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The Jazz Loft Presents ‘Viva Cuba’ with the Loft’s Latin Orchestra

Stony Brook, NY- No passport required for a visit to Cuba as [The Jazz Loft](#), 275 Christian Avenue in Stony Brook, presents two sizzling nights of Latin Jazz with Viva Cuba!, sponsored by Robert Lourie and Ivana Stolnik-Lourie. The Jazz Loft Latin Orchestra will be performing Thursday, June 14, Friday, June 15 & Saturday, June 16 at 7 p.m. with an all-Latin Jazz program.

"Jazz is this wonderful pot of gumbo that mixes together so many beautiful cultures, especially Latin music," said Tom Manuel, founder of the Jazz Loft. "The story of Cuba certainly is a long and complicated one. The influence of Spain, Haiti, Africa, and other cultures absolutely contributed to its musical tapestry. We need more awareness of this music here in America- it is important music, and it is part of the story of Jazz."

The 16-piece orchestra is based on the traditional Latin Jazz Orchestras of the 1930s and 40s: four saxes, three trumpets, a trombone, piano, bass, drums, acoustic guitar, flute, congas/bongos, timbales, plus auxiliary percussion. The band: Chris Donohue, alto saxophone; Terry Goss, alto saxophone; John Marshall, tenor saxophone; Skye Hamilton-Carranza, tenor saxophone; Carlos Jimenez, flute; Leon Petruzzi, trumpet; Thomas Manuel, trumpet; Terry Nigrelli, trombone; Steve Salerno, guitar; Rich Iacona, piano; Marty Isenberg, bass; Ellis Holmes, drums; John Mele, timbales; Chembo Corniel, congas and Peter DeJesus, bongos.

The orchestra will be playing the works of such composers and arrangers as Prez Prado, Osvaldo Farres, Tito Puente, Xavier Cugat, Machito, Chano Pozo, Marion Sunshine, Perez Prado, and many others. **Viva Havana!**

Tickets: \$40 adults; \$35 seniors; \$30 students; \$25 children and children under 5 are free. See [TICKETS](#).

The Jazz Loft is located just 90 minutes from New York City and is the only music venue on Long Island that features exclusively Jazz music.