

Greetings to all, Happy December, and the Countdown to Dave's 100th birthday on Sunday has begun! There are quite a few events planned surrounding his birthday, among them:

Mark Ruffin at <u>Sirius/XM</u> will be presenting The Dave Brubeck Centennial Hour on Fridays at 6pm ET, Sundays at 8am ET, and Tuesdays at 12pm ET through December 18th, with subsequent encores.

WRTI Public Radio in Philadelphia has been presenting a <u>week-long celebration</u> of Dave, and has named the new release "Time OutTakes" (coming out on Friday, December 4th) as its <u>Jazz Album of the Week</u>, and "Affinity" (featuring Chris's guitar concerto with an homage to Dave) as its <u>Classical Album of the Week</u>. In addition, the WRTI's Jazz Hosts have written about their <u>Favorite Brubeck tracks</u>, complete with links.

Saturday, December 5th, pianist David Benoit will be hosting a Brubeck Birthday Celebration on his show on KJazz in Los Angeles from 10am to 12pm PT. <u>Listen to it Live Here</u>

Sunday, December 6th from 10am - 2pm (ET) <u>Michael Bourne on WBGO</u> in NJ will be presenting a Dave Brubeck Salute on his Singers Unlimited show.

Sunday, December 6th, John LaBarbera will be presenting a Brubeck big band radio show at 10am Eastern time which will be streamed live at <u>WFPK.org</u>.

Capital Public Radio will be celebrating Dave throughout the week leading up to his birthday on Sunday, December 6th. At 8pm (PT) on Sunday they will be rebroadcasting a terrific <u>Jazz Profiles show</u> about Dave hosted by Nancy Wilson. Tuesday, December 15th - NJPAC and Jazz Standard present a special online event <u>Celebrating 100 Years of Dave Brubeck!</u> GRAMMY® winning producer Seth Abramson hosts a virtual discussion about the rich legacy of the jazz pianist, composer, and incomparable ambassador of cool, with pianist Bill Charlap and drummer Kenny Washington. Bill and Kenny will take you on a wide-ranging conversation through Dave's incredible career that spanned musical genres, decades, and continents. You can watch it live on Facebook <u>HERE</u>.

Other birthday events are happening as well, and we will be continuing Dave's Centennial celebration throughout 2021. I encourage you to check out Dave's website at <u>DaveBrubeck.com</u> where you can read what's new, look at the Calendar of Events, enjoy the Timeline and learn more about Dave's Compositions. The website is always being expanded and it is a great resource of information and news.

Thank you for all your interest in Dave, his music and his legacy. My family and I really appreciate it.

Cheers! ~ Chris

Out TOMORROW December 4: Time Out*Takes*

Time OutTakes will be released TOMORROW on **December 4**, **2020**, just in time for Dave's 100th birthday on December 6th. The versions of *Take Five*, *Blue Rondo à la Turk*, and *Cathy's Waltz* on this album each have been released as a single, and can be heard on Spotify, <u>Amazon or YouTube</u>.

Time OutTakes features previously unreleased tracks from the original 1959 recording sessions which have never been heard before. These newly-discovered recordings feature wonderful performances that are every bit as compelling as their famous counterparts.

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Hear the world premiere of the *Time Out Suite*!

Tune in to Performance Today with host Fred Child to hear the world premiere performance of Chris Brubeck's "Time Out Suite", an orchestral work that Chris Brubeck arranged in celebration Dave's centennial.

In this premiere recording, Peter Jaffe conducts the Stockton Symphony at the Atherton Auditorium of San Joaquin Delta College in Stockton, CA





Russian premiere of "The Real Ambassadors"



Also on Sunday, December 6, at 6:00 pm MSK, (10am ET; 7am PT) log on to the U.S. Embassy's Cultural Attache in Moscow's page **HERE** for the Facebook Russian premiere of *The Real* Ambassadors, a virtual tribute concert to American jazz pianist and composer Dave Brubeck on the 100th anniversary of his birth in partnership with The Louis Armstrong House Museum.

The concert will include six selections from The Real Ambassadors jazz musical, developed by Dave and Iola Brubeck in collaboration with Louis Armstrong and his band in the late 1950s and 1960s. The musical is a retrospective of Brubeck and his fellow jazz musicians' experiences performing around the world with the U.S. State Department. The nation's finest jazz musicians abroad volunteered as goodwill "Jazz Ambassadors" to symbolize America's commitment to freedom and democracy.

The virtual concert's band is led by two-time Grammy-nominated trumpeter Alphonso Horne. The concert is jointly presented the Louis Armstrong House and Archives, the Forum for Cultural Engagement, and the U.S. Embassy in Moscow.

John Salmon plays "Glances"

Pianist John Salmon is one of the foremost experts on Dave's classical piano works. John enjoyed a long friendship with Dave, and has recorded four compact discs of Dave's classical piano music. Dave dedicated two compositions to John: "The Salmon Strikes" and "Bach Again." Below is a video of John performing Dave's piece "Glances" at a recent <u>Virginia Music Teachers Association</u> conference.





Music video: "Lullaby for Iola" from Lullabies

In case you missed it, earlier this month Verve Records released <u>"Dave Brubeck - Lullabies"</u>, a beautiful solo piano collection of sweet melodies which he recorded as a gift to his grandchildren.

"From the beginning of time, mothers have lulled their babies to sleep softly singing familiar melodies...Some of the melodies on this album are like those familiar songs. Some are original pieces that I thought would appeal to babies as well as an older generation. I hope the littlest ones will respond to this music, and that parents and grandparents will enjoy it as well." — Dave Brubeck

Enjoy this charming music video to accompany the track "Lullaby for



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