Frequently Asked Questions

What is the O’Hare Jazz Fest?
The O’Hare Jazz Fest is a three day (with an optional extra day on Thursday Aug 5th) music vacation in Chicago near O’Hare airport. Unlike any other Jazz Fest ever held. It’s upscale and intimate. Only 250 seats in our showroom that includes cabaret style table seating. It’s inside the Loews Chicago O’Hare hotel and your hotel room is just steps away from all the shows, special events, artist meet & greets and three restaurants onsite.

What are the Festival Dates?
Friday August 6th thru Sunday August 8th, 2021*
Optional Thursday night add on for those that would like to get started early*
* extra optional night on Thursday August 5th (additional cost) that includes additional night hotel room, Thursday night “welcome show” & exclusive extra hang & meet/greet event w/ Jonathan Butler

Who are the Artists Performing?
Jonathan Butler is hosting the O’Hare Jazz Fest. In addition to hosting, Jonathan will be doing his show along with participating in the late-night jam sessions and special events
Our other headliners include Gerald Albright, Euge Groove, Paul Taylor, Nick Colionne, Marion Meadows, Vincent Ingala, Althea Rene and many more artists – and you’ll have a chance to see them all and their shows up close

What is the Festival Schedule?
Friday Music will start at 04:00 PM and will run until at least Midnight.
Saturday Music will start at 03:00 PM and will run until at least Midnight.
Sunday Music will start at 12:30 PM and run until at least 02:30 PM.

What is included in the Festival Package?
2 Nights Hotel, Sunday Brunch, 4 Headliner shows Friday Night, Late night Jam hosted by Nick Colionne that includes the Friday headliners, Artist interactive events throughout the day, 4 Headliner shows Saturday Night, MORE Artist interactive events throughout the day, Late night Jam hosted by Nick Colionne that includes the headliners from Saturday & Sunday. Sunday brunch and two more headliners taking the stage on Sunday with a Parting Song from Jonathan Butler.

How much are the Festival Packages?
Starting prices with everything listed above at just $799* per person for our bronze seating (it’s going fast) $899* per person for our Silver package, $999* will get you to GOLD seating while $1,099* will get you to Platinum and $1,199* to VIP seating. *Prices are per person based on a double occupancy hotel room. For singles not sharing a hotel room with another person – call 630-398-6955 for pricing.

What is the different between the Silver, Gold, Platinum and VIP seating?
The difference is the location of your seats and your tables. VIP and Platinum seats/tables are closest to the front of the stage. With that being the case, with the intimate showroom seats just over 250 fans. So there are no bad seats, just some a bit closer to the stage.

How Do I order tickets?
You can go to OhareJazzFest.com and click on Tickets an the “tickets and pricing” page. Or just click on this link https://buy.ticketstothecity.com/purchase.php?date_id=32452
How do I pay for my tickets?
We accept all types of credit and debit cards. We also have easy payment plans – if you can’t or prefer not to pay in full when you book your O’Hare Jazz Fest music vacation.

Can I pay by check?
Yes, this can be done as well. You will need to call Henry Anderson at 630 398 6955 for additional information and assistance.

Do I need to pay in full at time of booking?
No, we will be happy to put you into a payment plan for your ease of use. We are running low on time so all plans are currently across 4 payments and will soon be going to 3.

Is there a payment plan available?
Yes, we have a payment plan (if needed) call 630-398-6955 if you want to us the “payment plan”
We accept all major credit cards.
We also accept PayPal & PayPal Credit is currently offering 6 month no interest financing

Is the Festival indoors or outdoors?
Indoors (inside the hotel showroom) and Air Conditioned – Enjoy all the shows in comfort. Did we mention the showroom has “GREAT” acoustics?

What type of seating & how many seats are in the *intimate* showroom?
Seating in our intimate, upscale showroom is cabaret style table seating – comfortable chairs that can be moved as needed. You sit at a small table (so you have a place to set down your drink) with all seats facing forward toward the stage. Seats 1 & 4 are the front seats at the table. Seats 2 & 3 are the back two seats at the table. Total number of seats is Just over 250 seats for this event.

