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## **Steeltown Jazz Announces *Steeltown Jazz Storytellers* Saturday, April 18 Lineup**

**When:** Saturday, April 18, 2015. Doors at 6:45 PM. Performance at 8 PM.

**Where:** James Street Gastropub & Speakeasy, Second Floor Ballroom  
422 Foreland Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15212

**What:** *Steeltown Jazz Storytellers* – the past, present and future of JAZZ in Pittsburgh

**Who: Performers:** Nick DeCesare Quartet – Nick DeCesare (piano), Tony DePaolis (bass), Ben Sherman (guitar) and George Heid III (drums)

Eric DeFade Little Big Band – Eric DeFade (saxophone, flute and piano), Ty Price (saxophone), Anthony Bernardi (drums), George Arner (trumpet), Fred Carlier (trombone), Eric Joseph (guitar), Brian Carson (bass), George Hrizdek (piano), Maggie McKormick (vocals) and Maura Meder (vocals). Hosted by the "Voice of Jazz in Pittsburgh," Mr. Bob Studebaker.

**Presented by:** James Street Gastropub & Speakeasy and Ahsek Media; in partnership with *Steel City Grooves: Celebrating Western Pennsylvania Jazz* presented by the Senator John Heinz History Center Volunteer Ambassador Program in collaboration with California University of Pennsylvania Music Department.

**Tickets:** VIP tickets are \$50 (\$60 at the door); General Admission tickets are \$35 (\$45 at the door). Tickets are on sale at [www.SteeltownJazz.com](http://www.SteeltownJazz.com).

**Pittsburgh, PA ...** On Saturday, April 18, 2015, the third performance of the exciting new series *Steeltown Jazz Storytellers* will celebrate the music of Pittsburgh jazz legend Henry Mancini with local jazz musicians Eric DeFade (saxophone, flute and piano), Ty Price (saxophone), Anthony Bernardi (drums), George Arner (trumpet), Fred Carlier (trombone), Eric Joseph (guitar), Brian Carson (bass), George Hrizdek (piano), Maggie McKormick (vocals), Maura Meder (vocals), Nick DeCesare (piano), Tony DePaolis (bass), Ben Sherman (guitar) and George Heid III (drums) as panelists and performers.



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Hosted by the "Voice of Jazz in Pittsburgh," Mr. Bob Studebaker, *Steeltown Jazz Storytellers* is dedicated to promoting the amazingly rich community of jazz in Pittsburgh, while working to ensure its future as one of Pittsburgh's greatest cultural assets – JAZZ!

Doors will open to the **James Street Gastropub & Speakeasy** second floor ballroom at 6:45 PM. Ticketholders are encouraged to come early to enjoy delicious food, signature cocktails and beverages available for purchase from the full bar menu.

At 8 PM, *Steeltown Jazz Storytellers* will begin with an incredible video production of **Henry Mancini – Steel City Grooves: Celebrating Western Pennsylvania Jazz**, presented by the **Senator John Heinz History Center Volunteer Ambassador Program** in collaboration with **California University of Pennsylvania Music Department**. Following the video, a panel of incredible jazz artists, led by "**Voice of Jazz in Pittsburgh**", **Mr. Bob Studebaker**, will discuss their memories and experiences of jazz in Pittsburgh. Attendees will have the opportunity to hear firsthand stories from their favorite local musicians, as well as ask the panelists questions of their own. Following the panel discussion, attendees will enjoy 2 additional hours of amazing, live jazz music performed by the panelists.

Advance tickets for *Steeltown Jazz Storytellers* are \$50 for VIP tickets, with seating directly in front of the stage, and \$35 for general admission tickets. Tickets will increase \$10 at the door. Only 24 VIP tickets and 56 general admission tickets are available for each performance!

*Steeltown Jazz presents Steeltown Jazz Storytellers – the past, present and future of JAZZ in Pittsburgh! Join us on the third Saturday of each month, February – June 2015, in the James Street Gastropub & Speakeasy second floor ballroom for an amazing night of Pittsburgh jazz. Tickets are on sale at [www.SteeltownJazz.com](http://www.SteeltownJazz.com).*

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