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Phipps' Jazz in the Garden Brings Classics by Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and More into Full Bloom
Pittsburgh public garden hosts all-star line-up of Pittsburgh jazz greats for Big Band bash.

Pittsburgh, Pa. — On Thursday, May 28, from 7 – 10 p.m., [Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens](#) will host [Jazz in the Garden](#)— a special evening of music, blooms and libations in the Outdoor Garden. Pittsburghers will not want to miss this unique chance to hear the Benny Benack Big Band, led by **Benny Benack, Jr.** and **Benny Benack III** on sax and trumpet, as they perform beloved classics by Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Bobby Darin, Sammy Davis, Jr. and more.

The Benacks carry on a musical family legacy that has been a part of the local jazz scene for more than 50 years. They will be joined by saxophonists **Eric DeFade** and **Rick Matt**; trombonists **Bob Matchett** and **Kevin McManus**; **Lou Pisani**, **Joe Herndon** and **Joe Badaczewski** on trumpets; keyboardist **Max Leake**; bassist **Mike Houlis**; and drummer **David Glover**. Vocalist **Tania Grubbs** will also take the stage as the opening act.

Tickets are going fast and V.I.P. spots have already sold out. Reservations, required by May 21, can be made at phipps.conservatory.org or by calling 412/622-6915, ext. 6505. General admission costs \$25 for Phipps members and \$30 for nonmembers. Picnic meals can be ordered for \$20; there will be a cash bar.

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About Phipps: Founded in 1893, Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens in Pittsburgh, Pa. is a green leader among public gardens with a mission to inspire and educate all with the beauty and importance of plants; to advance sustainability and promote human and environmental well-being through action and research; and to celebrate its historic glasshouse. Learn more: phipps.conservatory.org.

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