

SCHEDULE

Friday

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3:00 pm – 5:00 pm - Registration at the Hilton Garden Inn
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm - Registration at the Delmar Detroit
5:00 pm – 9:00 pm - Party at the Delmar Detroit
Entertainment: East Side Jazz Trio
Featuring Jason Hinz, from the Grunyons
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Saturday

Today's activities are at The Gem in the Gem Theatre.

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9:00 am - 3:00 pm - Registration

9:30 am - 11:00 am - Concert

11:00 am - 11:15 am - Break

11:15 am - 12:45 pm - More Concert

12:45 pm - 1:45 pm - Lunch

1:45 pm - 3:45 pm - Even More Concert

3:45 pm - 4:00 pm - Spring Sing 2024 Presentation

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm - AACA Board Meeting

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm - Free time for non-Board Members

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm - Cocktail Hour

7:00 pm - 11:30 pm - Plated Dinner and DJ Dance Party
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Sunday

Today's activities are at The Gem in the Century Theatre.

8:00 am - 8:45 am - Hymn sing 9:00 am - 10:30 am - Breakfast Buffet 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - Reprise

LOCATIONS

Hilton Garden Inn Detroit 351 Gratiot Ave Detroit, MI 48226

Delmar Detroit - Rooftop 501 Monroe Street Detroit, MI 48226

The Gem Theater

(a.k.a. The Gem) 333 Madison St Detroit, MI 48226

> Gem Theater WiFi SSID: Gem Guest Password: WiFi4Guest

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CONCERT

Grunyons

Impressions of Christmas by The Arbors Arr: Les Hooper

Spain by Chick Correa & Al Jarreau Arr: Bill Guard Soloist: Rick Spina

Noteworthy

Sing for Myself by W. Cabaniss/K. Connors Arr: J. Scott Soloist: Carrie Fisk

Landslide by S. Nicks Soloists: Carrie Fines, Callie Lewicki

Ellas & Fellas

Trashin' The Camp by Phil Collins Arr: Nic Marshall

Over The Rainbow by Harold Arlen Arr: Lexie Winch Skate by Silk Sonic Arr: John Birchler Soloists: Nicholas Hinz, Robert Alcantara

Can't Help Falling In Love by Pentatonix Arr: George Wu

Mr. Blue Sky By Electric Light Orchestra Arr: Joshua S. Duchan Soloist: Philip MacKethan

Trouble

by I. Azalea Arr: J. Scott Soloists: Carrie Fines, Liz LaRiviere, Callie Lewicki & Deb O'Brien

Can't Help Falling in Love

by E. Presley/Pentatonix Arr: L. Lussenhop

Sway by P. Ruiz/N. Gimbel Arr: J. Scott Soloist: Deb O'Brien, vocal perc: Liz LaRiviere

Helplessly Hoping by Stephen Stills Arr: Philip Lawson

Under The Boardwalk by Kenny Young and Arthur Resnick Arr: Lexie Winch Soloist: Jennifer Myers

Budapest by George Ezra Arr: Michael Milazzo



Counterparts

One Thought On My Mind by Ken Kraintz

Smile by Turner, Parsons, Chaplin Arr: Ben Bram I'm Feelin' Right by Ken Kraintz Arr: P. Alcantara Soloists: Bettsie Greenbaum, Julie Lopes & Ed Sweeney

Time After Time by Robert R. Birge

You Took The Words Right Out of My Mouth by Jim Steinman Arr: T. Tsai

CONCERT

New Wizard Oil Combination

Your Love by The Outfield Arr: Peter Zagone, Sam Ewig Soloist: Peter Zagone

Friday I'm In Love by The Cure Arr: Doug Haley Soloist: Doug Haley and Mark Klenk

Jersey Transit

Head Over Heels by Charlotte Caffey, Kathy Valentine Arr: Brian Lewis

Walking in Memphis by Marc Cohn Arr: Nick Meyer Soloist: Adam Nichols **Logical Song** by Supertramp Arr: John Farmer Soloists: John Farmer, Nick Gruber, Scott Zedack

Everybody Talks by Neon Trees Arr: Ben Hirshfield Soloists: Nick Gruber, Ben Hirshfield

