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## **BABY GRAND JAZZ SERIES CONTINUES**

**Hartford, February 1, 2016** – The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Baby Grand Jazz Series, sponsored by The Charles H. Kaman Charitable Foundation, continues through April 3. The free, hour-long concerts are run Sundays, 3 pm, in The Atrium on the ground floor.

The concerts are presented in partnership with the Hartford Jazz Society and WWUH 91.3 FM.

The remaining schedule: Feb. 7, Warren Byrd (piano/vocals), Saskia Laroo (trumpet/bass), and Jay Hoggard (vibraphones), perform the works of black America jazz musicians in honor of Black History Month; Feb. 14, Taino Pacheco (piano/vocal), Greg Perault (bass), and Alvaro Maldonado (trombone) perform original compositions; Feb. 21, Sylvia Mims sings with Donn Trenner (piano) and Matt Dwonszyk (bass); and Feb. 28, Orquestra Espada performs salsa and jazz.

On March 6, the Lenore Raphael Duo performs with Raphael on piano and Wayne Wilkinson on guitar; March 13 is the Jonathan Ball Quintet, with Hartford's Ball on saxophone, Matthew Finck on guitar, Jeff Homes on piano, Jay Anderson on bass, and Tony Jefferson on drums; March 20 brings the reschedule Ayako Higuchi concert at 2 pm, followed by The Colbys with John Colby on keyboards and vocals and Bev Rohlehr on vocals; April 3 is the Ray González Jazz Quartet with González on trumpet, Damian Curtis on piano, Miguel Rios on percussion, Benny Velazquez on bass and Tony Gonzalez on percussion.

Concurrent with Baby Grand Jazz, the Library's ArtWalk is featuring "Expressions in Sounds and Motion." Hartford photographer Maurice Robertson explores the meditative qualities and the outward, flowing dynamism of musicians at play. The exhibit runs through March 4, 2016 and can be visited during regular Library hours.

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