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Jazz at the Lobero Ovation Series presents

Tierney Sutton

Paris Sessions Trio and Celebrating 30 years of The Tierney Sutton Band

Friday, May 12, 2023 at 7:30 PM

Santa Barbara, CA, April 19, 2023 – Jazz at the Lobero Ovation Series presents Tierney Sutton – Paris Sessions Trio and Celebrating 30 years of The Tierney Sutton Band on Friday, May 12, 2023 at 7:30 PM. The 9-time GRAMMY® nominated jazz vocalist has received a “Best Jazz Vocal Album” GRAMMY® nod for every project she has released in the last decade. Known for her impeccable voice and imaginative treatments of The Great American Songbook, Sutton is heralded for her abilities as both a jazz storyteller and her ability to use her voice as an instrument.

"A serious jazz artist who takes the whole enterprise to another level." – *The New York Times*

Since 1993, Sutton has fronted “The Tierney Sutton Band,” which features instrumental virtuosos Christian Jacob, Trey Henry, Kevin Axt, and Ray Brinker. On stage, the band exhibits an “almost unearthly” connection, a tribute to having the same world-class personnel for over 20 years – a virtually unheard-of accomplishment in today’s music business. Incorporated partners, all decisions, musical or business, are made by the band as a unit. In 2011, they received a GRAMMY® nomination for their collaborative arranging, the only band ever to receive this honor.

Over the years, her recordings have addressed themes such as materialism (*Desire* 2009), the pursuit of happiness (*On The Other Side* 2007), as well as paying tribute to the music of Bill Evans (*Blue In Green* 2002), Frank Sinatra (*Dancing In The Dark* 2004), and pop icon Sting (*The Sting Variations* 2016). Her 2013 Joni Mitchell tribute, *After Blue*, featured keyboardist Larry Goldings, drummer Peter Erskine, jazz vocal legend Al Jarreau, and NEA Jazz Master flautist Hubert Laws.

On 2014’s GRAMMY® nominated *Paris Sessions*, Tierney forged an indelible chemistry with classically-trained Parisian guitarist-arranger Serge Merlaud. Now husband and wife, the two take their musical connection to even deeper levels on *Paris Sessions 2*, released last May. Bassist Kevin Axt, a member of the Tierney Sutton Band since 2005 and a key component of the first *Paris Sessions*, is back on board for *Paris Sessions 2*, providing resounding bass lines and all-important chordal work behind Merlaud’s lyrical guitar solos. Legendary flutist Hubert Laws, who recorded remotely from his home studio, blends beautifully with Sutton’s crystalline voice on five songs. The results are as entrancing as they are invigorating.

Tickets for Tierney Sutton – Paris Sessions Trio and Celebrating 30 years of The Tierney Sutton Band are on sale now at Lobero.org and at the Lobero Box Office 805.963.0761. VIP tickets are \$106 (*VIP ticket includes premier seating*)

and a pre-show reception with drinks and hors d'oeuvres, 1 hour prior to curtain), Section A tickets are \$56, and Section B tickets are \$46. (Ticket prices include a per ticket Lobero Facility Fee; other fees may also apply.)

Upcoming Lobero LIVE Events:

May 2023

Lobero LIVE presents Lobero Theatre Chamber Music Project on Friday, May 5, and Saturday, May 6, at 7 PM at the Lobero Theatre, and on Sunday, May 7, at 4 PM at Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History (Fleischman Auditorium). Eight classical music luminaries from around the world perform best-regarded chamber works for strings and piano – masterpieces by Dvořák, Bruckner, Debussy, Ravel, Fauré, Mozart and Mendelssohn. Artfully curated by renowned music director/violist Heiichiro Ohyama and internationally celebrated violinist Benjamin Beilman, the chamber ensemble also includes classical music stars Lucille Chung (piano), Erin Keefe (violin), Masumi Per Rostad (viola), Robert deMaine (cello), Mayuko Ishigami (violin) and Christine J. Lee (cello). <https://www.lobero.org/events/lobero-theatre-chamber-music-project-2023/>

