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Delfeayo Marsalis Headlines 17th Annual Silver Spring Jazz Festival

By Mark C. Robinson

Acclaimed trombonist, composer and producer Delfeayo Marsalis will lead his 14-piece Uptown Jazz Orchestra as the headliner for the 17th annual Silver Spring Jazz Festival on Saturday, Sept. 10. The free, outdoor music festival will take place at Veterans Plaza in the Silver Spring Arts & Entertainment District from 3 to 10 p.m.

Renowned for its large horn section and lively performance, Delfeayo formed the Orchestra in 2008, establishing an ensemble that focuses on maintaining traditions of jazz such as riff playing, New Orleans polyphony and improvisational arrangements. Preceded in previous years of the festival by brothers and fellow jazz musicians Wynton and Branford Marsalis, Delfeayo and the UJO will take the main stage at 8:30 p.m.

The Linwood Battle Band, a jazz fusion group from Bowie, Md., will kick things off with a festival pre-party on Ellsworth Drive from 1 to 3 p.m. Then the event will begin in earnest with a performance from the D.C.-based Feedel Band, the first native Ethiopian group in North America playing East African jazz.

Another local group, the 12-piece Afrofunk band Chopteeth, will then entertain the crowd with tunes infused with Afrobeat, a mix of modern jazz, Yoruba tribal songs and 1960s soul music, followed by the Fran Vielma Quartet, led by noted Venezuelan percussionist Francisco "Fran" Vielma. ([Continues online at RedEyeStar.com](https://www.redestar.com))

Go on a 'Blind Date with a Book' at Planet Word

By Mark C. Robinson

Familiar with the expression, "never judge a book by its cover?" That can be an almost herculean task in this day and age. Between the Internet, social media, and various other avenues of publicity or gossip, finding books you might not ordinarily read can be truly challenging.

Now a growing worldwide trend popping up in bookstores, libraries and reading groups dares readers to step outside their comfort zones and try something new. It's called "Blind Date with a Book," and it's coming to Planet Word on Saturday, Sept. 10.

Here's how it works. The local sustainable artists at Relume Co. curate a collection of award-winning, best-selling, or very highly rated pre-loved books. Each book is wrapped in newspaper and tagged with clues about what's inside: ([Continues online at RedEyeStar.com](https://www.redestar.com))

Acclaimed Play 'Nine Night' Starts Round House Theatre's 45th Season

By Mark C. Robinson

Round House Theatre in Bethesda begins its 2022-2023 season on Wednesday with the American premiere of Natasha Gordon's debut play "Nine Night"—a triumph in its 2018 Royal National Theatre premiere and subsequent West End run, the first by a British Black female playwright.

The production navigates the line between comedy and drama as it explores the tensions of inhabiting two cultures, the inescapable bonds of family, and the many layers of grief and loss. Family matriarch Gloria has died, and her family gathers for the Jamaican mourning ritual of Nine Night, a nine-day celebration (and endurance test) full of food, revelry, and a nonstop parade of mourners. As the festivities continue in other parts of her home, the immediate family frequently takes refuge in Gloria's kitchen ...

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LOCAL EVENTS CALENDAR, SEPT. 9 – SEPT. 15, 2022

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FRIDAY 9

Friday Night Contra & Square Dance, 8 – 11 p.m. at Glen Echo Park

Friday Night Dancers and Folklore Society of Greater Washington present a Contra and Square Dance at Glen Echo Park, with caller April Blum and live music by the Glen Echo Open Band. All dances are taught, and no partner is necessary. Admission is \$15, registration required either at the door or pre-registration online. Located at the Spanish Ballroom, 7300 MacArthur Blvd, Glen Echo. For more information about the event, ticketing, and COVID-19 health policies, visit <https://fsgw.org/event-4922626>.

SATURDAY 10

Delfeayo Marsalis Headlines 17th Annual Silver Spring Jazz Festival, 3 – 10 p.m. at Veterans Plaza

Delfeayo Marsalis, the trombonist of the famous musical family, is leading his 14-piece Uptown Jazz Orchestra at this free, outdoor jazz festival. Other musical guests include Feedel Band, Chopteeth, and Paul Carr and the Real Jazz Ambassadors. Free and open to the public at Veterans Plaza in the Silver Spring Arts and Entertainment District from 3 to 10 p.m. For more info, visit <https://silverspringdowntown.com/silver-spring-jazz-festival>.

WEDNESDAY 14

Hopin' Mic hosted by Grassroots Comedy DC at Kramers, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

Come get your fix of levity through laughter at Grassroots Comedy's brand new HOPIN' MIC comedy and storytelling shows at Kramers! Each Wednesday night features hilarious comedians, talented storytellers, plus a percentage of proceeds go towards organizations that support causes in a time of need. Located at 1517 Connecticut Avenue, NW. For more info, call 202-387-3825 or visit <https://www.kramers.com/blog/>.