Whatever It Takes (and more) by Imagine Dragons Arr: Mark Klenk Soloists: Sam Ewig, Ben Hirshfield

Heroes Listen by Alessandro Lindblad, et al.; David Guetta, et al. Arr: Chris Rishel

Good Job by Alicia Keys Arr: Nicole Coelho Soloist: Nicole Coelho

How We Change by Cinco Paul Arr: Steve Maria

LUNCH

Off Sounders

Too Darn Hot by Cole Porter (Kiss Me Kate) Arr: John Prestly Soloist: Tim Rhône

God Only Knows by Brian Wilson & Tony Asher

Lake Shore Jive

Shut Up and Dance by Walk The Moon Arr: Melissa Moulden Soloist: Emily Dillingham

We Are Never Getting Back Together by Taylor Swift Arr: Mick Gehr Soloist: Megan Melody Happy Holiday(s)/Chestnuts Roasting by Irving Berlin/Robert Wells & Mel Tormé Arr: Oak Thorne

Come Fly With Me

Proud Mary by John Fogerty C.C.R. Arr: RAS Soloist: Ben Bayers

Coney Island Baby/We All Fall Medley by Les Applegate, Joe Goodwin, George Meyer Arr: SPEBSQSA

In The Air Tonight by Phil Collins Arr: David DeVries Soloist: Tim Molsky

As Long As You Love Me by Backstreet Boys Arr: Russell Todd and Matt MacFadyen Soloists: Melissa Moulden, Jon Yan, Tim Molsky, Judi Riley

CONCERT

Augmented 8

I'm Beginning to See the Light

by Duke Ellington, Johnny Hodges, Harry James and Don George Arr. Bill Gard

I Will Follow

by James Taylor Arr: John Magnus Soloist: Josh Gotbaum

Motown Medley

by Norman Whitfield, Barry Strong, Edward Holland Jr., Smokey Robinson, Pete Moore, Mary Tarplin, Al Cleveland, Ronald White, Marvin Gaye, Mickey Stevenson, Ivy Jo Hunter Arr: Bill Cline Soloists: John, Terry, Brian, Paul S, Marty, Brian, Rick

Who's the Grinch

by Albert Hague, Dr. Seuss Arr: Tom Bulleit & Fred Young Narr: Josh Gotbaum Soloist: Fred Young

Crazy Little Thing Called Love

by Queen Arr: Nathan Reiff rev: Tom Bulleit w/Brian Glosh Soloist: Brian Glosh

The Works

Heard It Through the Grapevine by Norman Whitfield & Barrett Strong Arr: Mark Blaxill & Dana Cetlin Soloist: Sarah Lazarus

Never My Love by Don Addrisi & Dick Addrisi Arr: Roger Emerson Listen to the Music

by Tom Johnston Arr: Leon Dunkley & Mark Manassee

Love Shack by Kate Pierson Arr: Gabe Rutman

Imagine by John Lennon Arr: George Wu



<u>Augmented 8</u>



As we entered our 73d year, the Augmented 8 were sorry to lose **Bill Nussbaum** to his new love in Mattapoisett, MA, but delighted to welcome five (!) new members. Brian (T1) is a school music teacher and conductor who sang with and directed Sound Check at U.S.C. (Gamecocks, not Trojans) and who drags our average age down most satisfactorily. **Bob** (B2) hails from Yale's Spizzwinks(?), and **Marty** (T2) is a former Yale Glee Club President. **Paul** (T2) and **Terry** (B2) bring our number of Whiff alums to six. We were thrilled to get back to live singing this year, performing multiple holiday concerts and our annual **Sing Out for Shelter** concert to raise funds for charities supporting people experiencing homelessness in DC. This year's *DelMarValous* event featured groups from the Universities of Delaware (**Vocal Point**), Maryland (**DaCadence**) and Virginia (**The Virginia Gentleme**n). We are also pleased to be meeting all of the Grunyons' challenges: Beginning (again) to See the Light of Bill Gard, Grinching a Christmas song, Motowning a rep favorite, and even demonstrating our nimble "choreography."

