



## **Downtown Bellevue's *Live at Lunch* Concert Series expands to Wednesdays, kicks off July 7**

**High noon is high time for free summer tunes in Downtown Bellevue every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday with 30 lunchtime concerts July 7 to September 10**

BELLEVUE, Wash. (July 1, 2009) – Downtown Bellevue's summer concert series will rock, relax and energize crowds every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, noon to 1:30 p.m., July 7 to September 10. The Bellevue Downtown Association (BDA) this year added Wednesdays to the *Live at Lunch Concert Series*, bringing the 10-week outdoor concert total to 30.

The series will again feature regional bands and artists who cover a wide range of styles and genres. Week one of the series begins Tuesday, July 7 with the Seattle Repertory Jazz Orchestra Quartet (Jazz Quartet at Skyline Tower), Wednesday, July 8 with Greta Matassa (Jazz Vocalist at Bellevue City Hall) and Thursday, July 9 with U277 (U2 Tribute Band at Bellevue Galleria).

Tuesday and Wednesday concerts will take place in outdoor plazas and open spaces throughout Downtown Bellevue, while Bellevue Galleria's Compass Plaza hosts each Thursday concert. The annual Rockkaraoke contest will be August 20 at Bellevue Galleria.

"The Live at Lunch lineup has something for everyone," said BDA Events Director Mike Ogliore. "The concerts are free, easy to get to and draw people eager for a lunch break filled with great live music. Our audience keeps growing year after year."

Concert goers can enter to win two Southwest Airlines tickets and lunch for two for a year at Tap House Grill or Palomino. The BDA has also teamed with Hopelink's End Summer Hunger Campaign to host a receiving site for cash or food donations at any Thursday Live at Lunch Concert at the Bellevue Galleria. Donations will help restock Hopelink's summer food bank. Event and venue information is available at [bellevuedowntown.com/events](http://bellevuedowntown.com/events) or by calling (425) 453-1223. Follow on Twitter at [twitter.com/LiveatLunch2009](https://twitter.com/LiveatLunch2009).

Each Live at Lunch concert will also host sign-ups for the BDA's Walk Downtown Bellevue campaign. Participants will receive a free Walk Downtown Bellevue Starter Kit with an Overlake Hospital pedometer, Group Health water bottle, Downtown Bellevue walking map, reusable BECU shopping bag, and more. More information on Walk Downtown Bellevue is available at [bellevuedowntown.com/walk](http://bellevuedowntown.com/walk).

Live at Lunch is produced by the BDA and sponsored by the Bellevue Galleria, US Bank, Puget Sound Energy, Bellevue Reporter, Unico, Palomino Bellevue, Southwest Airlines, Tap House Grill, Ilium, MOVIN 92.5, 94.1 KMPS, 98.9 KWJZ, 96.5 JACK FM, AM 880 KIXI, AM 1090, and 102.5 FM KZOK.

Established in 1974, the BDA is a nonprofit membership organization charged with leading the continuing evolution of Downtown Bellevue as the economic and cultural heart of the Eastside. The BDA also produces the annual Bellevue Jazz Festival presented by First Tech Credit Union, the 6th Street Fair, the Group Health Ice Arena in Bellevue Downtown Park, and co-produces the Symetra Bellevue Family 4th.

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## 2009 Live at Lunch Concert Series Schedule

<b>Date</b>	<b>Bands</b>	<b>Location</b>
July 7	<b>SRJO Quartet</b> • Jazz Quartet	Skyline Tower
July 8	<b>Greta Matassa</b> • Jazz Vocalist	Bellevue City Hall
July 9	<b>U277</b> • A Tribute to U2	Bellevue Galleria
July 14	<b>Gin Betty</b> • Rock/New Wave/Country	City Center Plaza
July 15	<b>New Age Flamenco</b> • Flamenco Soul	Expedia Building
July 16	<b>Emerald City Throwdown</b> • Hits from 60s to Today	Bellevue Galleria
July 21	<b>Joey Jewell, Sinatra at the Sands</b> • Frank Sinatra Hits	Newport Tower
July 22	<b>Lindsay Tomic</b> • Singer/Songwriter	TEN20
July 23	<b>Take One Band</b> • Dance & Rock Hits	Bellevue Galleria
July 28	<b>Cheryl Serio</b> • Jazz Cabaret	Civica Office Commons
July 29	<b>Jukehouse Hounds</b> • Classic Country	Plaza Garage
July 30	<b>Buckets of Rain</b> • Rock n' Roll	Bellevue Galleria
Aug. 4	<b>Wes Jones Band</b> • Traditional Country	KeyCenter
Aug. 5	<b>Thomas Marriott Trio</b> • Trumpet Artist	Symetra Financial Center
Aug. 6	<b>Idol Eyez</b> • Top 40 from 70s to Today	Bellevue Galleria
Aug. 11	<b>Scott Lindenmuth Trio</b> • Jazz Standards	The Summit
Aug. 12	<b>Michael Martinez Quartet</b> • Funky Samba	Pacific Plaza
Aug. 13	<b>Jonathan Harris</b> • Country Singer/Songwriter	Bellevue Galleria
Aug. 18	<b>Gail Pettis Quartet</b> • Jazz Vocalist	Skyline Tower
Aug. 19	<b>Michael Powers</b> • Jazz Guitarist	Expedia Building
Aug. 20	<b>Rockaraoke Contest</b> • They Play, You Sing!	Bellevue Galleria
Aug. 25	<b>Bill Anschell Trio</b> • Jazz Pianist & Composer	Bellevue City Hall
Aug. 26	<b>Jovino Santos Neto Quarteto</b> • Brazilian Jazz	Civica Office Commons
Aug. 27	<b>The Relay</b> • A Tribute to The Who	Bellevue Galleria
Sept. 1	<b>Josh Rawlings Trio</b> • Jazz Trio	City Center Plaza
Sept. 2	<b>4th Degree</b> • Jazz-Rock Band	Skyline Tower
Sept. 3	<b>Crème Tangerine</b> • Beatles Cover Band	Bellevue Galleria
Sept. 8	<b>Deems Tsutakawa</b> • Jazz Pianist	STIR Martini + Raw Bar
Sept. 9	<b>Pearl Django</b> • Gypsy Jazz	Expedia Building
Sept. 10	<b>Stephanie Schneiderman</b> • Northwest Singer/Songwriter	Bellevue Galleria

Venue details and directions are available at [bellevuedowntown.com/events](http://bellevuedowntown.com/events).

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