

Panama Jazz Festival 2016 honors the great jazz musician Randy Weston

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The Panama Jazz Festival (PJF) in its thirteenth edition is proud to honor the contribution of the legendary U.S. pianist, Randy Weston from Monday 11 to Saturday, January 16, 2016, announced the founder of this international event, the Panamanian jazzman, Danilo Perez.

Weston, who has previously participated in the Panama Jazz Festival, will be the main figure among the series of talented international jazz players, like the saxophonist, Rudresh Mahantappa; the singer Dominique Eade; the pianist, Geri Allen; the drummer; Terry Lyne Carrington, as well as the U.S. the Kevin Harris Project; the Tal Gamlieli Trío from



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Jerusalem; the Retro Jazz of Dominican Republic; the John & Tom Patitucci Quarter; the Italian singer Sissy Castrogiovanni and the Puerto Rican singers Danny Rivera and Tony Vega.

The tribute to a figure like Randy Weston is recognition to the musical tradition that has been characterized by the respect to the African continent culture, tradition and spirituality

through a musical career, whose contribution has meant important milestones for jazz and blues, explained the event organizers.

“The festival is the most important annual event organized by the Danilo Perez Foundation, where society is transformed positively through music. I invite everybody to celebrate with music to create a rhythm that inspires peace, love and brotherhood,” added Perez.

The Panama Jazz Festival will start from 4 p.m. at the Convention Center Auditorium of the City of Knowledge.

Other performances will take place at the City of Knowledge Atheneum from 7:30pm. Later on, at the Danilo’s Jazz Club, located next to the American Trade Hotel in Casco Antiguo, the night will close with two music sets at 9 and 11 p.m. The Jam Sessions will start from midnight until 2 a.m.