



SJO'S ANNUAL JAZZ SHOWCASE
Presents *The JaNia Harden Project*
Miami-Dade County Fair & Exposition
Saturday, April 8th, 2017

The Sunshine Jazz Organization returns with a very special performance by The JaNia Harden Project for our annual Jazz Showcase at The Fair! This important SJO outreach event is produced in collaboration with DIASPORA ARTS COALITION (DAC), MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CULTURAL AFFAIRS and MIAMI-DADE PARKS.

In a career spanning over fifteen years, JaNia Harden has distinguished herself as an unparalleled singer, music director, actress, choreographer and educator. She is an independent artist born and raised in Miami, Florida. She obtained her Bachelor of Science degree in Music/Voice from Florida A&M University in Tallahassee. JaNia will be joined by Waldron Dunkley - Trombone, John Harden - Keyboards & Organ, Jason Kent - Drums, and Danny Zapata - Guitar.



Ms. Harden has toured the U.S. and had the pleasure of opening for artists such as the Marley Family and Lauryn Hill. JaNia is known for her smooth alto jazz timbre - "Her voice resonates to the soul, and can take you to a religious place when she belts out soul piercing notes in her upper register." Influenced by classic jazz singers including Carmen McCrae, Dinah Washington and Ella Fitzgerald, she has portrayed "Nina 2" in the stage production of "Simply Simone" (the music of Nina Simone) for the past 3 years and seems to have found a perfect vehicle for her enormous talent.

Join us at the Miami-Dade County Fair & Expo on Saturday, April 8th. SJO's Jazz Showcase begins at 7PM on the Parks Community Stage, located inside Arnold Hall. **The concert is free with Fair admission.** THE FAIR: 10901 Coral Way (SW 24 Street), Miami, Florida 33165. Fair Info (305) 223-7060.

SJO's annual event at The Fair entertains and educates fairgoers as they are treated to concerts by South Florida's best musicians while gaining awareness of Jazz music and its significance in American culture. The Sunshine Jazz Organization is a Miami-based, not-for-profit entity created in 1986. Our mission is to support and foster Jazz music by enhancing interest and appreciation, promoting accessibility for diverse audiences, and encouraging the development of Jazz talent.

SJO's programs are presented with support of The Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs, The Cultural Affairs Council, the Miami-Dade County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners.
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