

Juvae Jazz Society of Decatur, IL

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To: Musicians, Fans and Friends of the Juvae Jazz Society,

The officers and Board members of the Juvae Jazz Society of Decatur, Illinois, have met for several meetings and have had much discussion regarding a 2018 Central Illinois Jazz Festival. It was a difficult decision to come to the conclusion after 42 years of producing the CIJF, that we would not produce a festival in 2018. The officers and Board members are an aging group as well as our membership and fans.

While we feel that we have produced a wonderful festival musically, bringing in the best musicians from all across the country with talents in all forms of jazz, ticket sales, sponsorship and interest in the festival in general has been down. It is our goal to do some reorganizing in an effort to attract younger members to do the work and upgrade our marketing and social media areas.

We thank all the musicians and fans who have so diligently supported the Central Illinois Jazz Festival for 42 years and hope to be able to produce a 43rd CIJF in the future.

Maggie Parker-Brown, Director

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