1st Tenor Tom Bulleit* Brian Glosh John Symington

Baritone Reid Adler Bill Cline* Josh Gotbaum Fred Young

* Directors

2nd Tenor Rick Bond Steve Bosak Marty Brennan Paul Seligman

Bass Paul Kraske Bob Milius Peter Mucchetti Terry Mullin

Counterparts



Recovering from long COVID isolation resulted in having two members leave the group and many conflicted with returning to rehearsals for a long time. But now we're a happy and (relatively) healthy group of singers who enjoy close harmony, close friendships, and close rehearsal space to be ready for Spring Sing and some paying gigs! And the stars aligned for a Spring Sing date that has enabled all but one to attend this year. We're missing Tony Tsai, but his love for arranging songs helps fill the void from his absence. And you're finally getting to meet Tom Spalla, another doctor/tenor whose talents keep us sounding good and looking terrific!

Besides spending time on our music, some Counterparts have been busy with new jobs, buying a home, renovating a house, traveling and getting married. Getting married? Yes! Two weddings and we didn't even get to sing for them. Congratulations to Tom Spalla and his beautiful bride Cyndi Nguyen and to Queen Lisa and her new husband Carl Sweitzer. They say there's a song for every situation and this Spring Sing set is no exception. Our love songs are sure to bring a smile (or perhaps a blush) to everyone's face! Enjoy!

> Soprano Lisa Bennett* Bettsie Greenbaum Donna Rhoads

Alto 1 Jeannette Osmon Dianne Rotwitt

Alto 2 Julie Bray Julie Lopes Crystal Stubbs **Tenor** Mike Rhoads Tom Spalla Tony Tsai

Bass Mark Curchack Ed Sweeney

* Director

Ellas & Fellas



Ellacappella (now the blended group Ellas & Fellas) made our debut as a guest group at Spring Sing in 2014, hosted by The Counterparts in Delaware. (You never forget your first!) We were made "AACA Official" the following year in Boulder and haven't missed a Spring Sing since. So believe it or not, that makes this our 10th year! Yes, there were a couple of years when we had to settle for a virtual cocktail party over the real deal, but let's be honest, isn't Spring Sing really two thirds cocktail party anyhow? Whichever way you count it, we are proud to have been part of this incredible organization for nearly a decade.

While it was our distinct honor to host this historic event in Maine for the first time, in the 12 months since hosting in Bar Harbor the Ellas & Fellas have very much enjoyed NOT planning a Spring Sing. We have a new and exquisite appreciation for the amount of work involved. We loved having you in our neck of the woods but we're awfully glad to be doing the visiting this time around! Knowing the monumental nature of this task, we wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to the Grunyons for hosting this year and to The Works who are already well on their way to planning Spring Sing on The Cape. Thank you all! We're looking forward to these and many, many more Spring Sings to come.

Soprano

Lisa Lesko Lexie Winch*

Tenor Rebecca Duhaime Karen Milliken

Alto

Bonnie Hardy Kaylin Milazzo* Sherry Pfister

Bass Michael Milazzo Jennifer Myers

*Directors

<u>Grunyons</u>



The Grunyons are excited to once again be hosting Spring Sing in downtown Detroit. Because many of us are now retired and crave danger, we chose this year to tackle a Bill Guard arrangement he once vetoed because it "required effort" and therefore was outside our capacity. We may sing some other songs, but we're trying to set reasonable goals for ourselves and as you can see, we've been busy. As always, all criticism of our performance, attire, and general demeanor can be sent to tony.alcantara@gentlyusedxrays.biz.

