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the iconic jazz-classical nonet BIRTH OF THE COOL a philly premiere, seventy-five years later

Orchestra 2001 will present the Philadelphia premiere of the mid-century fusion of jazz and classical music, "Birth of the Cool," on Wednesday, March 29, at the Clef Club of Jazz. Musicians, composers, and arrangers from the original nonet included Miles Davis, Gil Evans, J.J. Johnson, Lee Konitz, John Lewis, Gerry Mulligan, and Max Roach. This performance will feature Orchestra 2001's jazz players, including eight members of The Philly Pops.

PERFORMANCE:

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2023, 7:30 pm CLEF CLUB OF JAZZ

736 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19146

(Corner of South Broad and Fitzwater Streets)

Philadelphia – This concert will take place approximately 75 years after the creation of this ground-breaking musical hybrid. Its informal evolution by leading jazz and classical artists during the late 1940s, took place in Gil Evans' single-room basement apartment, below a laundromat on West 55th Street in Manhattan. The 12 tunes resulting from that collaboration are a collector's classic, and forged decades of new directions in concert halls, jazz clubs, and film scores.

The music has an unusual local tie; most of the scores were thought to be lost until manuscript parts were found in cartons in a Philadelphia storage unit fifty years later, as part of Miles Davis' estate.

Funded by the League of American Orchestras and the Paul M. Angell Foundation.

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