

## Media Advisory

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### **Old School Funk/Jazz/R&B/Latin Band, WAR to Appear at 2nd Annual Metropolitan International Jazz Festival *Labor Day Weekend: Tues. August 28 – Sat. September 1***

**UPPER MARLBORO, MD** – The old school California Funk/Jazz/R&B/Latin band called War will make a special guest performance during this year's Second Annual Metropolitan International Jazz Festival.

The stellar list of artists that will grace the Show Place Arena stage Labor Day Weekend also include **Bobbie Caldwell, Ramsey Lewis and Mindi Abair**. The Jazz Festival begins Thurs. Aug. 30 through Sat. Sept. 1.

In addition, **Isaac Hayes, Jeffery Osborne and Norman Brown's** Summer Storm starring the amazing **Peabo Bryson**, phenomenal **Jeff Lorber** and the passionate horn of **Paul Taylor**, who will replace *Marion Meadows*, will perform at the jazz festival.

After an overwhelmingly enthusiastic decision to return to Prince George's County, the Second Annual Metropolitan International Jazz Festival will now be a five-day event to include a third concert date that has been added to the main event.

This year, instead of just two days of an exciting entertainment line-up of star studded jazz artists, the Metropolitan International Jazz Festival will encompass three concert nights, taking place Labor Day Weekend Thurs. Aug. 30 – Sat. Sept. 1 at the Show Place Arena in Upper Marlboro.

In addition, evening "Jam Sessions" will take place earlier in the week beginning Tues. August 28. On the night of the concerts, jam sessions immediately follow the last

performance. All Jam Sessions will take place at the University of Maryland University College Inn & Conference Center, in College Park, the host hotel for the jazz festival.

**WHAT:**

Second Annual Metropolitan International Jazz Festival

**WHEN/WHERE:**

*Concert Performances*

Show Place Arena

Upper Marlboro, MD

***Thurs. Aug. 30 – Sat. Sept. 1***

*Jam Sessions*

The Inn & Conference Center

University of Maryland University College

3501 University Blvd East

Adelphi, MD

***Tues. Aug. 28 – Sat. Sept. 1***

Tickets are available for purchase through Ticketmaster at 800-943-4327 and at the Showplace Arena. For more information, visit [www.shortcakeentgroup.com](http://www.shortcakeentgroup.com).

[Jazz Festival Flyer] (pdf) for the complete schedule of the artists line-up.

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