1st Tenor David Fischer Nick Hinz Sandy McMillan John Prost

Baritone

Tony Alcantara* Bob Montgomery Steve Redding Rick Spina

* Director

2nd Tenor

John Birchler** Bill Flom Philip MacKethan Tim Malefyt

Bass

Robert Alcantara Jeff Beggs Jason Hinz Bob Shrosbree

**Assistant Director

<u>Jersey Transit</u>



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Jersey Transit is in the house! When we last saw our heroes, Victor was doing even more lawyering, Alisa was running a business, Adam was doing even more soccer coaching, Andrea was bouncing between software training and wrangling teen angst, Matt was making more and more sunscreen (SPF 1,000,000 is coming any day), Nicole was still getting people to pay her to pick up heavy metal objects, Laura was trying to keep up with her husband's 48 state golf tour, Kim N. was still singing in 27 different musical ensembles, Marla took her Tina Turner act on the road, Steve was still engineering, and Brian was Starbucking AND he got married! Even better, Marla is here in-person this year and we have two shiny new members: Mezzo-soprano Kim M, who traded barbershop for us, what was she thinking (?), and Bass/baritone Danny, who got tired of his coworker Engineer Steve talking about auditioning for us. Alas, Victor cannot join us this year, and we miss him. But the biggest news of all: WE AGED BACKWARD, as evidenced by our adorable and youthful photos. Can you guess who is who? Thrilled to be back in the Motor City, and thanks to the Grunyons for hosting!

Soprano	Alto	
Nicole Coelho **	Kim Neighbor	
Kim Mann †	Andrea Schwartz	
Laura McMillan	Alisa Warner	
Marla Pilar		
	Bass	
Tenor	Danny Kumpf †	
Steve Maria	Brian Lewis*	
Victor Medina	Matt Lohr	
Adam Nichols		
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* Director **Assistant Director

† New Member

Lake Shore Jive



For 29 years (yes, our group was founded before our two youngest members were born), Lake Shore Jive has been sharing our harmonious voices with Chicago — affectionately known as Chitown, The Second City, or The Windy City. Much has changed since then... Gas is up almost \$3 more per gallon, Netflix killed Blockbuster, Walkmen are a thing of the past, and America's favorite couple split up. No, not Ross and Rachel — Bill and Melinda Gates. But a lot has remained the same too. A cappella music is still cool (some might say even more so), political scandals still exist, mom jeans are back in style, and Beavis and Butthead are on tv again. And, we still sing Lonesome Road!

Jive is thrilled to be a part of this year's Spring Sing in Detroit — affectionately known as The Motor City, Motown, or our favorite, The D. (Obviously this nickname is our favorite solely because it's a musical reference, and has absolutely nothing to do with Jive's very mature sense of humor. Any innuendo associated with it is purely coincidental.)

We've said it before, but it's worth repeating: We love the D. We've missed the D. Without it, there is a hole in our hearts that can only be filled by the D. We always look forward to coming back to the D — going downtown and spending time with all of you, while enjoying the many pleasurable experiences the D can provide. Happy Spring Sing!

Sopranos Emily Dillingham Judi Riley

> Tenors Mick Gehr* Tim Molsky Jon Yan

Altos Megan Melody Melissa Shubalis Moulden*

> **Basses** Jared Beverly Griffin Dassatti

* Co-Directors

New Wizard Oil Combination



2022-23 is a great year for the Wizards—our 50th anniversary! And we are happy to report we are definitely on a high note. Despite losing a key member recently, our new members are bringing us tremendous new talent and spirit. As we gather each week to rehearse, the chatter and laughter is loud, raucous and contagious. Our camaraderie is palpable. Those who have been with us the longest feel we're quite possibly stronger as a group than ever! There have been changes: We miss Michael Duran (tenor and lead) very much. He has retired after 14 years with the Wizards to enjoy time with his newfound love in Palm Springs. Thankfully we get to see and sing with him on occasion. But we are excited to welcome Mike Chrzanowski (bass) to the group. He and Ben Hirshfield sang together in The Hamilton College Buffers in New York. Welcome Mike!

We are also excited that we have some first-time arrangers in the Wizards, which means we did not need to source new songs from outside the group. That continues a long-time Wizard tradition we hope to carry well into our next 50 years.

Our joy in gathering each week is as high as ever--as much for seeing each other, as for singing! Perhaps that is the secret to our longevity and youthful joy in singing. It's a great time to be a Wizard!

1st Tenor

Mark Klenk** Peter Zagone** Scott Zedack**

Baritone Sam Ewig John Farmer** Doug Haley** Sam Stott* 2nd Tenor Nick Gruber Jim Keller Jack Miller

Bass David Barnes Mike Chrzanowski Ben Hirshfield Alan Welty

* Director

** Asst. Director

Noteworthy



Noteworthy is delighted to be back at Spring Sing. After hosting a LANDSLIDE SS 2019 in Detroit, it was a ROYAL disappointment to miss the last three years. While we were all away, the SOUNDS OF SILENCE were echoed nationwide. Many of us probably did a lot of solo SINGING FOR OURSELVES. And notwithstanding all the TROUBLES we each experienced during covid and beyond, Noteworthy CAN'T HELP FALLING IN LOVE WITH SS all over again.