Lobero LIVE presents Rodney Crowell: The Chicago Sessions Tour with special guests Rob Ickes and Trey Hensley on Tuesday, May 16, at 7:30 PM. With 15 number one hits and tracks recorded by everyone from Emmylou Harris and Johnny Cash to Waylon Jennings and Willie Nelson, it would be difficult to overstate Crowell's impact on roots music over the past five decades. The two-time GRAMMY® winner has been inducted into the Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame, received the Lifetime Achievement Award in Songwriting from the Americana Music Association, was honored with ASCAP's prestigious Founder's Award, and was presented with the Academy of Country Music's Poet's Award. <https://www.lobero.org/events/an-evening-with-rodney-crowell/>

Lobero LIVE presents Mighty Poplar on Wednesday, May 17, at 7:30 PM. Regarded as some of the finest players of their generation, Mighty Poplar features Andrew Marlin (Watchhouse), Noam Pikelnny and Chris Eldridge (Punch Brothers), and Greg Garrison (Leftover Salmon). The true spirit of bluegrass infuses their self-titled debut album, a new all-star roots project on Free Dirt Records. The group has captured the fierce and playful energy of an all-night jam between old friends who just happen to be grandmasters of the music. <https://www.lobero.org/events/mighty-poplar/>

EARL MINNIS PRESENTS a Free Community Block Party Event, in honor of the Lobero's 150th Ovation Celebration, featuring Chubby Checker & The Wildcats, with special guests Glen Phillips, Spencer The Gardener, and La Boheme Dancers performing on the Lobero's esplanade on Saturday, May 20, 3 PM – 8 PM. Come twist the night away! For more information, visit <https://www.lobero.org/events/chubby-checker/>

July 2023

EARL MINNIS PRESENTS and Lobero LIVE present An Evening with Graham Nash on Saturday, July 15, at 7:30 PM and Sunday, July 16, 2023 at 7 PM. As a founding member of both the Hollies and Crosby, Stills and Nash, the legendary artist has seen rock history unfold at some of its seminal moments. The extraordinary GRAMMY® Award-winning renaissance artist is a two-time Rock 'N Roll Hall of Fame inductee and was inducted twice into the Songwriters Hall of Fame – for his work with CSN and his work as a solo artist. Nash will be joined on stage by his longtime musical partners, Shane Fontayne (guitar and vocals) and Todd Caldwell (keyboards and vocals), performing favorites from across his sixty-year career. <https://www.lobero.org/events/graham-nash/>

Lobero LIVE presents The Jerry Douglas Band, July 20, at 7:30 PM. The band, led by 14-time GRAMMY® Award winner Jerry Douglas, has been forging new paths into the musical horizon since 2017, with deep roots in bluegrass and folk that spreads out into the Americana and jazz landscapes. They perform at some of the top U.S. festivals, such as Telluride Bluegrass Festival, Pilgrimage Music Festival, Big Ears Festival, and numerous others. In addition to Douglas, band members include Daniel Kimbro (bass), Christian Sedelmyer (fiddle), and Mike Seal (guitar). <https://www.lobero.org/events/jerry-douglas-band-2/>

Lobero LIVE presents An Evening with the Robert Cray Band on Saturday, July 29, at 7:30 PM. Over the past four decades, Cray has created a distinctive sound that rises from American roots, blues, soul, R&B and arrives today both fresh and familiar. Five GRAMMY® wins and 20 acclaimed studio and live albums punctuate the Blues Hall of Famer's career. Robert's band features Richard Cousins (bass), Dover Weinberg (keyboards), Terence F. Clark (drums), and Steve Jordan (drums, percussion). <https://www.lobero.org/events/robert-cray-band-2/>

August 2023

Celebrating the Lobero's historic 150th Anniversary, EARL MINNIS PRESENTS Patti Smith Trio on Wednesday, August 9, at 8 PM – a remarkable fundraising concert benefitting the Lobero Theatre, Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (CADA), Teddy Bear Cancer Foundation, and Bob Dylan Center. Smith – the punk poet laureate who ranks among the most provocative, influential rock & rollers of all time – was named a Commander of the *Ordre des Arts et des Lettres* by the French Ministry of Culture, inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, received a Polar Music Prize, and was included in *Rolling Stone* magazine's 100 Greatest Artists of All Time. <https://www.lobero.org/events/patti-smith-trio/>

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