

June 2009



AT THE TOP

Thank you ALL for being so supportive during the recent 2008-2009 concert season. We realize the huge effort that is required of the board members and committee members of each concert association to make every year more successful, memorable and an enjoyable experience for your subscribers. You should all feel very proud of a job well done.

We would like to encourage you to move into this next season with great enthusiasm. Now more than ever, members in your area can benefit from great entertainment at an excellent price!

Live On Stage is very optimistic about the upcoming 2009-2010 concert season! We want to find every way possible to help you be successful so you can keep this great tradition alive for generations to come.

Currently we are working hard to find great artistry with name recognition for the new 2010-2011 roster. Together with your continued support and our Live On Stage Star Power, we will all be successful!

The future is bright and sunny! We wish you a safe and fun summer and we hope to see you at our National Conference in Nashville, TN July 30 – August 1, 2009

Matt Davenport, CEO

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NEWS FROM NASHVILLE

**National
Conference**
July 30th – Aug. 1st

*Be a part of the
Passion!*

NATIONAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

We have posted a schedule of events for our National Conference weekend. Besides a timeline of events, our document includes information about the hotel, parking, airport shuttles and nearby dining and attractions. Go to www.liveonstage.biz, click on “National Conference” and then click on “Schedule of Events.”

**LAST DAY TO REGISTER FOR THE EARLY BIRD SPECIAL IS
MONDAY, JUNE 1st.**

Afterwards Registration will be \$150 per attendee

Your Area Rep:

- **Melanie Bliss**
North Central
- **Jennie May Donnell**
North West
- **Ruth Gordon**
North East
- **Carolyn Hoaster**
East Coast
- **Menno Kraai**
North West
- **Cherie Lawson**
South Central
- **Betty McGlothlin**
South East
- **Gladys Tysdal**
South West

To Register for the Live On Stage 2009 National Conference:

- Go to our website at www.liveonstage.biz and click ‘National Conference.’
- Click ‘Register Now.’
- Complete **STEP 1:** Register for the conference by registering online with a credit card or printing a form that can be mailed with a check.
- Complete **STEP 2:** Reserve your hotel room at our special conference rate by reserving a room online or calling the reservation phone number.
- Come and enjoy the conference Thursday, July 30th through Saturday, August 1st.

We will have three action-packed days starting on Thursday evening, July 30th with a Welcome Mixer. Our 2010-2011 Roster Presentation, our live showcases, and seminars will resume on Friday and Saturday, ending with our Finale Reception on Saturday evening, August 1st. Come and be a part of the event as we celebrate *Passion in Performance*.



FROM THE DIRECTOR'S CHAIR (Laura's Lowdown)

SERIES CONTRACTS & DEPOSITS

We know the process of putting on a concert series takes a lot of effort on the part of a lot of people around the entire country. A significant part of the process that makes a big difference in the success of a season is meeting contract and payment deadlines. A HUGE thank you to all our associations for meeting those deadlines throughout the 2008-2009 season.

For the 2009-2010 year, we set an earlier deadline for contracts (May 15th) and our associations met the challenge. This will make a big difference behind the scenes as we contract with the artists, get the ball rolling with artist touring, get the necessary materials from the artists and give the artists the information they need to get ready to do a great performance in your town.



PRESS PICKS (Remarks from Mark)

ARTS IN ACTION SCHOLARSHIP

We would like to thank all the associations who nominated students for our "Arts In Action" scholarship program this year. We received 12 talented nominees from various concert associations across the country. The scholarship committee will review the applicants and rate them on passion and commitment for the arts, skill level and current involvement in the arts, along with financial need. The winners will be announced at the National Conference this year in Nashville...don't miss it!

ARTIST PROGRAMS for the 2009-2010 SEASON

Artist programs for the upcoming season will be available ONLINE again this year. We plan to have them posted on our website no later than July 1st, 2009. The programs will be downloadable in a printer- ready PDF format as well as Word.doc files.

We have stressed to the artists that any changes to the programs have to be cleared through our office no less than two weeks before the scheduled concert date. This will allow us to notify the concert association of any program updates.

If you have any questions; please don't hesitate to contact Mark Ross at mark@liveonstage.biz.

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