

Jazz at Cutler Park Music Performance Contract

This contract is by and between the City of Waukesha, 201 Delafield Street, Waukesha, Wisconsin 53188, referred to herein as the City; and Carmen Nickerson, 1954 South 77th Street, West Allis, Wisconsin 53219, referred to herein as the Artist.

The City sponsors jazz performances at the Les Paul Performance Center at Cutler Park in Waukesha, an event called Jazz at Cutler Park. City wishes to engage Artist for a performance at Jazz at Cutler Park, and Artist is willing to perform. In consideration of the mutual promises herein, the City and Artist agree as follows:

1. Artist will perform as a five-piece combo, performing jazz music including standards and Artist's own original compositions. Song selection is in the Artist's discretion, provided the jazz theme is kept.
2. Artist will perform a two-hour show, with one 15-minute break midway through the performance, at the Les Paul Performance Center at Cutler Park, 321 Wisconsin Avenue, Waukesha, Wisconsin. If possible, no break is preferred, in order to keep the audience.
3. The performance will take place on July 30, 2025, from 7 pm to 9 pm. Set-up can start at 5 pm, and Artist must be ready for sound check at 6:30 pm.
4. City shall pay Artist \$750 for the performance, upon completion of the performance. Artist shall provide a W-9 indicating the payee and the payee's tax identification number before payment is made.
5. City shall provide sound-reinforcement equipment, including microphones and two floor monitors, and lighting, and an operator. No backline will be provided, and performers must bring their own stage amps. Any special sound-equipment requirements must be communicated to the City at least a week before the performance. Equipment brought by Artist shall not be available for use by any other performers without Artist's express permission.
6. City shall provide 120V grounded electric service sufficient to operate all backline and electric instruments. The bandshell is fully covered and protected from the elements.
7. City shall provide bottled water for Artist and her combo.
8. The Les Paul Performance Center is an outdoor venue with a bandshell, bench seating and a lawn area for attendees to use their own chairs. Performances are subject to weather conditions, and may be cancelled if conditions are unfavorable. Weather is unpredictable, and cancellations may have to be made close to show time. If cancellations are made after 3 pm the day of the performance, the full fee will still be paid to Artist. If cancellations are made the day of the performance but before 3 pm, half of the fee will be paid to Artist. If cancellations are made before the day of the performance, no fee will be paid to Artist. Every effort will be made to re-schedule cancelled performances, subject to the same terms.

Artist:

By Carmen Nickerson
Date: _____

City of Waukesha:

By Shawn N. Reilly, Mayor
Date: _____

Linda Gourdoux, City Clerk
Date: _____