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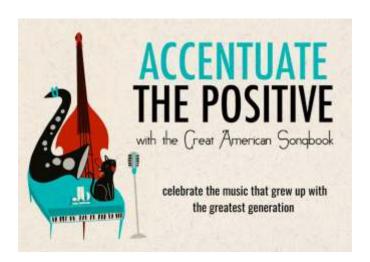
## Jazz at the Ballroom presents

## **ACCENTUATE THE POSITIVE**

Sharing the music that grew up with the greatest generation

Thursday, September 15, 2022 at 8 PM

at the Lobero Theatre in Santa Barbara



Santa Barbara, CA, August 15, 2022 – JAZZ AT THE BALLROOM (JATB) comes to Lobero Theatre in Santa Barbara to present "Accentuate the Positive," a performance of the unforgettable music from the Great American Songbook on Thursday, September 15 at 8:00PM.

Taking inspiration from Bing Crosby's 1944 hit song, "Accentuate the Positive," the performance celebrates the music that was the unofficial catalogue of tunes that kept Americans company through the highs and lows of the 1920s–1940s. Host and comedian, **Dan Cronin**, (The Tonight Show with Conan O'Brien) shares the stage with bandleader **Konrad Paszkduzki** on piano, as well as **Niki Haris** ("The Big Voice" behind Madonna), **Tony Desare** (Downbeat's Rising Star Male Vocalist, Carnegie Hall, Birdland), **Champian Fulton**, (Jazz at Lincoln Center, Ronnie

Scotts London), **Lia Booth** (Monterey Jazz Festival, Vibrato Grill Jazz), and LA's young, hip **Lineage Trio** (Seth McFarlane, Michael Bublé, Jeff Goldblum). Tickets are \$45-\$100, with premium tickets including a post-show meet & greet wine reception with the artists. Purchase tickets at www.atpshow.org

**JAZZ AT THE BALLROOM** is a Bay Area-based nonprofit committed to keeping swinging, classic jazz thriving, sharing the American Songbook with the greater public, and providing audiences with one-of-a-kind performances. Beyond their concerts, the organization works to introduce, teach, and explore this American art form through workshops, public events, and performances at schools, hospitals, and senior living communities. Through these efforts, they keep the unforgettable music alive in the community and foster a love of music in future generations.

**DAN CRONIN** has been a featured stand-up and performer on NBC's "Late Night with Conan O'Brien" as well as Comedy Central's "Premium Blend." He has performed at countless comedy clubs in Los Angeles and New York, as well as at the Just for Laughs Festival in Chicago. He also won an Emmy Award and most recently, a Writer's Guild Award, for his work as a longtime staff writer for both "Late Night" and "Conan" on TBS. You can also hear him as a recurring character, Terry Melon, in the Southern California-set cult favorite podcast, "Valley Heat."

**KONRAD PASZKUDZKI**, the concert's pianist and bandleader, serves as Artistic Director of Jazz at the Ballroom. Originally from Perth, Australia, Konrad came to the U.S. for grad school at Miami's Frost School of Music and moved to New York to lead the house trio at 54 Below. In 2013, Konrad joined the John Pizzarelli Quartet. His 1000+ performances include such venues as New York's Café Carlyle, Bemelmans, Birdland, and Dizzy's; DC's Blues Alley, Montreal Jazz Festival, and LA's Walt Disney Concert Hall.

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