As for news, did you know we added a new soprano who has sung on Broadway? You will enjoy Carrie's voice and her spirit. We look forward to taking the stage and SWAYING to your music. Welcome back to Motown!

> 1st Sopranos Carrie Fines Carrie Fisk Deb O'Brien

1st Altos Callie Lewicki Liz LaRiviere Pam Montgomery

*Director

2nd Sopranos

Tracy Blatt Mimi Crawford Barb Widener*

2nd Altos

Tracy Allen Susan Durant Debi Ihrie Carol Rhoades

<u>Off Sounders</u>



We are pleased to return to Detroit, the Motor City, birthplace of Motown Records with its original headquarters Hitsville U.S.A. Detroit is also the birthplace of one of our more famous Greenwich residents, Diana Ross.

The Off Sounders have continued to experience a youth movement. Last year in Bar Harbor we introduced you to Clay Kaufman our Music Director, Wes Oler whose grandfather of same name was a prominent member of the Augmented Eight, and Ben Bayers refugee from the Wizards. We also brought in a ringer bass from Maine, Buzz's nephew, Erik Perry. This year Ben has brought in two men with whom he sang in college, Tim Rhône and Alec Bandzes. They all sang together in a Fairfield University group called The Bensonians. Ben swears it was not named after him, so we googled it and it appears that the University's address is indeed on North Benson Road. (We may give Ben a pass). We rang the bell again this year and Erik emerged out of the Maine woods to rejoin us in Detroit. Our entire baritone section was relieved to have a true bass sing with us. The alternative was testosterone injections. If you encounter an Off Sounder whose voice sounds low and gravelly, either he did not get the memo and is on steroids, or, more likely, it is the Sunday reprise....

> 1st Tenor Ben Bayers Buzz Moore Tim Rhône

2nd Tenor Alec Bandez Mark De Riemer H Peet Foster Wes Oler Baritone RJ Berardi** Clay Kaufman* Edward Krumeich

> **Bass** Erik Perry

* Director ** Beat Box

The Works



The Works remain a happy and harmonious octet of four women and four men who love to sing together. As we approach our group's 30th anniversary in 2024, we can look back over the decades and realize how blessed we are to have solid and caring friends whom we see at weekly rehearsals. Sometimes that means more facetime (original meaning) than we have with our long-suffering spouses and adult offspring.

Following stellar examples established by Ellas & Fellas (at last year's Maine event), and by our dedicated Detroit hosts (the groovy Grunyons), we Worksers have been eagerly and diligently preparing to make next year's Spring Sing one for the history books!

For more on The Works: Please visit our website at <u>https://theworkssing.net</u>. You can reach any of our members by email using this format: <u>firstname@theworkssing.net</u>

Thank you Grunyons, and copious congrats on a job well done!

Soprano Jill Blaszkowsky Carol Rumpler

Alto

Ruthanne Larsen Brown Sarah Lazarus **Tenor** Daniel Gorin* Dana Cetlin Patrick Rafter

Bass Schuyler (Sky) Lance

* Director



Campus Martius Sightseeing and shopping along Woodward Parc restaurant Outdoor bars 0.5 Miles from The Gem

Detroit Riverwalk Named the Best Riverwalk in America three years in a row!! Start at the GM Plaza Promenade at the Renaissance Center 0.8 Miles from The Gem

