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WORLD OF SOUNDS SUMMER SERIES RETURNS TO THE LIBRARY

Hartford, Connecticut (June 4, 2015) — Hartford Public Library announced today the fifth annual World of Sounds for the summer, a series of free musical programs that run June 20 through August 20 and is funded by The Evelyn W. Preston Memorial Trust Fund.

As an anchor institution, the Library plays an important role in the region's cultural, social and economic development while contributing to the stability, safety and quality of life in Hartford. The Library supports artistic excellence by engaging local communities in new and exciting ways through an array of inspiring artistic programs.

Hartford Public Library's World of Sounds summer concert series provides six musical performances representative of the diversity of cultures and ethnicities that exist in the city's neighborhoods. The kickoff concert will take place at the **Downtown Branch** on Saturday, June 20 at 3:00 pm with a performance by the Brazilian band Sambeleza. Performing the sounds of Brazilian jazz since 2009, this trio promotes the warm sounds of bossa nova, samba, baião and lovely ballads from some of the greatest Brazilian composers, as well as original tunes in the Brazilian style.

Three of this year's concerts will take place at the **Albany Branch** with the following line-up:

- Nzinga's Daughters, Thursday, July 9 at 6:00 pm
- Anthem Reggae Band, Tuesday, August 4 at 6:00 pm. (This performance is part of the Upper Albany neighborhood calendar for the 2015 Annual National Night Out, a unique crime/drug prevention event.)
- Smoke and Mirrors Trio, Thursday, August 20 at 6:00 pm

Two other concerts will take place at the **Dwight Branch** with the following line-up:

- Goza Latina Band, Wednesday, July 29 at 6:00 pm
- Negrura Peruana, Wednesday, August 5 at 6:00 pm

ABOUT HARTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

As a finalist for the 2013 and 2014 National Medal from the Institute for Museum and Library Services, Hartford Public Library has been recognized as a national leader in redefining the urban public library in the 21st century as an innovative and stimulating place where people can learn and discover, explore their passions, and find a rich array of resources that contribute to a full life. Hartford Public Library

provides free resources that inspire reading, guide learning, and encourage individual exploration. Serving the residents of Hartford and beyond at its nine branches and Downtown location, Hartford Public Library receives more than 833,000 visits per year from adults, children and families seeking early literacy opportunities, work skills training, civic engagement, arts enrichment, and so much more. Visit hplct.org.

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