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SPECIAL GUEST VOCALIST STEPHANIE JORDAN PERFORMS ELLA FITZGERALD AND SARAH VAUGHAN SONGS WITH THE CHICAGO JAZZ ENSEMBLE FEBRUARY 18

CHICAGO – The Chicago Jazz Ensemble with Music Director Dana Hall welcome special guest vocalist **Stephanie Jordan** on Friday, February 18 at the Harris Theater for Music and Dance in Chicago. The program is titled *An Evening of Ella Fitzgerald and Sarah Vaughan*.

A member of New Orleans' renowned Jordan Family of Jazz, **Stephanie Jordan** is consistently praised for her poise, elegance, and soulful articulation. She draws frequent comparisons to her mentor – the legendary jazz chanteuse Shirley Horn – as well as Abbey Lincoln, Nancy Wilson, and Carmen McRae. She has performed around the globe alongside Wynton and Branford Marsalis, Jonathan Dubose, Roy Ayres, Aaron and Arthur Neville, Cassandra Wilson, Elvis Costello, Diana Krall, and Norah Jones. She has appeared at the Kennedy Center in Washington, DC, in Jazz at Lincoln Center's nationally televised Higher Ground Hurricane Relief benefit concert for victims of Hurricane Katrina, and she has been featured live on NPR's *Talk of the Nation*.

Ms. Jordan's father, Jazz Patriarch **Edward "Kidd" Jordan**, is a saxophonist and music educator who taught the Marsalis Brothers in addition to members of the Dirty Dozen Brass Band. He has ties to Chicago through his numerous collaborations with the late saxophonist Fred Anderson, a seminal figure in the local jazz scene and founder of the Velvet Lounge. Her siblings include Marlon (trumpet), Kent (flute), and Rachel (violin) Jordan.

The Chicago Jazz Ensemble is: **DANA HALL**, Music Director and drums; **DAN NICHOLSON** and **JARRARD HARRIS**, alto saxophone; **PAT MALLINGER** and **ROB DENTY** (also clarinet), tenor saxophone; **TIM McNAMARA**, baritone saxophone; **ANDY BAKER**, **TIM COFFMAN**, **TRACY KIRK**, and **THOMAS MATTA**, trombone; **MARK OLEN**, **LARRY BOWEN**, **ART HOYLE**, and **PHAREZ WHITTED**, trumpet; **JEREMY KAHN**, piano; **JEFF PARKER**, guitar; **DAN ANDERSON**, bass; and **BOBBI WILSYN**, vocals.

Single tickets for this 7:30 p.m. concert at the Harris Theater for Music and Dance, located at 205 East Randolph Drive on the northeast corner of Chicago's Millennium Park, are \$15 - \$45 with discounts available for groups. **Student tickets are as low as \$5.** Tickets may be purchased at the Harris Box Office, by calling (312) 334-7777, or online at www.harristheaterchicago.org.

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