> Detroit Institute of Art 1.9 Miles from The Gem

Detroit Historical Museum 2.1 Miles from The Gem

Hollywood Casino at Greektown 0.4 Miles from The Gem

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Near By Watering Holes

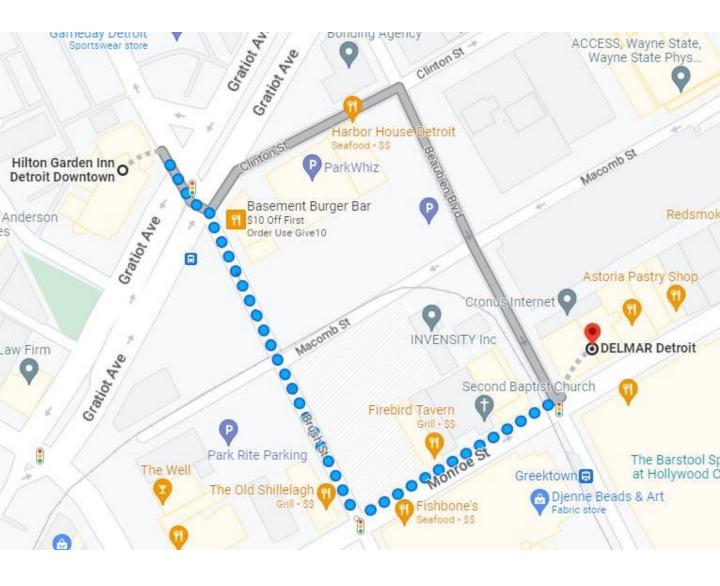
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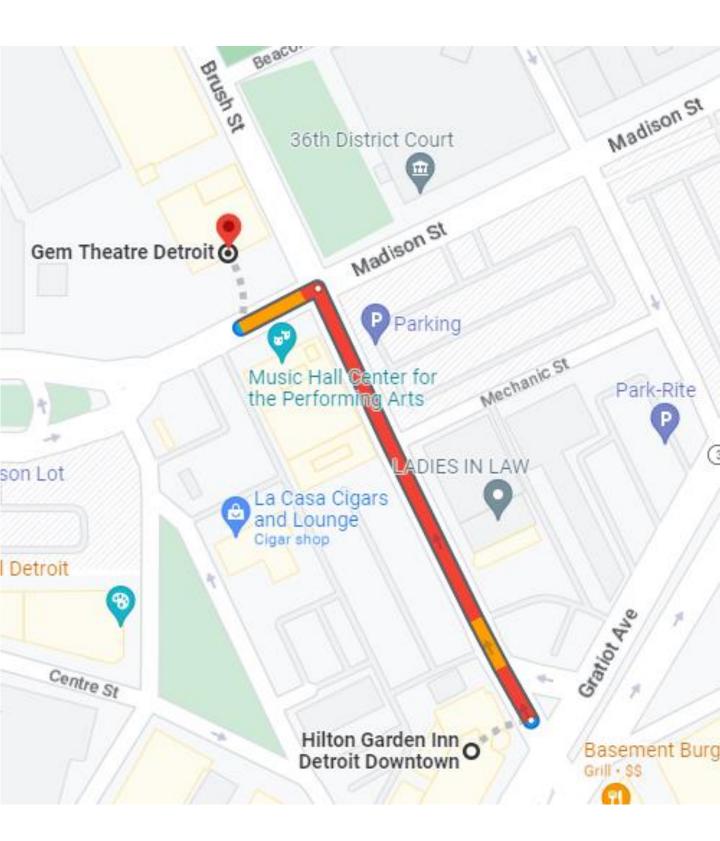
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Warm Up Schedule

Group	Performance time slot	Warm up time slot	Warm Up Room
Grunyons	9:30am – 10:00am	8:00am – 9:30am	1
Noteworthy	10:00am – 10:30am	8:00am – 10:00am	2
Ellas & Fellas	10:30am – 11:00am	8:00am – 10:30am	3
Counterparts	11:15am – 11:45am	8:00am – 11:15am	4
Wizards	11:45am – 12:15pm	9:30am – 11:45pm	1
Jersey Transit	12:15pm – 12:45pm	10:00am – 12:15pm	2
Off Sounders	1:45pm – 2:15pm	11:45am – 1:45pm	1
Lake Shore Jive	2:15pm – 2:45pm	12:15pm – 2:15pm	2
Augmented 8	2:45pm – 3:15pm	10:30am – 2:45pm	3
The Works	3:15pm – 3:45pm	11:15am – 3:15pm	4

All Warm Up Rooms are at The Gem and will be clearly marked with signage.







