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Watch the 2025 International Jazz Day Concert from Abu Dhabi

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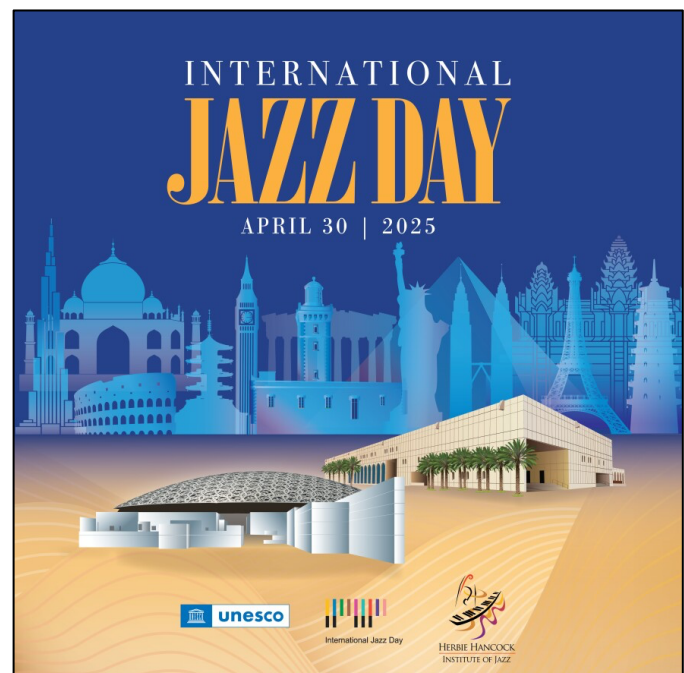
The 2025 edition of **International Jazz Day** will be celebrated in more than 190 countries on April 30, with Abu Dhabi selected as the Global Host City. Organized by **UNESCO** and the **Herbie Hancock Institute of Jazz**, this celebration will feature concerts and educational and cultural initiatives.

Concert tickets are available [here](#). The concert will also be streamed live to millions around the world via UNTV, UNESCO, jazzday.com, Facebook, YouTube and other international media partners.

“We are thrilled to celebrate this International day on a high note in the UNESCO Creative City of Music Abu Dhabi. This edition will highlight the city’s rich tapestry of creativity and cultural heritage while showcasing jazz’s ability to connect communities and promote dialogue and peace across continents.”

Audrey Azoulay, UNESCO Director-General.

The amazing list of performers include **Herbie Hancock, Dee Dee Bridgewater, Janis Siegel, Dianne Reeves, Terri Lyne Carrington, Emmet Cohen, Kurt Elling, Marcus Miller, Arturo Sandoval, John Patitucci, Tia Fuller, John Pizzarelli** and many others.





UNESCO/Herbie Hancock Institute of Jazz
Performers at the 2025 International Jazz Day concert in Abu Dhabi

For more than 60 years, **Janis Siegel**'s voice has been an undeniable force in the world of jazz and popular music. A founding member of **The Manhattan Transfer**, Siegel's powerful and versatile voice became one of the group's most recognized trademarks. Performing for audiences around the world, The Manhattan Transfer and Siegel amassed a large international fan base and garnered consistently high critical praise, including 10 GRAMMY Awards. Siegel has also enjoyed an eclectic solo career, spawning more than a dozen finely crafted solo albums and participating in collaborative projects with some of the world's most renowned musicians, producers, composers and arrangers. She co-hosts **WBGO's Singers Unlimited** radio program with Lezlie Harrison and Vocal Gumbo, a virtual music program celebrating the vocal arts, with Lauren Kinhan of New York Voices.

Guitarist and singer **John Pizzarelli** is one the great contemporary interpreters of the Great American Songbook who has explored the music of Paul McCartney, Joni Mitchell, Neil Young, Tom Waits, Antônio Carlos Jobim and the Beatles. Pizzarelli is an acclaimed bandleader and solo performer who has released more than 30 albums of his own and performed as a special guest on recordings by Natalie Cole, Kristin Chenoweth, Tom Wopat, Rickie Lee Jones, Rosemary Clooney and his father, Bucky Pizzarelli. He won a GRAMMY Award for Best Traditional Pop Vocal Album as co-producer of James Taylor's American Standard. Pizzarelli co-hosts Radio Deluxe with John Pizzarelli alongside his wife, **Jessica Molaskey**. He has appeared on national television shows such as The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon, Conan and Great Performances, and performed at the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

The concert can be seen here starting at 4pm ET on April 30.