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BRING OUT YOUR INNER JAZZER AT THE MOAB MUSIC FESTIVAL'S WINTERLUDE JANUARY 27 – FEBRUARY 4, 2023

**An Immersive Weekend of Jazz Includes Non-Professional
Adult Improv Workshop**



Moab, Utah – Those who are passionate about listening and playing jazz will revel in the opening weekend of the Moab Music Festival's Winterlude from January 27 - February 4, 2023, coming on the heels of an electrifying 30th anniversary season. The event-filled, immersive week takes on a slightly new twist this season, illuminating jazz, and featuring the captivating young jazz saxophonist *Jazz Times* called "a force on the rise" Alison Shearer, who "wields a skill set beyond her years," and her Quartet, which includes Kevin Bernstein (keyboard), Marty Kenney (bass), and Horace Phillips (drums). Opening weekend shines a big spotlight on Alison and her band, which settles in to Moab for performances and eye and ear opening educational activities. MMF's reputation for its extensive year-round programs expanded last season with the inaugural non-professional instrumentalist adult chamber music workshops, which continue this year, broaden even further. Shearer and her Quartet will host an improv workshop, for all the aspiring jazzers in the community and surrounding areas.

A dream getaway for avid jazz lovers brings patrons in to the stunning red rock

town on Friday, January 27, for a free Jazz Happy Hour at Josie Wyatt's at the swanky new Hoodoo hotel in town, where you can sip cocktails, forget about the week, and enjoy Alison and her band. The next morning is a big opportunity for patrons to take the stage at MMF's Adult Chamber Music Improv workshop. Aspiring musicians will have the chance to perform, and woodshed, with the group, honing their skills and delving deeply in to all the secrets of improv. That evening, head back to the Hoodoo for music and socializing with fellow jazz enthusiasts for an evening of *Jazz with the Alison Shearer Quartet*. Patrons have the option of cocktails and a seated dinner, from the delectable Josie Wyatt's Grille, or just cocktails at a hi-top table

If there's time for a week away in stunning red rock country, participants from the workshops will be invited to join Alison and the band on stage in a showcase in the historic Star Hall on February 3.

Complete Listing of Winterlude Public Performances – more at moabmusicfest.org

- **Friday, January 27, 11 am: KZMU Tiny Station Concert featuring the Alison Shearer Quartet.** Tune in, listen online (90.1 and 106.7 FM, or stream on kzmu.org).
- **Friday, January 27, 5:30 pm: *Jazz Happy Hour at Josie Wyatt's*, Hoodoo Moab. FREE.**
- **Saturday, January 28, 10 am - 1 pm: Winterlude Adult Chamber Music Workshop; Improv Workshop:** Grand Center. Register in advance at moabmusicfest.org.
- **Saturday, January 28, 7 pm: *An Evening of Jazz with the Alison Shearer*, Hoodoo Moab.** Tickets: General admission \$30; add dinner by Josie Wyatt's for an additional \$65. General admission: arrive at 6:30 pm. Dinner and cocktail admission: arrive at 6:00 pm.
- **Friday, February 3, 7 pm *Winterlude Showcase*, Star Hall.** All ages welcome! Adult and youth workshop performances, along with the Alison Shearer Quartet. **FREE.**
- **Saturday, February 4, 10:30 am: *Musical Story Hour*, Star Hall, FREE.**

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