

The Virgin Islands Consortium

Jazz In The Park To Feature Trinidadian Trumpeter Etienne Charles, Other Artists

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Louis Armstrong once said, "To jazz, or not to jazz, there is no question!"

St. Thomas -- International Capital & Management Company has announced the expanded version of their "Jazz in the Park," music series, scheduled to take place on Saturday, July 25th, 2015 from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in Roosevelt Park.

New York-based, Trinidadian Jazz great, Etienne Charles will serve as the evening's headliner, followed by Jazz vocalist Lori Williams and her ensemble direct from Washington DC. Both bring their unique Jazz styles to the main stage along with some popular Jazz standards. The V.I.'s Flip Switch Band and the Jah Soljah's Band, along

with a host of other local talent will *rock* the second stage.

“As the ‘Jazz in the Park’ event continues to evolve and grow, our hope is to continue to make the event engaging by offering innovative items, as we continue to move this highly” says ICMC Director of Community Relations, Karen Nelson-



Jazz vocalist Lori Williams will perform with her ensemble

direct from Washington DC.

In addition to expanding the event to include an additional stage featuring varied genres of music, the free event will also feature three major components including a Health and Wellness Expo, a Cultural Korner and a VI Art Walk featuring original art work from artists young and old.

A multitude of local vendors will participate in the “Vendor’s Row” areas that will feature art, food, and other locally made products for sale as well as cultural storytelling and cultural arts and crafts for the children.

“As one of ICMC’s signature community events, we always want to keep building on the wonderful positive momentum and community spirit that the event has and continues to evoke as it lives up to its mantra to ‘Bring the community together through music,’” explains ICMC President, Cornel Williams. “At ICMC, we also feel strongly about partnering with the missions of organizations such as Downtown Revitalization, Inc. in an effort to continue to bring life, culture and energy back to the once burgeoning downtown St. Thomas area.”

ICMC is asking residents to join them as they bring the biggest “Jazz in the Park” music series to date, according to the release.

Sponsors include: Innovative, USVI Dept. of Tourism, Barefoot Wines and Budweiser, CFVI, United Jazz Foundation and Mentoring through the Arts of Music.

Vendors wishing to participate should call 340-777-1302. For more information, contact Karen Nelson-Hughes at hughesk@icm cvi.com or via phone at 340-777-1302. *Feature Image: Trinidadian Jazz great, Etienne Charles.*

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