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**THE FILLMORE DISTRICT CELEBRATES 26th ANNUAL  
FILLMORE JAZZ FESTIVAL ON FOURTH OF JULY WEEKEND**

*Fillmore Street's South of Geary 'Live-Music District' Gears Up  
For Biggest Bash of Summer with Lindy Swing Dancing, Soulful Jazz and Blues  
Bands, Chef Cooking Demos, Art Activities and After Hours Events*

**SAN FRANCISCO – JUNE 27, 2010** – The city's newly revitalized [Fillmore District](#) will be in full swing Fourth of July weekend as part of the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual [Fillmore Jazz Festival](#) on Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday July 4<sup>th</sup>, 10 am – 6 pm, both days. Each year, this fun-filled music festival and arts 'n crafts fair attracts 100,000 people from all over San Francisco and beyond who celebrate a tradition of live jazz, rhythm and blues, gospel as well as local culture and fine cuisine in the heart and soul of the city.

**MUSIC, DANCING AND FOOD**

The Festival's activities in the Fillmore District, south of Geary St., will feature a Lindy floor with bands galore (right here where vintage swing and jazz started!) with the renowned Swing U School and [Swing Championships](#) presenting **free** swing dance lessons, performances and open dance on the [Fillmore Center Plaza](#), at Fillmore and O'Farrell (CHANGED from Geary St bridge) .

Don't miss a chance to groove to foot-stompin' musicians and the Bay's best jazz and blues talent on the Eddy Street Stage, at Fillmore and Eddy, including local blues legend [Bobbie Webb](#) , the renowned funk/hip-hop band [Bayonics](#), reggae favorite [Native Elements](#) and gospel group [Consonance](#) (more listed on schedule below).

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Once again the Festival will present a live Chef Stage on Gene Suttle Plaza at Fillmore/O'Farrell with hourly cooking demos and tastings by the District's hottest chefs, including Chef David Lawrence of [1300 on Fillmore](#) , Chef Anjan Mitra of [Dosa](#) , Chef Michele Wilson of [Gussie's Chicken and Waffles](#) and Chef Anthony Strong of [Pizzeria Delfina](#) .

Cool booths south of Geary featuring more Fillmore District yummy food include: 1300 on Fillmore serving their signature shrimp & grits, [Jubilli Frozen Yogurt](#) launching their brand new line of baked goods called Velvetten Sweets – cupcakes, cookies, shortbread and brownies: [Fat Angel Food and Libations](#) serving beef sliders and corn on the cob; and the newly-opened [Bumzy's Chocolate Chip Cookies](#) (mmmm, nuff said!)

## **ART AND CULTURE**

The Fillmore's own [Jazz Heritage Center](#) will be offering some special art treats during the Festival. [Lush Life Gallery](#) and Koret Heritage Lobby will be open with the ongoing display of [Michael Rios](#)'s fine art perspective and tribute to Miles Davis and Carlos Santana. Many images are for sale and Michael himself will be on hand Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup> from 1-5 pm in the Gallery signing his Fillmore Street Jazz Festival commemorative prints. Also on Sunday in the Gallery, [Rhonel Roberts](#) will be doing a live painting exhibition and signing his Jazz Festival commemorative fine art prints as well.

Other booths that will include local artisans and merchants are: Chloe Jackman Photography and Chole's Coffee, New Orleans Candles Heaven Scent, Carl E. Karni-Bain artworks, La'Rimo Design accessories and Drop 3/MPC Office Printing; plus the Fillmore District CBD selling cool new T-shirts and running a prize wheel for District specials. You can also pick up an entertainment program at the CBD booth.

## **AFTER PARTIES**

Just when you think all the fun has died down, pop into the Jazz Heritage Center on Sunday from 6-8 pm for an "Afterglow" jazz mixer featuring live music from the jazz/funk collective [Groove Eight](#). And Gussie's will be featuring live music Saturday 7/4 and Sunday 7/5 post-Festival on both evenings with the jazz group The Real (also serving their Blueberry "Soulgria" as recently featured on "Grill It with Bobby Flay").

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**ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE:**

*EDDY STREET STAGE (AT FILLMORE ST)*

Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>

- 10:00 - 11:30 am      Curtis Lawson  
<http://www.cdbaby.com/cd/curtislawson>
- 12:00 - 1:30 pm      Dynamic Four  
[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IPsX\\_jFIUNo](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IPsX_jFIUNo)
- 2:00 - 3:30 pm      Bobbie Webb  
[www.bobbiewebb.com](http://www.bobbiewebb.com)
- 4:00-6:00 pm      Native Elements  
<http://www.native-elements.com>

Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup>

- 10:00 - 11:30 am      Consonance (gospel group)  
<http://www.consonancegospel.com/>
- Noon to 1:30 pm      Eddy Gil
- 2:00 - 3:30 pm      Mancanto  
<<http://www.reverbnation.com/manicato>>
- 4:00-6:00 pm      Bayonics with special guest Big Brooklyn Red  
[www.bayonics.com](http://www.bayonics.com) <<http://www.bayonics.com>>

*FILLMORE CENTER PLAZA (O'FARRELL AT FILLMORE)*

Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>

- 10:00 am - Noon      The Jazz School Performance  
[http://www.jazzschool.com/studioband/Studio\\_Band\\_Home\\_Page.html](http://www.jazzschool.com/studioband/Studio_Band_Home_Page.html)
- 12:00 to 5:00 pm      Swing U and SwingChampionships.com present swing dance lessons, contests and performances  
<http://www.balboabattle.com/JulySwingNights.htm>
- 5:00 – 7:00 pm      Social Swing Dancing  
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**PARKING:** Clay/Webster Garage, Japantown Plaza, Fillmore Center Garage (Eddy between Fillmore and Steiner) or Fillmore Heritage Ctr Garage (Eddy between Fillmore and Webster)

**WEBSITE:** [www.thefillmoredistrict.com](http://www.thefillmoredistrict.com)

**GRAPHICS:** For poster art and photos from previous Festivals, see festival website at [www.fillmorejazzfestival.com](http://www.fillmorejazzfestival.com)

Festival presented by the [Fillmore Street Merchants Association](#) and the [Fillmore District CBD](#).  
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