

Hot Notes

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International Artist Featured At Arkansas Jazz Project

Trombonist Steven Michael Suter is a native of New Orleans and Katrina survivor. He currently resides in Hot Springs, Arkansas. He is a graduate of Loyola University of New Orleans (B.M.), and Northwestern University of Chicago (M.M.). Some of his recent projects include Bonerama, the John Mahoney Big Band, and the New Orleans Jazz Orchestra.

In his career Steven has played with the Clarence "Gatemouth" Brown Big Band, the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra under the direction of Buddy Morrow, and the Al Belletto Big Jazz Band. Other appearances with nationally known acts include Pete Fountain, Natalie Cole, Rita Moreno, Bobby Vinton, Bob Hope, Ray Charles, the Temptations, the O'Jays, Gladys Knight, Johnny Mathis, Don Rickles, and Mel Torme.

Suter has recorded with Bonerama, Jill Scott, Solomon Burke, Al Martino, Barry Manilow, Al Belletto, Gatemouth Brown and the Millar Brass Ensemble.

Though traveling the world this artist still finds time to recently make television appearances on MSNBC with the "Mississippi Rising" telethon for Katrina victims, and on NBC with "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition". He played in the house band for the "Comic Relief, '06" show on HBO, the '07 Sugar Bowl, and on "Late Night with David Letterman". Steven was also named one of New Orleans Magazine's "JazzAll-Stars." Steven is currently the Vice-President of The Muses Project Inc., a Not-For-Profit corporation dedicated to preservation of classical art and music through performance and education.

The Arkansas Jazz Project presented on Friday, July 24, and Friday, August 28, is a collaboration between the Hot Springs Jazz Society and the newly remolded Quapaw Bath House on Central. The \$10 admission includes heavy hors d'oeuvres. There is a cash bar. The entertainment starts at 6pm with the Arkansas Jazz Project combo including Clyde Pound on piano, Bill Huntington on bass, Jay Payette on drums and Shirley Chauvin as vocalist. Call 501-767-0211 for information.

