

## **Fall 2008 Line-up Update**

### **September 5, 2008 – Mel Henderson & Paradigm Shift @ The Clarion Riverside Hotel**

Led by popular Rochester guitarist Mel Henderson, Paradigm Shift (with organist Gerry Youngman and drummer Sean Jefferson) reunites with trombonist Wycliffe Gordon, trumpeter Marcus Printup and saxophonist Gray Mayfield. The house will be jumping as they feature tunes from their recent CD release entitled – “Street Expressionism”.

### **September 12, 2008 – Heavyweight Rematch: Mulgrew Miller vs. Johnny O’Neal @ The Hyatt Regency Hotel**

With their first piano face-off judged a draw, Mulgrew Miller and Johnny O’Neal are certain to elevate their virtuosic playing to levels where only the legends perform. Bassist Ivan Taylor and drummer Rodney Green will provide the rhythm foundation for this much anticipated rematch.

### **October 3, 2008 – Ulysses Owens & The USO Project @ The Clarion Riverside Hotel**

Drummer Ulysses Owens Jr. leads a quintet of emerging stars including vocalist Alicia Olatuja, pianist Sullivan Fortner, saxophonist Tim Green and bassist Ben Williams. Owens’ USO Project with Lizz Wright, Cyrus Chestnut and Christian McBride is being rescheduled to Spring 2009.

### **October 17, 2008 – Seamus Blake Group @ The Clarion Riverside Hotel**

Seamus Blake returns as group leader after two previous sideman appearances (with Sylvia Cuenca and Helen Sung) during which he affirmed his recognition as one of the finest saxophonists emerging in jazz.

### **”Exodus Weekend” @ The Clarion Riverside Hotel - Oct. 31 & Nov. 1, 2008:**

Prepare for a swinging weekend of music from drummer-leaders Sylvia Cuenca and Jeff “Tain” Watts:

#### **Friday, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> – The Sylvia Cuenca Quartet featuring Joe Locke**

Clark Terry’s hard driving drummer Sylvia Cuenca returns for her third consecutive October engagement leading a quartet that features Rochester’s renowned vibraphonist, Joe Locke.

#### **Saturday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> – Jeff “Tain” Watts & Ebonix**

Critically acclaimed as the foremost percussionist carrying forward the mantle of jazz drumming, “Tain” exhibits explosive power, blinding speed and mastery of complex rhythms and time signatures.

### **Mini-Series - “Latin Heat”:**

#### **December 12, 2008 – Freddy Colon’s Jazz Quartet featuring Candido Camero @ The Clarion Riverside Hotel**

Recently named a National Endowment for the Arts Jazz Master, legendary Cuban-American percussionist Candido Camero joins Rochester’s popular Freddy Colon Jazz Quartet to generate serious Latin-jazz heat.

#### **December 19, 2008 – Susan Pereira & Sabor Brasil @ The Hyatt Regency Hotel**

Led by Susan Pereira’s silky rich vocals and percussive piano playing, Sabor Brasil’s dynamic performances are rooted in hot samba, cool bossa nova, the rhythms of Bahia and modern Brazilian jazz.

#### **January 30, 2009 – The Gabriel Alegria Sextet @ The Clarion Riverside Hotel**

With a fascinating polyrhythmic formula, Gabriel Alegria’s Afro-Peruvian Sextet continues to generate popular responses much like that achieved by Brazilian and Afro-Cuban musicians. This return engagement will keep you warm in January!

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