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## HARTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNOUNCES BABY GRAND JAZZ 2013

Hartford, Connecticut ( December 3, 2012) — Hartford Public Library announced today the featured lineup for Baby Grand Jazz 2013, the free Sunday afternoon jazz piano program that runs January 6, through April 28 at 3:00 p.m. at the Downtown Library.

In its ninth year, Baby Grand Jazz is part of a richly diverse, historical jazz culture in Hartford. Serving as a venue for new and established artists, Baby Grand Jazz inspires all ages with music of the soul and celebrates local artists, performers and other arts organizations. "Beautiful music speaks to your soul. It makes you happy. It gets you through. It weaves a fabric of notes around your history. It is literacy in its purest form", said Matt Poland, the Library's chief executive officer. "And the library provides inspiration to all of us, regardless of who we are or what we can afford – so "take 5" with us on Sunday afternoon this year."

The Baby Grand Jazz Series for 2013 will feature the following performers:

- Saskia Laroo/ Warren Byrd January 6
- The Colbys (Bev Rohlehr & John Colby) January 13
- The Survivors Swing Band January 20
- Ed Fast January 27
- Nicki Mathis February 3
- Mark Dover February 10

- Theresa Wright February 17
- John Brighenti February 24
- Jeff Wiselberg March 3
- Latin Quartet Jazz Collective March 10
- Dane Scozzari March 17
- Earl MacDonald -March 24
- Sinan Bakir April 7
- Daniel Bennett April 14
- Larry Willis April 21
- Emery A. Smith April 28

For more information visit www.hplct.org and click on the Baby Grand Jazz slide.

The Library will also feature indie pop performers on the second Sunday of the month from January through April before jazz at 1:30.pm.

## **About Hartford Public Library**

The Hartford Public Library traces its roots to 1774. It operates 10 locations in the City of Hartford. The Library receives more than 860,000 visits per year. Services include access to a large collection of materials for reading and research, as well as music and video. Programs provide education, information and enrichment to the people of Hartford in such areas as citizenship training, literacy, business skills and cultural awareness. The mission of Hartford Public Library is to provide free resources that inspire reading, guide learning, and encourage individual exploration. Visit <a href="https://public.org">hplct.org</a> and the library's new blog at <a href="https://public.org">blogs.hplct.org</a>