Clifford Brown Year-Round Celebrates International Jazz Day With Second Annual Awards Ceremony on Friday April 29

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Dave Schiff and the Clifford Brown Festival Orchestra will honor the legacy of the late Hal Schiff and the 2022 award winners

The Second Annual Clifford Brown International Jazz Day Awards will be held on Friday, April 29th, 2022, at 7 p.m. – both online and in-person – as part of the City of Wilmington’s International Jazz Day Festivities. This year’s celebration will feature tenor saxophonist Dave Schiff and the Clifford Brown Festival Orchestra honoring the legacy of his father, Hal Schiff, and the 2022 award winners.

Award nominations were accepted in four categories: Clifford Brown Advocacy, Volunteerism & Philanthropy in Jazz Award; the Clifford Brown Young & Swinging Award; the Clifford Brown Top Jazz Presenter Award; and the Clifford Brown Legacy Award.

The live, in-person concert, featuring musical accompaniment by the Clifford Brown Festival Orchestra under musical director Gerald Chavis on trumpet, will take place on Friday, April 29 beginning at 7 p.m. at the Music School of Delaware. Located at 4101 Washington Street, this is the historic location of Hal Schiff’s music camp, where the elder Schiff would bring top jazz performers from New York City and elsewhere to teach young aspiring musicians. The show will also be broadcast online, and the link will be available for repeat viewing through Sunday, May 1, 2022.

Music Director Gerald Chavis performed during the Clifford Brown year-round “How Do You Say Love” event Friday, February 18, 2022; at the CSC Station in Wilmington, DE. Photo by Saquan Stimpson
“Hal changed the trajectory of my life by taking me on tour in Europe as a teenager,” said Music Director Gerald Chavis, “That’s when I decided to get serious about my music. His summer jazz camp prepared me for the challenge.”

Tickets for the concert are $10 (online) and $25 (in-person) and are available at [www.cityfestwilm.com/events](http://www.cityfestwilm.com/events). Proceeds support programs like the Clifford Brown Year-Round Series and others produced by Cityfest, Inc., including the Urban Artist Exchange Eastside Neighborhood Revitalization Project and the Arts Work Youth Program.

[International Jazz Day](jazzday.com) brings communities, schools, artists, historians, academics, and jazz enthusiasts all over the world together to celebrate and learn about jazz and its roots, its future, and its impact; raise awareness of the need for intercultural dialogue and mutual understanding, and reinforce international cooperation and communication.

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