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**ONTARIO PLACE INTRODUCES JAZZ SUNDAYS AT THE VISTA STARTING JUNE 16  
Inclusive New Music Program Supports Emerging Jazz Artists From Across Ontario**

**Toronto, June 7, 2019** – Starting June 16, Ontario Place launches 'Jazz Sundays at the Vista' featuring emerging jazz musicians from across Ontario who will perform live jazz music at Ontario Place's waterfront patio, Vista Eatery. The participating musicians are a combination of students and graduates from a series of prestigious music and jazz studies programs: University of Toronto, York University, Humber College and Mohawk College. This program will provide the graduates the opportunity to gain experience, develop their audiences, network with fellow musicians and industry professionals and perform in one of the few venues in the city that features live jazz music.

The program is co-curated and hosted by Robert Missen, who has had a long and distinguished career in the Canadian performing arts as artist manager, agent, producer and promoter. Robert has worked with some of Canada's most notable performers and has a real passion and ability to nurture and showcase musical talent.

"I am delighted to be collaborating with the team at Ontario Place on what to me is a unique and vital opportunity for these gifted young musicians. This will be the first professional engagement for many of them. I know that audiences are going to be blown away by the talent coming out of our province's jazz schools," says Robert Missen.

The program is inclusive, featuring artists from diverse backgrounds and is geared to attract listeners of all ages and expose a diverse crowd to the sounds of jazz. The lineup for Jazz Sundays at the Vista features ten jazz trios that will play both traditional and modern jazz music, inspired by some of Jazz's greats - Oscar Peterson, Ella Fitzgerald, Sarah Vaughan and Aretha Franklin to name a few.

"I am extremely grateful for the opportunity to play music at a venue as beautiful as Ontario Place," says participating musician Connor Moe. "Not only are they supporting the live music scene of young jazz musicians, but are also providing a different, outdoor environment for the music. Jazz is a style that always is looking back on its history but can include innovation and new ideas, which the Jazz Sundays program aims to highlight."

Jazz Sunday at the Vista will run every Sunday from June 16 to Sept 1, except June 30 & July 14. The live music performances will run from 3 PM – 6PM and include three thirty minutes sets.



DATE	TIME	MUSICIAN / GROUP NAME	SCHOOL
June 16	3:00pm	Jenna Marie Pinard Trio	<i>U of T</i>
June 23	3:00pm	Connor Moe Trio	<i>York University</i>
July 7	3:00pm	KVJazz Trio	<i>Mohawk College</i>
July 21	3:00pm	Precious Cargo	<i>Humber College</i>
July 28	3:00pm	The Daniel Bado Trio	<i>York University</i>
August 4	3:00pm	The Eric Vanier Quartet	<i>Humber College</i>
August 11	3:00pm	Dennis Kwok Trio	<i>Humber College</i>
August 18	3:00pm	The Little Trio	<i>York University</i>
August 25	3:00pm	The Ben Frost Trio	<i>U of T</i>
September 1	4:00pm	Sil Trio	<i>U of T</i>

**WHERE:**

Ontario Place, Vista Eatery  
955 Lake Shore Blvd. West  
Toronto

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