Is there a seating chart I can view?
Yes – to view the Seating Chart – Click Here - → https://smoothchicago.com/Update-OJF-Seating-LOW-RES.jpg

I usually wait till the last minute to book – will tickets still be available?
NO – This is an “intimate” festival with only 250 available seats. YOU are up close
This is NOT a venue with thousands of seats. Every day we get closer to being sold out

What is the name & location of the hotel where the festival is located?
Loews Chicago O’Hare Hotel 5300 N River Road, Rosemont, IL 60016

How far is my hotel room from the showroom?
A short walk just across the hotel lobby. 2 minutes

What is the ground transportation provided from O’Hare Airport?
Loews Chicago O’Hare Hotel has a Hotel Shuttle that runs every 15 mins to and from O’Hare Airport - To access the Hotel Shuttle after landing and picking up your luggage – from the Baggage Claim Area – Follow Signs to the Shuttle Bus Center /

When returning to O’Hare Airport (to return home) Meet the hotel shuttle at the front of the hotel – the hotel shuttle will take you back to O’Hare and drop you off at your airline

How far is the Loews hotel from Chicago’s O’Hare Airport?
A short 6 to 8-minute shuttle bus ride from ORD to the Loews Chicago O’Hare Hotel

How far is the Loews hotel from Chicago’s Midway Airport?
Approximately 30 to 45 minutes depending on traffic (note – the Loews Hotel does NOT have a shuttle to/from Chicago’s MDW Midway airport). If possible, we recommend you fly into O’Hare Airport
If I fly into Midway – instead of O’Hare, what are my ground transportation options?
Your ground transportation options from MDW Midway Airport include Uber, Lyft, Taxi or Car Rental

Is in and out parking allowed – if we want to leave property
Yes, this is prepaid by OHareJazzFest.com

Is Food or drink available in the festival showroom?
Drinks purchased at the hotel bar are certainly allowed in the show room and you will have a convenient small table to rest them on. Food items are not, other than snack items.

Am I allowed to take pictures or video during the show?
Yes, we encourage it and the posting and sharing so long as they are NOT full songs and the Artist on stage has not explicitly stated not to. When taking your photos, please do so from your seat and be considerate of those around and behind you.

Can I purchase individual shows or single day tickets instead of the entire festival?
There will be an “extra” show on Sunday afternoon with Paul Taylor, Marion Meadows and a special appearance by Jonathan Butler. This will take place “after” the “full” festival concludes. So, tickets for the Sunday afternoon show will be available soon. But for the shows on Friday and Saturday, those shows will only be available to those that purchase the full festival.

If I decide to come to Chicago before the festival or stay in town after the festival, are discounted rooms at the Loews Chicago O’Hare Hotel available before/after the fest?
Yes, the rate will be $179.00 per night plus taxes @ 14%.

Do you have other festivals or shows planned before or after O’Hare Jazz Fest?
Yes, we are running shows all through the year in the same showroom you are in for this festival. Visit www.SmoothChicago.com for information on those other shows throughout the year. For other “intimate and upscale festivals later in 2020 and coming in 2021 – visit www.JazzFestTravel.com We will be announcing more shows and festival in other locations in the country very soon.

Who are we?
We have been creating, presenting and managing shows in the Smooth & Contemporary Jazz (and R&B) Shows in the Chicago area and beyond for more than 20 years. We are part of SmoothChicago.com and also and hold major jazz concerts (with all your favorite artists) twice a month inside the Loews Chicago O’Hare Hotel – for more information on our “other” shows – visit https://SmoothChicago.com

Location
Where is the festival taking place?
At the Loews O’Hare Hotel
5300 N. River Road
Rosemont, IL. 60018

Do you have the phone number to the hotel?
The main number is 847-544-5300

Restaurants
Are there any good restaurants nearby?
Yes, there are MANY. Three at the Loews Hotel
Inside the hotel – there is “The Ashburn”

