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Afro Cuban Jazz December 27, 2009

Twins Jazz – 8:00 PM & 10:00 PM Shows

1344 U St. NW, Washington, DC 20009

\$15 in advance and \$20 at the door

For tickets: 202-234-0072 or visit [www.twinsjazz.com](http://www.twinsjazz.com)

### **Latin Jazz Artists Heat Up the DC Holidays**

**Some of the nation's fastest rising Latin jazz stars will be in Washington, DC two days after Christmas to perform a special holiday concert** featuring Afro Cuban jazz. The concert takes place at Twins Jazz, in the vibrant "U Street Corridor."

Piano phenomenon Zaccai Curtis will be featured. A graduate of the New England Conservatory, the award-winning artist has performed with such greats as Ralph Peterson, Ray Vega and Jerry Gonzalez.

His New York based band, Insight, has just released its second album, *Blood-Spirit-Land-Water-Freedom*. The band for this special Washington, DC appearance will perform some Curtis originals from that album including "Curtis Anew" and "Twisted Histories,"

Also coming down from New York is riveting conguero Roberto Quintero. The Venezuelan born percussionist has played with such high profile artists as Dave Samuels, Richard Bona, Eddie Palmieri, Marc Anthony and the late, great Tito Puente.

Joining them on stage will be, acclaimed Canadian saxophonist Jeff Antoniuk, drummer Joe McCarthy of the Latin Grammy Award winning group, Afro Bop Alliance and bassist Steve Sachse.

These jazz newsmakers have teamed up to teach an inDepth Jazz Clinic on Afro Cuban rhythm and groove to be held earlier the same day at Mount Vernon Place United Methodist Church in Washington, DC.

With renewed interest in the genre sparked by the four part public television series *Latin Music USA*, the artists decided this was the perfect time to hold both a workshop and a public concert to share this rich and rhythmic music.

Concert tickets will make a great stocking stuffer gift for any jazz fan. They are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Call Twins Jazz at 202-234-0072 or visit [www.twinsjazz.com](http://www.twinsjazz.com) Twins Jazz is located at 1344 U St. NW, Washington, DC 20009.

For more information about inDepth Jazz Clinics & Concerts visit [www.indepthjazz.com](http://www.indepthjazz.com) or call 410-295-6691.

**Photos available: pianist and composer Zaccai Curtis, bassist Pepe Gonzalez and drummer Joe McCarthy.**

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