



## **JEBA PRESENTS THE 7th ANNUAL**

### ***JAZZIN' ON JEFFERSON***

## **THE EASTSIDE'S LARGEST ARTS, JAZZ, & BLUES FESTIVAL**

**Saturday June 26<sup>th</sup> and Sunday June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

The Jefferson East Business Association (JEBA) is proud to present the seventh annual *Jazzin' on Jefferson*, a music and arts festival celebrating the jazz, blues and cultural heritage of the Jefferson East Business District. This free festival has been expanded to two days on **Saturday June 26<sup>th</sup> and Sunday June 27<sup>th</sup> from noon to 9pm** on a closed-off section of **East Jefferson Avenue between the streets of Chalmers and Alter in Detroit, MI**. Jazzin' on Jefferson 2010 will feature world class jazz, blues, & gospel performances, an artist market, children's area, and outstanding cuisine & shopping.

Headlining this year will be world renowned **Joe Krown Trio!** Featuring Joe Krown on the Hammond B3, Walter "Wolfman" Washington on guitar/vocals and Russell Batiste on drums, this trio has developed a unique sound steeped in the rich musical gumbo of New Orleans. Jan Ramsey of *OffBeat Magazine* declares that this group is "a killer collaboration between three of New Orleans' greatest players!" ***The Joe Krown Trio will take the stage on Saturday June 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:15pm.***

Headlining Sunday will be the **Hot Club of Detroit**. Led by Evan Perri, the fast fingered disciple of Django Reinhardt, the Hot Club offers a fresh take on the tradition of gypsy jazz. ***The Hot Club of Detroit will perform at 7:15pm on Sunday June 27<sup>th</sup>.*** This performance is sponsored by Mack Avenue Records.

Other performers include **the Thorenetta Davis Band, Marion Hayden & the Detroit Legacy Band, Codish & Hughes, RJ Spangler Trio wsg Akunda Hollis, Larry Smith w/ Duncan McMillian Trio, Sky Covington & Trio, and many more!** Sunday will also feature great gospel music!

In addition to great music, other festival features include the **Target Kids Zone** with featuring including arts & crafts, mini-golf, family friendly performances and a book fair. Also for young adults, the **JOJ 5-on-5 Basketball Tournament** will back! Returning this year will be the **Detroit Artist Gallery** showcasing mixed media works from area artists. Jazzin' 2010 will also feature over 30 food & retail vendors with international cuisine and distinctive wares.

**The Historic Jefferson East Business District** is one of a small number of surviving early twentieth-century neighborhood commercial districts within Metro Detroit. By the early 1920's the district had become the center of the area's commercial, social, and cultural life anchored by two big-band era ballrooms: the Vanity and the Monticello. The Jefferson East Business District is also the gateway to the **Jefferson-Chalmers Neighborhood and the Marina District**, Detroit's Riverfront Community with historic homes, canal front, & island living, 4 marinas and over 120 acres of riverfront parks.

Founded in 1992, the mission of the **Jefferson East Business Association (JEBA)** mission is to be a collaborative leader in fostering economic development on Detroit's lower east side by creating an environment that is conducive to business and residential growth and development.

JEBA's economic development activities include small business counseling & support services, real estate development facilitation, façade & tenant improvement grants, historic preservation and commercial tenant attraction/retention programs. Our Business District Services works to create a safe, clean and vibrant business district & neighborhood and seeks to attract more shoppers and investors to the area.

JEBA's target area is bounded by St. Jean to the west, Alter and the Detroit border to the east, Charlevoix to the north, and the Detroit River to the south. The Jefferson East Business District is located along Jefferson Avenue between Conner Avenue and Alter Road.

Come join *Jazzin' on Jefferson*, **Saturday June 26<sup>th</sup>** and **Sunday June 27<sup>th</sup>**, for some of Detroit's best music, food and fun.

Jazzin' on Jefferson is made possible through the generous support of the Michigan Council for the Arts & Community Affairs, the National Endowment for the Arts, MHT Housing, the City of Detroit, the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Commercial Revitalization, Curis Enterprises, Mack Avenue Records, the Target Corporation, Shelborne Development, and many more.

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