



The Sixty-first Annual

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Jazz Concert



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The Sixty-first Annual Conference on World Affairs will be held April 6-10, 2009 on the University of Colorado's Boulder campus. One of most popular and cherished events of the CWA is the Annual **Jazz Concert**. This year's bevy of world-class performers will take place on **Tuesday, April 7 at 8pm in Macky Auditorium**. As with all CWA sessions, this event is free and open to the public. Doors will open at 7:30 p.m.

The CWA is excited to bring some Latin flavor to the event this year with Puerto Rican flautist **Nestor Torres**. His production, *This Side of Paradise*, won the Latin Grammy award in the pop instrumental category on September 11, 2001. Torres says "receiving the Latin Grammy on 9/11 gave my music a stronger sense of mission and purpose. Terrorism and violence come from ignorance, anger and hopelessness. Music inspires and empowers; it soothes the human heart and enlightens the spirit. I have made it my prime point to create music and live my life in a way that does just that."

Brazilian guitarist and one of the creators of Bossa Nova, **Oscar Castro-Neves** will be returning to the Conference along with newcomer **Justo Almarino**, Colombian reedman known for his fused Latin, Afro-Cuban, South American, funk and jazz genres.

Newcomer to the Conference, keyboardist **Patrick Leonard**, has a highly decorated background including 15 top-five singles, touring with Michael Jackson and being co-writer and director for Madonna.

Musicians returning to celebrate the CWA's 61st anniversary include New Orleans Jazz Ambassador and featured vocalist **Lillian Boutte**, violinist **Charlie Bisharat**, the world leading tabla player **Rony Barrak**, blues pianist **Henry Butler** and Grammy award-winning composers **Don** and **Dave Grusin**.

The Conference on World Affairs was founded in 1948, originally as a forum on international affairs. It quickly gained fame in its early years with such notable participants as Eleanor Roosevelt, Arthur Miller and Henry Kissinger. The CWA now encompasses music, literature, environment, science, journalism, visual arts, diplomacy, technology, spirituality, film, politics, business, medicine, human rights and recently has brought such names as Joe Biden, Charles Krauthammer, Paul Krugman and Rachel Maddow to Boulder.

Rachel Maddow recalls the Conference as “the antidote to the airless, etherized, surreality of what 'conferences' have become. Arrive cynical and above-it-all —leave with new, real friends and a smarter, humbler, more human take on your work and the world you're changing.”

All Conference on World Affairs sessions are free and open to the public, making the CWA the largest, most accessible event of its kind in the country.

A biographical listing of all Conference on World Affairs participants and a complete schedule of events is online at www.colorado.edu/cwa.

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