



GAM FOUNDATION
Jazz at the Capitol Theatre

Dear JazzSLC Season Ticket Holders, Patrons, Supporters and Friends,

In 1994, a couple of longtime friends with a shared love of Jazz music set their minds to bringing the artists they loved to Salt Lake City. From our first small concert at the Hilton Hotel to today, the series has spanned nearly 250 concerts. From legends like Dave Brubeck and Diana Krall, to emerging talents like Emmet Cohen and Samara Joy, we've invested over two decades of our lives creating something we've loved, and you've been there with us throughout the journey. That's what makes it so hard to announce that, with very heavy hearts, today we must announce that our JazzSLC concert series, after 27 wonderful years is coming to an end.

The sad truth is the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic and the current financial climate has made it impossible for us to continue. Our enduring goal of keeping ticket prices accessible to all audiences is simply no longer achievable. Over the past three seasons artist fees, concert production costs and pretty much everything else have increased dramatically. Even with all of your generous support, the costs are too high and we are unable to continue to produce concerts at the high standard you deserve.

We want to thank our very small staff who have committed their energy to keeping the series going, receiving little more than free tickets to the shows in return. Gordon's increased investment and a handful of extremely generous donors have helped prolong our ability to deliver the series to this point, but the truth is we simply cannot afford to continue.

We are so grateful of all of our JazzSLC season ticket holders, donors and patrons that have supported us over the past 27 seasons. Without your kind and wonderful support, we would not have been able to produce this series, exposing our community and students to this amazing art form. Our hope is that our series has brought you joy and inspired our audience to help keep Jazz, our truly American artform, alive.

We are able to present the Paquito D'Rivera performance on March 4th and the Samara Joy performance on March 18th. Unfortunately, we are forced to cancel our last two concerts of the series, Joshua Redman on April 1st and Delfeayo Marsalis on May 21st. Please accept our sincere apologies for these cancelled concerts, we just do not have the funds to continue. If you require a refund for these performances, please email Amanda Lufkin at aalufkin@yahoo.com, and we'll make every effort to accommodate.

We truly love this community we've built together and each and every one of you.

Gordon & Amanda