ticket to ensuring the future of jazz. I encourage you to join!

Sincerely,

Dr. Herb Wong

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COMPACT DISC

New! *Penumbra*

"One of the most gorgeous jazz recordings of the year." — *San Francisco Bay Guardian*

COMPACT DISC

Red Reflections

"*Red Reflections* sounds so good I wish I'd made it myself." — Art Farmer

CD-ROM

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January 14 & 27	**SAN FRANCISCO, CA** San Francisco Symphony "New Ears" Family Concert
February 6	**LODI, CA** Nighttime Live Concert Series
February 8-14	**POLAND** 5-City Tour
February 23-27	**BARBADOS, WEST INDIES** Composition Retreat
March	**SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA** Home Season, Various Venues
May 17	**SANTA CRUZ, CA** Santa Cruz Jazz Festival
April 1	**SAN JOSE, CA** San Jose Museum of Art
April 17-19	**BIG SUR, CA** Big Sur Jazz Fest World Premiere of *Starscape Trilogy*
June	**WESTERN STATES** Cities and Venues TBA
July 1-4	**PORTLAND, OR** Jazz de Opus and other venues

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