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New Orleans Jazz NHP, Partners Host James Baldwin Project Events

NEW ORLEANS, LA.: New Orleans Jazz National Historical Park, the James Baldwin Project, and community partners will host free film screenings of *James Baldwin: The Price of the Ticket*, an award-winning biographical documentary about poet, writer, and activist James Baldwin. Each event will feature the film, live music, and a conversation with filmmakers Karen Thorsen and Douglas K. Dempsey, community leaders, and featured musicians. Four of the five screening events are free and open to the public; another (not listed below) has been reserved for students at the New Orleans Center for Creative Arts. The James Baldwin Project <http://jamesbaldwinproject.org/> uses *James Baldwin: The Price of the Ticket* to engage communities, inspire dialogue across differences, encourage citizen-activists, and promote Baldwin's still-relevant clarion call for equality. More information is available at www.nps.gov/jazz or at 504-589-2265.

Screenings are scheduled for

- **Tuesday, May 9 – 6:00 pm at Sweet Lorraine's Jazz Club** 1931 St Claude Ave. Hosted by Fred Johnson and Black Men of Labor. Music by Greg Stafford.
- **Wednesday, May 10 - 12:30 pm at The Old US Mint** 400 Esplanade Ave. Hosted by New Orleans Jazz National Historical Park. Music by Ashlin Parker.
- **Thursday, May 11 – 6:00 pm at Ashé Cultural Arts Center** 1712 Oretha Castle Haley Blvd. Hosted by Ashé Cultural Arts Center and Dr. Jerry Ward. Music by Monica McIntyre.
- **Friday, May 12 – 6:00 pm at The Old US Mint** 400 Esplanade Ave. Hosted by New Orleans Jazz Museum and New Orleans Jazz National Historical Park. Music by Carl LeBlanc.

New Orleans Jazz National Historical Park is managed by the National Park Service and tells the story of the people and places that helped shape the birth and development of jazz in New Orleans. The free visitor center is located in the Old US Mint, 400 Esplanade Avenue, New Orleans, and is open Tuesday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (closed on federal holidays and on Mardi Gras). The center features programs and musical performances that are free and open to the public. Call 504-589-2265 or visit www.nps.gov/jazz for more information.

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