

# TOWN OF VERNON

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# Rockville Public Library Hosts FREE Live Jazz Concert this Saturday

**(VERNON, Connecticut)** – The Rockville Public Library is hosting a live jazz concert this Saturday, Nov. 12, featuring The Blue River Jazz Band.

The show is free and begins at 2 p.m. All are welcome. People are asked to register by visiting the library website, [www.rockvillepubliclibrary.org](http://www.rockvillepubliclibrary.org), or by calling 860-875-5892.

The Blue River Jazz Band performs traditional, classic, and hot jazz and swing music from the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century and features the songs of artists such as Louis Armstrong, Sidney Bechet, Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Lester Young, Fats Waller and many more.

“Jazz is a uniquely American form of music that is loved around the world,” Vernon Mayor Dan Champagne said. “Bringing this duo to the Rockville Public Library is another step forward in our effort to make Vernon the arts hub of Tolland County.”

Rockville Public Library Director Jennifer Johnston-Marius said The Blue River Jazz Band’s expansive repertoire is what drew her to booking them for the concert.

“I like the fact they perform a variety of jazz styles,” she said. “It’s a little bit of everything and offers a nice overview of jazz.” Saturday’s performance will be the band’s first visit to Vernon, she said.

### About the Town of Vernon

The Town of Vernon is a celebrated place to live, work and visit. From its beautiful parks and lakes, to its vast trails and historic homes and buildings, Vernon is a resilient and thriving community that promotes the health and wellbeing of its residents and values the natural environment. With a resident population of approximately 30,000 and occupying 18.03 square miles, Vernon combines a balanced appreciation of history, and a strong economic

base for growth, both residential and commercial. Located 15 minutes east of the Connecticut capital of Hartford, and 25 miles from the City of Springfield, Massachusetts, the Town of Vernon is strategically located in “New England's Knowledge Corridor” with close proximity to some of the top colleges and universities in the country.

Designated a certified Sustainable Community, the Town of Vernon offers a wide range of benefits and services to its residents. The Town of Vernon is a full-service municipality that practices a management philosophy of continuous quality improvement. To learn more about the Town of Vernon, please call (860) 870- 3670 or visit [www.vernon-ct.gov](http://www.vernon-ct.gov).

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