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Jazz at the Lobero presents

Preservation Hall Jazz Band

Thursday, February 19, 2026 at 7:30 PM

*Santa Barbara, CA, January 21, 2026 – Jazz at the Lobero presents **Preservation Hall Jazz Band on Thursday, February 19, 2026 at 7:30 PM**.* At a moment when musical streams are crossing with unprecedented frequency, it's crucial to remember that throughout its history, New Orleans has been the point at which sounds and cultures from around the world converge, mingle, and resurface, transformed by the Crescent City's inimitable spirit and *joie de vivre*. Nowhere is that idea more vividly embodied than in the Preservation Hall Jazz Band, which has held the torch of New Orleans music aloft for more than 60 years – all the while carrying it enthusiastically forward as a reminder that the history they were founded to preserve is a vibrantly living history. A Brubeck Circle show.

"The past and promise of American Music ..." – Rolling Stone Magazine

"Return to the roots of jazz, America's great indigenous art form, and don't miss an opportunity for a performance by the 'best jazz band in the land.'" – San Francisco Examiner

Founded in New Orleans by tuba player Allan Jaffe in the early 60s, PHJB derives its name from Preservation Hall in the French Quarter. The band has toured with singer Josh Groban and has shared the stage with numerous renowned musicians, such as Stevie Wonder, Elvis Costello, The Grateful Dead, and countless others. Today, it is led by Allan's son, Ben Jaffe. While traditional New Orleans jazz repertoire remains their core focus, they've transformed into a vibrantly cross-pollinated ambassador for New Orleans – exploring original compositions, Afro-Cuban rhythms, R&B influences, and collaborating with artists beyond the jazz spectrum.

Their mission remains focused on initiating audiences into the ineffable, almost religious experience of channeling their ancestors through the music and culture they've inherited from them. Band members include **Ben Jaffe** (upright bass, tuba), **Branden Lewis** (trumpet, vocals), **Clint Mayden** (saxophone, vocals), **Revon Andrews** (trombone, vocals), **Kyle Roussel** (piano), **Jafet Perez** (bass, drums). Preservation Hall Jazz Band has featured a long cadre of legendary musicians over the years and issued several albums – all of which showcase the group's rootsy, soulful brand of traditional New Orleans jazz.

Tickets for **Preservation Hall Jazz Band** are now on sale now at Lobero.org and at the Lobero Box Office 805.963.0761. \$107 - Premium Seating (*Premium ticket includes preferred seating location and an exclusive pre-show reception in the Lobero Courtyard with complimentary drinks and light bites, beginning an hour prior to showtime.*) \$62 - Section A, \$52 - Section B. *Ticket prices include a per ticket Lobero Facility Fee; other fees may also apply.*

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UP NEXT FROM LOBERO LIVE:

JANUARY 2026

EARL MINNIS PRESENTS and Lobero Theatre Foundation presents **Billy F Gibbons and the BFG Band on Saturday, January 24, 2026 at 7:30 PM**. Billy F Gibbons is widely regarded as one of the world's finest guitarists working in the blues-rock idiom. His band features BFG, best known as the centerpiece of ZZ Top, the band's cornerstone backbeat Chris "Whipper" Layton on drums, and the shining light of the Texas Blues scene Mike "The Drifter" Flanigin on the Hammond B3 organ. <https://www.lobero.org/events/billy-gibbons/>

Lobero LIVE presents **Matteo Mancuso on Tuesday, January 27, 2026 at 7:30 PM**. Mancuso's unique guitar technique has caused astonishment with its clarity and precision, as has his capacity to traverse different musical genres with total ease. While he may not use a guitar pick, Matteo's music has certainly picked up the attention of music enthusiasts worldwide, garnering millions of views on YouTube. <https://www.lobero.org/events/matteo-mancuso/>

Jazz at the Lobero presents **Poncho Sanchez and his Latin Jazz Band on Saturday, January 31, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** The GRAMMY® Award-winning bandleader, conguero, and percussionist is among the most influential percussionists in jazz, who's stirred up a fiery stew of straightahead jazz, gritty soul music, and infectious melodies and rhythms for more than four decades. A Brubeck Circle show. <https://www.lobero.org/events/poncho-sanchez-2026/>

FEBRUARY 2026

EARL MINNIS PRESENTS and Lobero Theatre Foundation present **Don McLean on Friday, February 6, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** Known as the "American Troubadour," singer-songwriter Don McLean achieved international fame with hits like "American Pie," "Vincent," and "Castles in the Air." He received the BBC Lifetime Achievement Award, was inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame, and has released more than 20 studio albums since his debut in 1970. <https://www.lobero.org/events/don-mclean/>

Lobero LIVE presents **Nick Offerman: Big Woodchuck An Evening of Comedy with Woodworking and Bookish Mirth on Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** Offerman, even more hirsute than last time, is back to remind the fans of sawdust what a living, breathing mammal, unsullied by AI, looks like. With songs and notions inspired by his newest book, *Little Woodchucks*, Nick – with support from woodworker and co-author Lee Buchanan – might just inspire you to get busy making things with your own hands, which is guaranteed to get you kissed. Especially if what you make is sausage rolls. "Canoes are sexy AF, especially when you make 'em out of wood." – Nina Simone, probably. <https://www.lobero.org/events/nick-offerman/>

