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Vibrato favorites return and new jazz stars debut at Herb Alpert's Bel Air jazz club in April

Thursday April 5th - Leah Zeger Quartet

Violinist and vocalist Leah Zeger makes her debut at Vibrato tonight at 8:00 p.m. The Texas native, who is the youngest member of the Austin Symphony Orchestra, has performed her eclectic range of bluegrass, flamenco, jazz and blues worldwide with Yo Yo Ma, Elvis Costello and Pearl Jam, to name a few. On Thursday, Zeger will perform with Dennis Hamm, guitar; Pat Senatore, bass; and lajhi Hamaden, drums.



Tuesday April 10th - Brenna Whitaker

No stranger to the stage, Brenna Whitaker has made an impression on the jazz scene in Los Angeles with her vintage tunes and powerful vocals, taking inspiration from the likes of Etta James, Peggy Lee and Nina Simone. Whitaker returns to Vibrato on April 10th with her Little Big Band (Sam Barsh, piano; Ryan Cross, bass; ladhi Hamden, drums; Wes Smith, saxophone; Christopher Bautista, trumpet) for a



performance at 8:00 p.m. Admission will be \$20.

Sunday April 15th - Seth MacFarlane

Seth MacFarlane, well known as the creator of Family Guy, is also a pianist and singer in the Big Band style. His 2010 debut album, "Music Is Better Than Words," "places [him] squarely in Sinatra territory," Chris Willman of TheWrap says. MacFarlane is a familiar face on the Vibrato stage, and returns to perform 50s-era tunes with the Ron Jones Orchestra, some of LA's top



session players, April 15th at 7:30 and 9:00 p.m. Admission will be \$25.

Sunday April 22nd - Agoura High School Big Bands

Agoura High School Studio Big Band, directed by John Mosley, and Agoura High School Studio Jazz Combos, directed by Dave Robaire, will perform at Vibrato from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. on April 22nd. Come out to support your local jazz stars of tomorrow!



Thursday April 24th - Frank Stallone

Frank Stallone is a Grammy and Golden Globe nominated artist for his composition "Far From Over," the hit single from 1983's film "Staying Alive." "I wanted to be a musician and singer from the very first time I opened my mouth," he recalls. Stallone revisits the Vibrato stage on April 24th at 8:30 p.m. to perform in the American Songbook style. Stallone rocked the house at his last Vibrato show with Jimi Hendrix's "Foxy Lady." Admission will be \$20.



Saturday April 28th - Mark Copeland

Packing the room last time he was at Vibrato, you wouldn't know that Mark Copeland is a stockbroker by day. Copeland, likened to Frank Sinatra, has had equally impressive performances, including twice at the Academy Awards Governor's Ball, the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Roy and Patricia Disney, as well as Rob and Marisol Thomas' nuptials. Brian O'Rourk, piano; Rickey Woodward, saxophone; and Pat



Senatore, bass, join him for the 9:00 p.m. show.

Vibrato Grill Jazz - Performance Calendar

A unique environment located in the heart of Beverly Glen Circle, Vibrato boasts perfect acoustics with impeccable food. "My ambition is to have a club where you feel comfortable, where great musicians can play and appreciate sound and feeling - a venue for jazz players to perform," says eight-time Grammy winner Alpert, who occasionally plays at Vibrato with his wife, **Lani Hall**, the Brasil 66 singer and Grammy winner for her Latin album, "Es Facil Amar."

Vibrato seats one hundred around the stage and more on the balcony overlooking the club, designed by artist Alpert and decorator Clodagh. "The acoustics are a key component of the design," says Alpert, whose art hangs in the club. "Wood and music create good sound. I used the A&M recording studio designer to make sure that the acoustics were right," says Alpert.

Steve Oney, Los Angeles Magazine, May 2011 said: "Vibrato [has] cozy wooden interiors, perfect sight lines from every seat, and state-of-the-art acoustics... exactly what Herb Alpert had in mind when he started it. 'There are so many great musicians in L.A.,' he says, 'I run the place so they'll have somewhere to play.'"

Vibrato Grill, Jazz, Etc. is an Herb Alpert restaurant in partnership with Gregg and Bob Smith of Smith Brothers restaurants.

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