

**YOUNG LEADERSHIP COUNCIL AND DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT  
ANNOUNCE THE 2006 WEDNESDAY AT THE SQUARE MUSIC LINEUP**

**Wednesday at the Square Concerts in Downtown New Orleans  
April 5 – June 21**

(NEW ORLEANS - 3/15/06) –The Young Leadership Council (YLC) and the Downtown Development District (DDD) announced today the music lineup of Wednesday at the Square, a free 12-week concert series in beautiful Lafayette Square on St. Charles Avenue across from Gallier Hall. The seventh annual Wednesday at the Square concert series will be held Wednesdays, April 5 through June 21, from 5:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

The 2006 Wednesday at the Square music lineup is as follows:

- |                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| <b>April 5</b>  | <b>George Porter Jr. &amp; Runnin Pardners w/ special guests Johnny Vidacovich and Brian Stoltz</b><br>Some Like It Hot Trad Jazz Band |
| <b>April 12</b> | <b>Nathan and the Zydeco cha chas</b><br>Lil' Nathan   |
| <b>April 19</b> | <b>Theresa Andersson Group</b><br>Ghost Town   |
| <b>April 26</b> | <b>BeauSoleil</b><br>Amanda Shaw and the Cute Guys   |
| <b>May 3</b>    | <b>Marcia Ball</b><br>Washboard Chaz Blues Trio  |
| <b>May 10</b>   | <b>The Radiators</b><br>beatin path  |
| <b>May 17</b>   | <b>The Iguanas</b><br>Yeah You Right   |
| <b>May 24</b>   | <b>Anders Osborne</b><br>Storyville Stompers Brass Band  |
| - more -        |  |
| <b>May 31</b>   | <b>Cowboy Mouth</b><br>Kipori Woods  |

**Contacts:** Gerald Duhon  
Young Leadership Council  
504.585.1500

Kurt Weigle  
Downtown Development District  
504.561.8927

- June 7**                    **the subdudes**  
Jim McCormick
- June 14**                  **Sonny Landreth**  
Robert Fortune Band
- June 21**                  **The Chee Weez**

"The YLC is very excited about this year's music lineup," said Dan Forman, YLC project leader for Wednesday at the Square, "We believe we have assembled a group of artists who are committed to New Orleans and will aid in the city's recovery through their music and their energy."

To continue the tradition of a free concert series, the YLC and DDD are seeking sponsors. To date, official Wednesday at the Square sponsors include Republic Beverage Company and Firefly Digital, Inc. More information on sponsorship opportunities can be obtained by contacting the YLC office at (504) 585-1500.

In addition to the main music stage, Wednesday at the Square will feature the same arrangement as in previous years with food from many of New Orleans' famous restaurants, an artist's village featuring local artistic talent and a children's area. To receive updates on Wednesday at the Square, sign up for the Wednesday at the Square emails at [www.wednesdayatthesquare.com](http://www.wednesdayatthesquare.com).

Commissioned by the State Legislature in 1974, the Downtown Development District (DDD) is America's oldest Business Improvement District. Funded by a special property tax, the DDD provides enhanced services in economic development, cleaning, and public safety. The DDD is bounded by Claiborne Avenue, the Mississippi River, the Pontchartrain Expressway, and Iberville Street.

Embarking upon its 20th year, the Young Leadership Council is a non-profit, non-partisan civic organization created to develop leadership through community projects. Last year, the YLC's 1,000 members gave more than 10,000 hours to the organization through events and project activities in the areas of arts and culture, community services, economic development, leadership development, youth education, and youth enrichment. The YLC and its related projects have raised more than \$25 million dollars in support of community projects over the past nineteen years. Other notable projects include the Proud To Call It Home campaign, the creation of the Greater New Orleans Sports Foundation, the lighting of the Crescent City Connection, the Festival of Fins public art display and the One Book, One New Orleans community reading and literacy awareness campaign. For more information about the YLC, please visit [www.youngleadershipcouncil.org](http://www.youngleadershipcouncil.org).

**Contacts:**                Gerald Duhon  
Young Leadership Council  
504.585.1500

Kurt Weigle  
Downtown Development District  
504.561.8927