Lobero LIVE presents **The Wailin' Jennys on Thurs, February 12, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** Nicky Mehta, Ruth Moody and Heather Masse — three distinct voices that together make an achingly perfect vocal sound. The group has grown over the years into one of today's most beloved international folk acts. Together, they continue to create some of the most exciting music on the folk-roots scene, stepping up their musical game with each critically lauded recording, and thrilling audiences with their renowned live performances. <https://www.lobero.org/events/the-wailin-jennys-2/>

EARL MINNIS PRESENTS presents **Suzanne Vega - Flying with Angels on Saturday, February 14, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** Vega will perform a career-spanning show including favorites like "Tom's Diner," "Luka," "Marlene on the Wall," and many more, plus songs from her latest album, *Flying with Angels*, which was released in May 2025 to critical acclaim. She will be joined on stage by her longtime guitarist, Gerry Leonard (of David Bowie fame), and cellist Stephanie Winters. A Brubeck Circle show. <https://www.lobero.org/events/suzanne-vega-2/>

Lobero LIVE presents **An Evening with Leo Kottke on Sunday, February 15, 2026 at 7 PM.** The famed solo acoustic guitarist is known for a fingerpicking style that draws on blues, jazz, and folk music, and for syncopated, polyphonic melodies. Now 80-years-young, Kottke has recorded over 30 albums that showcase his barnstorming fretwork and quirky songwriting. The two-time GRAMMY® nominee is a master of the guitar, whose playing has influenced generations of musicians and listeners. <https://www.lobero.org/events/leo-kottke-3/>

MARCH 2026

Jazz at the Lobero presents **Madeleine Peyroux, with special guest Jon Muq, on Tuesday, March 3, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** Madeleine is the proud curator of nine beguiling albums and countless accolades. With her delicately sultry compositions and renditions, the accomplished songstress has earned her spot amongst jazz/blues divas such as Billie Holiday and Ella Fitzgerald. A Brubeck Circle show. <https://www.lobero.org/events/madeleine-peyroux-2/>

Lobero LIVE presents **An Evening with Steep Canyon Rangers on Friday, March 6, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** The three-time GRAMMY® nominees have released 14 studio albums, three collaborative albums with actor and banjoist Steve Martin, been inducted into the North Carolina Music Hall of Fame, and appeared on some of music's biggest stages. With the band's last few albums, they have gained recognition from well beyond the world of bluegrass,

earning a reputation as some of the most influential songwriters in Americana today. A Brubeck Circle show.
<https://www.lobero.org/events/steep-canyon-rangers/>

EARL MINNIS PRESENTS and Lobero Theatre Foundation present **Booker T. Jones on Saturday, March 28, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** Best known as the frontman of the band Booker T. & the M.G.'s, Jones is a Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductee, Musicians Hall of Fame inductee, GRAMMY® Lifetime Achievement Award recipient, and arguably the most famous Hammond B3 player in history. <https://www.lobero.org/events/booker-t-jones/>

Lobero LIVE presents **Keb' Mo', on Monday, March 30, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** With five GRAMMYS®, 14 Blues Foundation Awards, and a groundbreaking career spanning nearly 50 years under his belt, Keb' Mo' stands as one of the most accomplished and respected artists working in contemporary roots music today. The artist has topped the Billboard Blues Chart seven times, performed everywhere from Carnegie Hall to The White House, collaborated with music luminaries, earned the Americana Music Association's 2021 Award for Lifetime Achievement in Performance, and so much more. A Brubeck Circle show. <https://www.lobero.org/events/keb-mo-2026/>

APRIL 2026

Lobero LIVE presents **Donavon Frankenreiter – Ask Me Anything Tour on Thursday, April 2, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** This seated interactive concert experience features Donovon's unique blend of laid-back grooves, philosophical lyrics and soulful delivery – plus stories he's never told before, the opportunity to ask questions, come up on stage to jam, request songs, and more. <https://www.lobero.org/events/donavon-frankenreiter/>

EARL MINNIS PRESENTS and Lobero Theatre Foundation present **Richard Thompson with Zara Phillips, on Saturday, April 4, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** The pioneering British Folk-Rock musician's genre defying mastery of both acoustic and electric guitar, along with engaging energy and onstage wit, continue to earn him new fans and a place as one of the most distinctive virtuosos and writers in Folk Rock history. He'll be touring with his wife, Zara Phillips, a singer/songwriter, actor, author, and activist. <https://www.lobero.org/events/richard-thompson-3/>

Jazz at the Lobero presents **Gerald Clayton Trio on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** The six-time GRAMMY®-nominated pianist, composer, and band leader earned recent Recording Academy recognition for *Happening: Live at the Village Vanguard*, his debut release on Blue Note Records. Collaborating over the years with numerous distinctive artists, Clayton currently serves as Director of Next Generation Jazz Orchestra, following service as Musical Director for Monterey Jazz Festival On Tour. A Brubeck Circle show.
<https://www.lobero.org/events/gerald-clayton-trio/>

Lobero LIVE presents **Nerf Herder – 30 Years of Golfshirt, with special guests SUMMERCAMP and Ridel High on Saturday, April 18, 2026 at 7 PM.** The band celebrates the 30th anniversary of their breakout album, *Nerf Herder*, rocking all tracks – plus, beloved fan favorites from their multi-album catalog. SUMMERCAMP and Ridel High will be on hand to rep the remarkable cohort of musicians from Santa Barbara's vibrant '90s music scene. Culinary Sponsor: El Zarape. <https://www.lobero.org/events/nerf-herder/>

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