



JAZZ AT THE LOBERO

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Rachael & Vilray

with special guest Taylor Ashton

Friday, November 20, 2026 at 7:30 PM

Santa Barbara, CA, October 20, 2026 – Jazz at the Lobero presents **Rachael & Vilray, with special guest Taylor Ashton, on Friday, November 20, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** Step into the enchanting world of Rachael & Vilray, where vintage-inspired pop, jazz, and theatrical storytelling come alive with sparkling harmonies and irresistible charm. Featuring Rachael Price of Lake Street Dive, and songwriter/guitarist Vilray, this captivating Brooklyn-based duo delivers an unforgettable evening of wit, romance, and timeless musical elegance.

Since their formation in 2015, the Brooklyn-based duo has achieved a certain timeless quality with their singular take on traditional pop. Over the years, their configuration has ranged from an intimate duo to the octet heard on their third album, *West of Broadway*. No matter the set-up on stage, Rachael and Vilray sing right to each other, tell stories about how these original songs came to be, and relate them to the many show tunes and jazz standards they both love.

Though rooted in the language of an earlier age, their songs transcend nostalgia with wit and a flair for the theatrical. On their latest album, Rachael and Vilray evolve their music's previous dreaminess to achieve a refreshing angularity built on left-of-center instrumentation (e.g., vibraphone and alto saxophone coasting above the moody strains of baritone sax and trombone). Produced by Dan Knobler (Allison Russell, Bahamas), *West of Broadway* unfolds in a series of sharply drawn vignettes inspired by a recent fascination with classic musicals—bringing their luminous vocals to offbeat tales of love and heartache along city streets.

Taylor Ashton is a shape-shifting songwriter with the heart of a novelist and the timing of a stand-up comic. An inventive clawhammer banjo and guitar player with a distinctive warm baritone voice, his songs are intricately crafted stories and meditations on love, life, and memory. Whether solo, trio, or with a six-piece band, his live shows unfold like a play: vulnerable, funny, and slyly profound. Ashton's performances of his original songs have been featured everywhere from *The Tonight Show with Jimmy Fallon* to the *New York Times*, and he has established himself as a staple of Brooklyn's quirky folk scene.

Tickets for **Rachael & Vilray, with special guest Taylor Ashton** are on sale now at [Lobero.org](https://lobero.org) and at the Lobero Box Office 805.963.0761. \$100 - 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*), \$65 - Section A, \$55 - Section B. (*Ticket prices include a per ticket Lobero Facility Fee; other fees may also apply.*) A Brubeck Circle show.

UP NEXT FROM LOBERO LIVE:

OCTOBER 2026

Lobero LIVE presents **Sarah Jarosz: 10 Years of Undercurrent, with special guest Sean Watkins, on Wednesday, October 21, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** The six-time GRAMMY® Award winning singer, songwriter and multi-instrumentalist has released seven solo albums and two albums with I'm With Her, her band with Sara Watkins and Aoife O'Donovan. In addition to her multiple GRAMMY®, Americana Music Association, and Folk Alliance awards, her work has received widespread critical praise from publications including *Rolling Stone*, *The New York Times*, and *USA Today*. Featured Sponsor: *Noozhawk* <https://www.lobero.org/events/sarah-jarosz-4/>

Jazz at the Lobero presents **Julian Lage Quartet feat. John Medeski, Jorge Roeder, Kenny Wollesen on Thursday, October 22, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** In late 2024, prolific guitarist Julian Lage embarked on an intense writing sprint that led to *Scenes from Above*, a new project forged for a special quartet featuring bassist Jorge Roeder, drummer Kenny Wollesen, and keyboardist John Medeski — close collaborators who had never before recorded together. The music emphasizes interaction, restraint, and real-time discovery over virtuoso display. A Brubeck Circle show. <https://www.lobero.org/events/julian-lage/>

Lobero Theatre Foundation presents A Beyond The Stage Campaign Event – **Melissa Etheridge: RISE on Friday, October 23, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** The Academy Award and GRAMMY® Award-winning artist will be performing stripped-down versions of her greatest hits on guitar, harmonica, and piano – allowing her vocal power and storytelling to take center stage. Celebrating the release of her 17th album *Rise* on Sun Records, she will also include many of her new songs during this very special performance. <https://www.lobero.org/events/melissa-etheridge/>

NOVEMBER 2026

Jazz at the Lobero presents **Charles Lloyd Quartet featuring Bill Frisell, Larry Grenadier and Kweku Sumbry on Thursday, November 12, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** Charles Lloyd and Bill Frisell first joined forces in 2013 for a special project in Montreal. Their connection was immediate and the joy of making music together has endured. Over the years that followed, Bill has toured and recorded with Charles in various formations; duo, trio, quartet and quintet. Their recordings together include *I Long to See You*, *Tone Poem*, and *Chapel Trio* on Blue Note Records. For his 21st return to the Lobero, Charles has assembled a dream quartet; along with Bill are renowned bassist, Larry Grenadier and the rising young star on drums, Kweku Sumbry. A Brubeck Circle show. <https://www.lobero.org/events/charles-lloyd/>

Lobero LIVE presents **Choir! Choir! Choir! – Un-Silent Night: An EPIC Holiday Sing-Along on Saturday, November 28, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** “Why see a show when you can BE the show!” Now it’s your turn to SING! This fully interactive evening turns audience members into performers! Dust off that ugly sweater, grab your friends and family, and get ready to feel the glow of togetherness at a holiday sing-along like no other. <https://www.lobero.org/events/choir-choir-choir/>

DECEMBER 2026

Lobero LIVE presents **Demetri Martin: Standup Comedy for Christmas on Wednesday, December 9, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** Celebrate Christmas with one of comedy’s most original voices! The award-winning comedian, writer, actor, and director brings his signature blend of clever observations, absurdist humor, inventive wordplay, and hilarious drawings to the stage. <https://www.lobero.org/events/demetri-martin-2/>

Lobero LIVE presents **Jake Shimabukuro's *Holidays in Hawaii* on Thursday, December 10, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** Jake is a world-renowned ukulele virtuoso whose groundbreaking artistry has redefined the instrument for the 21st century. Hailed as the "Jimi Hendrix of the ukulele," Shimabukuro has captivated audiences across the globe with his masterful technique, innovative spirit, and deeply expressive performances that seamlessly blend elements of jazz, rock, classical, blues, folk, and traditional Hawaiian music. <https://www.lobero.org/events/jake-shimabukuro/>

Lobero LIVE presents **The Milk Carton Kids — *Lost Cause Lover Fool Holiday Tour*, with special guest Vera Sola**, on Friday, December 11, 2026 at 7:30 PM. The four-time GRAMMY® nominated folk duo brings their signature blend of exquisite harmonies, intricate guitar work, and quietly powerful storytelling to the stage. Kenneth Pattengale and Joey Ryan will be highlighting material from their seventh studio album, which explores transformation, memory, love, and the fleeting beauty of everyday moments. <https://www.lobero.org/events/milk-carton-kids-3/>

Jazz at the Lobero presents **Tina Schlieske & Friends – *A Holiday Get Together* on Saturday, December 12, 2026 at 7:30 PM.** Join us for the return of this premier holiday kick off as Tina Schlieske brings her beloved annual show to the historic Lobero Theatre. This stellar celebration features Tina's sister, Laura Schlieske, alongside an exceptional lineup of Minneapolis musicians, bringing together seasonal classics, selected covers, and original songs in one spectacular performance. A Brubeck Circle show. <https://www.lobero.org/events/tina-schlieske/>

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