In front of the hotel is – McCormick and Schmick’s (Seafood) & Capital Grille (Steakhouse)

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McCormick and Schmick’s  
5320 N River Road,  
Rosemont, IL. 60018  
847-233-3736  

Capital Grille  
5340 N. River Road  
Rosemont, IL. 60018  
847-671-8125  

Just a block to the north (5-minute walk)  
Morton’s Steak House  
9525 Bryn Mawr Ave.  
Rosemont, IL. 60018  
847-678-5155  
https://www.mortons.com/rosemont/

Just around the corner to the south and a half block to the west (4-minute walk)  
Maria’ Mexican Restaurant  
9440 Foster Ave.  
Chicago, IL. 60656  
Don’t let the address fool you, this is right at the back of the hotel property.  
773-992-2288  
If you cross the street (Foster Ave.) to the south you’re in Schiller Park, IL.  
http://mariasmexicanrestaurant.com/foster/

1 Block to the North and 1 block to the west (9-minute walk)  
FOG De Choi Brazilian Steak House  
5460 Park Place  
Rosemont, IL. 60018  
847-678-7200  
https://fogodechao.com/location/rosemont/

IS there any shopping near to the Hotel?  
Yes, less than 2 blocks to the west  
Fashion Outlets of Chicago  
5220 Fashion Outlets Way  
Rosemont, IL. 60018

AMENITIES at THE HOTEL

Is there a health club – workout room at the hotel?  
Yes, it’s on the main floor right behind the front desk and accessible right from the main hotel elevators.

Is there a pool at the Hotel?  
No, this is not an available option on the property.

Is there a business center at the Hotel?  
Yes, It’s on the main floor in the Museo hall west of the Ashburn Restaurant.

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Will there be a lot of down time with nothing going on?
Depends on what you consider a lot and what time of day you may be referencing. This is about living in the lifestyle with your favorite smooth jazz artists. Keeping you up close, interacting and engaged with these incredible talent people is the best way to enjoy the music and the lifestyle.

What time will things start each day.
Starting about 01:00 PM each day with artist interactive events and music starting shortly after, not really. Of course from Breakfast through Lunch there will be time to eat, mingle and run into your favorite artists. As we get closer we will send a timeline schedule to all out guests.

How much music will I hear each day? The real concert time music!!
We will be scheduling no less than 5 hours of music each day as part of the Full Festival package.

Doing have any options on packages I purchase?
Two different options – 1) You can purchase the FULL festival package that includes everything including your hotel accommodations at the Loews O’Hare Hotel during the Festival. 2) If you are local and do not want to stay overnight at the Loews Chicago O’Hare Hotel – you can purchase the Full Festival Package without the hotel and Sunday Brunch.

OH……. For those that just can’t get enough…… there is a Thursday option with and without a room. The early Bird Meet and Greet with Jonathan Butler and an incredible night of music with Gerey Johnson and the Chicago Experience.
Friday August 6 thru Sunday August 8, 2021

with performances by:
JONATHAN BUTLER
GERALD ALBRIGHT
EUGE GROOVE
MARION MEADOWS
PAUL TAYLOR
NICK COLIONNE
VINCENT INGALA
ALTHEA RENE
MARQUEAL JORDAN
LIN ROUNTREE

The most upscale & intimate Jazz Fest ever held!

See your favorite artists UP/CLOSE
- in our intimate 250 seat showroom

Seating is comfortable
Cabaret Style Table Seating
DON'T DELAY! Only 250 seats can be sold!

Your hotel room - steps away from the shows

Optional Thursday Night show & hotel available

Your music vacation package includes all shows, hotel room &
ground transportation from / to Chicago’s O’Hare (ORD) Airport
Free Indoor Parking for those driving to Fest

O’HARE JAZZ FEST Location - SmoothChicago.com Showroom
LOEWS CHICAGO O’HARE HOTEL 5300 N RIVER RD ROSEMONT, IL

For tickets or more information

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Phone (630) 398-6955

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