

LILY PADS SUNDAY JAZZ SERIES BRINGS LIVE JAZZ TO SOUTH COUNTY

PEACE DALE, RI — The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of South County (UUCSC) announces the launch of the Lily Pads Sunday Jazz Series. Betsy Dalton, Fundraiser Coordinator for UUCSC says the first of two fall concerts will be held Sunday, September 27, 2026 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of South County, 27 North Road, Peace Dale, RI 02879.

Kicking off the series will be jazz pianist Joe Parillo & the New Ensemble, featuring Wendy Klein on flute, George Dussault on guitar, Paula Clare on vocals, Rick Andre on drums, Lou Bocciarelli on bass, and Rick Couto on percussion.

Parillo, a widely respected pianist, composer and educator, has been a prominent presence in Rhode Island's jazz community for decades. For the Lily Pads performance, he brings together an ensemble of accomplished musicians for an evening showcasing the creativity and collaborative spirit of live jazz.

The series continues on Sunday, October 25, 2026, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., with Dan Moretti and the Hammond Boys, featuring Moretti on saxophone (and other wind instruments), Steve DeConti on guitar, Dave Limina on keyboard, and Mark Teixeira on drums..

Moretti, an acclaimed saxophonist, composer and educator, has performed and recorded nationally and internationally and is well known to New England jazz audiences. His appearance with the Hammond Boys promises another lively evening for jazz enthusiasts as well as those simply looking to enjoy outstanding live music close to home.

The Lily Pads Sunday Jazz Series is a celebration of the fabulous live music available right here in South County. Proceeds from the shows will be shared between the musicians and UUCSC, raising funds to help continue UUCSC programs and presence in the South County community.

"We wanted to create a welcoming Sunday evening gathering where people can hear exceptional musicians right here in South County while supporting both the artists and our congregation," said Dalton. "We hope Lily Pads becomes a place where musicians and audiences come together regularly for great jazz, a strong sense of community, and possibly other types of musical shows as well. Music restores the soul!"

Tickets are \$25 and will be available at the door. Doors open at 5:00 PM.

ABOUT UUCSC

The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of South County is a welcoming religious community in Peace Dale, Rhode Island, committed to community, connection, justice, spiritual exploration and service. The Lily Pads Sunday Jazz Series expands the congregation's role as a gathering place for arts and community in South County.