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Jazz at Lincoln Center: *Playing Our Parts* Concert

Proceeds From This Concert Will Benefit

THE JAZZ FOUNDATION OF AMERICA For DENNIS IRWIN

March 10, 2008 – The Allen Room – 7:30 p.m.

WHO/WHAT:

Joe Lovano and John Scofield team up with Jazz at Lincoln Center and Wynton Marsalis to bring together incredible performers in a benefit concert for beloved bassist Dennis Irwin. All artists are donating their services and Jazz at Lincoln Center is donating its venue and staff to raise much-needed funds for Irwin through **The Jazz Foundation of America**. We invite the jazz community and music fans to come together in support of Dennis Irwin, who is in need of immediate financial support for medical treatment and expenses as he battles a serious illness.

The concert will feature performances by these and other special guests:

- Mose Allison
- Tony Bennett
- Ron Carter
- Bill Charlap

- Jack DeJohnette
- Bill Frisell
- Jon Hendricks
- Joe Lovano
- Wynton Marsalis
- Paul Motian
- John Patitucci
- John Scofield
- Sultans of Swing, with David Berger

WHEN:

Monday, March 10, 2008, 7:30 p.m.

WHERE:

The Allen Room, Frederick P. Rose Hall, home of Jazz at Lincoln Center, on Broadway at 60th St., New York City.

HOW/TICKETS:

All tickets at \$150 are available at the Jazz at Lincoln Center Box Office on Broadway at 60th St., by calling CenterCharge at (212) 721-6500 or via www.jalc.org. All proceeds from this concert will go to the Jazz Foundation of America for the Jazz Musicians' Emergency Fund in support of Dennis Irwin's emergency financial and medical support. For more information go to: www.jalc.org

HOW TO HELP:

If you are unable to attend the concert but wish to make a tax-deductible contribution in Dennis Irwin's name, please do so as follows:

CHECKS:

Checks made payable to:

The Jazz Foundation of America

IMPORTANT NOTE: write in memo and on envelope - **DENNIS IRWIN** and mail to:

The Jazz Foundation of America

322 West 48th Street, 6th floor

New York, NY 10036

ONLINE:

Donate online at www.jazzfoundation.org

IMPORTANT NOTE: if using PayPal note: **DENNIS IRWIN** in the memo.

CONTACT:

To purchase press tickets in support of Dennis Irwin or for high res photos, contact:

Scott Thompson, Assistant Director - Public Relations, (212)258-9807, sthompson@jalc.org

BACKGROUND:

"There are certain people in life that make you feel at home no matter where you are. For me, Dennis Irwin is one of those people, one of my closest brothers in the music, a great teacher and scholar of all the beautiful blessings life has to offer." -- Joe Lovano

"Dennis is all ears, all the time, one of the great accompanists. His beat and sound are a velvet cushion, like riding a Rolls Royce." -- John Scofield

For bio information: http://www.jalc.org/about/pdf/Dennis_Irwin_Bio.pdf
