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CALENDAR ITEM

Jazz on the Chesapeake Sets Dates for the 2011 Monty Alexander Jazz Festival

The highly successful Monty Alexander Jazz Festival is set for a bigger than ever repeat performance this Labor Day weekend. The Festival is presented by Jazz on the Chesapeake, the recently named program of Chesapeake Chamber Music responsible for CCM's jazz offerings to the community. The incomparable jazz pianist, Monty Alexander, who serves as namesake and artistic director of the Festival, will headline the Saturday September 3 evening concert at Easton's historic Avalon Theatre. Grace Kelly, the vibrant young saxophonist who wowed audiences at last year's Festival will be back by popular demand for an evening concert on Friday, September 2. The expanded Festival program for 2011 includes plans to turn Easton's historic district into a Café Jazz scene on Saturday with wall-to-wall jazz from noon to 10:00 p.m. Stay tuned for more information on Festival events and ticket availability at ChesapeakeChamberMusic.org/jazz, on Facebook at "Chesapeake Chamber Music Presents: The Monty Alexander Jazz Festival," or by calling 410 819-0380.

CUTLINES:

Photo 1: Pictured is Grace Kelly at the 2010 Monty Alexander Jazz Festival.

Photo 2: Pictured is Monty Alexander, the namesake and artistic director of the Monty Alexander Jazz Festival, to be held September 2 – 3, 2011. (Photos courtesy of Jerry Michael)



