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## **Steeltown Jazz Announces Lineup for Steeltown Jazz Storytellers Finale on Saturday, May 16**

**When:** Saturday, May 16, 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:** Max Leake (piano), Roger Humphries (drums), Dwayne Dolphin (bass) and George Jones (percussion). 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, May 16, 2015, Steeltown Jazz will host its final performance of *Steeltown Jazz Storytellers* for the 2015 season, featuring Max Leake (piano), Roger Humphries (drums), Dwayne Dolphin (bass) and George Jones (percussion) as panelists and performers, celebrating the music of Pittsburgh's great jazz pianists Mary Lou Williams, Errol Garner, Ahmad Jamal and more!

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.



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At 8 PM, *Steeltown Jazz Storytellers* will begin with an incredible video production of **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, the 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 incredible 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 two 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!

Originally, the 2015 Steeltown Jazz Storytellers season was set to run on the third Saturday of each month through June 2015; however with the announcement of the dates for the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Pittsburgh Jazz Live International Festival, organizers have decided to cut the season short and start up again in 2016.

"We're all about celebrating jazz in Pittsburgh," said Steeltown Jazz founder, Kesha M Pate. "We want to support everyone who is supporting jazz here. Cutting our season short, so as not to compete with the Jazz Live International Festival, makes sense. Jazz Fest is a great event and we want as many people as possible to get out and support it."

Steeltown Jazz will resume performances in January 2016.

*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 – May 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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