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SPECIAL GUEST ARTISTS PRESENT FREE CLINIC AND LISTENING SESSION IN CONJUNCTION WITH NOVEMBER 18 CHICAGO JAZZ ENSEMBLE CONCERT WITH MUSIC DIRECTOR DANA HALL

Chicago, IL, October 26, 2010 - The Chicago Jazz Ensemble with Music Director Dana Hall kicks off its 2010-11 season with *New Orleans Now* on **Thursday, November 18**, at 7:30 p.m. at the Harris Theater for Music and Dance. Special guests from New Orleans include **drummer Stanton Moore, pianist and vocalist Henry Butler, and saxophonist Donald Harrison.**

In conjunction with this concert, the CJE will present two **FREE EVENTS that are open to the public:** a clinic with Stanton Moore and an interactive Listening Session featuring music and discussion with Henry Butler, Donald Harrison, and CJE Music Director Dana Hall.

Tuesday, November 16 from 1-3 p.m., **Groove Alchemy: A Clinic with Stanton Moore** will be presented at the **Conaway Center, 1104 S. Wabash Avenue.** New Orleans native and dynamic funk drummer Moore is a founding member of the funk band Galactic and is renowned for his work as a solo performer and an educator. He leads a clinic based on *Groove Alchemy*, his comprehensive method book/CD for developing funk and groove drumming, increasing knowledge of history and styles, and sparking one's own creativity. Attendees will learn of the ideas and influences behind a number of grooves and discuss ways to create something new through experimentation with existing material and integration of personal feel and style.

Wednesday, November 17 from 12-1 p.m. an **interactive Listening Session** focused on the music and culture of New Orleans will be presented at the **Music Center Concert Hall, 1014 S. Michigan Avenue,** led by CJE Music Director **Dana Hall** with two guests from "The Crescent City." Pianist and vocalist **Henry Butler** is prominent as a blues artist but equally at home in everything from jazz to R&B to classical. Saxophonist **Donald Harrison** is a versatile artist known as the "King of Nouveau Swing" and maintains a strong connection with his hometown as the Big Chief of the Congo Nation. Audience members are encouraged to participate in the discussion.

Single show tickets for the **Thursday, November 18 *New Orleans Now*** concert at the **Harris Theater for Music and Dance,** located at 205 East Randolph on the northeast corner of Chicago's Millennium Park, are \$15 - \$45, with discounts for senior citizens and groups. **Student tickets are \$5.** Tickets can be purchased at (312) 334-7777 or www.harristheaterchicago.com.

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