ONGOING EVENTS

AFI Silver Presents 'Screwball Summer' Film Festival, Now Through Sept. 21

Dominating the 1930s, and flourishing into the 1940s, the screwball comedy genre emerged in Hollywood during the Great Depression to delight audiences with fast-paced dialogue, farcical plots, comedic tension between the sexes, mismatched romances, piercing class criticism, relentless optimism and phenomenal female characters, including all-time classics like "The Good Fairy," "Ninotchka," "The More The Merrier," and "The Philadelphia Story," plus rare 35mm screenings of Garson Kanin's "My Favorite Wife." and Howard Hawks' "I Was a Male War Bride." Proof of COVID vaccination required for entry; masks encouraged. Located at 8633 Colesville Rd., Silver Spring, Md. For more info, call 301-495-6700 or visit <https://afisilver.afi.com/>.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Washington Magic, 6:30 p.m. at the Arts Club of Washington, Sept 16

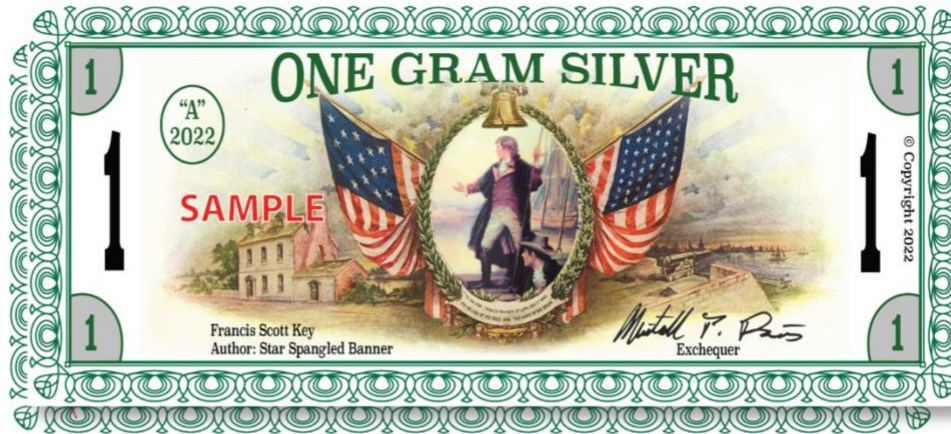
Washington Magic returns LIVE to the Arts Club of Washington, 6:30 p.m. for close up magic, 7:15 p.m. for the stage show. Witness a wide array of some of America's greatest magicians, and experience the "Magic Castle of the East," a Victorian mansion filled with impossible mind reading, mystery, comedy, and magic right before your eyes. Located at 2017 I Street, NW. For more info, call 1-888-882-8499 or visit <https://www.washingtonmagic.com/>.

Small Press Expo, Sept. 17 & 18 at Bethesda North Marriott

The 2022 Small Press Expo will be held at the Bethesda North Marriott & Conference Center at 5701 Marinelli Road in North Bethesda, the weekend of Sept. 17 and 18. The annual festival is the premiere event for creators and publishers of independent comics, cartooning and graphic novels, featuring workshops, panel discussions, and other programming, including the Ignatz Awards, celebrating outstanding achievement in comics and cartooning. Admission prices are \$20 Saturday, \$15 Sunday, and \$30 for both days. Tickets for the Leela Corman/Thalia Zedek multimedia performance are \$10 extra with paid admission or \$20 for that performance only. For more info, visit <https://www.smallpressexpo.com/>.

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Diners earn Georgetown Cash for ordering qualifying dinners. Then use the Georgetown Cash for rewards like desserts or special coffees – and can use their Georgetown Cash at any participating restaurant. This universal acceptance can bring more diners to all of Georgetown's restaurants – Loyalty to the community. (Or save their Georgetown Cash to redeem for minted silver.)

Georgetown Cash is part of the trend of "Community Currency," – where new forms of currency emerge to serve communities. Two examples are Berkshares in Massachusetts and Ithaca Hours in New York. Both received wide acceptance and became alternate means of exchange – doing so without credit card fees!

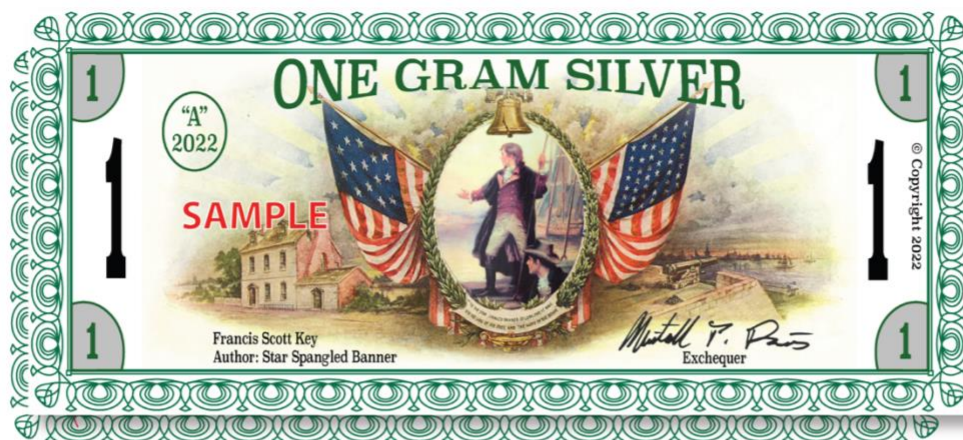


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Is this legal? Yes, in the same way coupons are made, these are simply backed by silver.

How does the math work? There are 28.35 grams in an ounce. Silver traded at \$18.10 USD on September 5. Therefore, each gram is worth 63.8 cents. Value will vary based on the price of silver.

How can I redeem them? To redeem, you need at least 28 grams, and mail to the redemption office on the back. You can choose silver in one oz silver rounds, with balance via PayPal, or 100% PayPal. Valuation based on silver price at date of your postmark seeking redemption.

Couldn't restaurants just print up their own? Yes, they could, even diners could print their own, but their notes may not be honored by other restaurants who know and trust the copyrighted Georgetown Cash banknotes.

Will there be counterfeit banknotes? Of course, there will be, and as the total pay-off might be a coffee or a dessert, restaurants have been instructed to simply play along, they are buying a dinner after all. As the banknotes have serial numbers and security features we will not redeem counterfeit notes for silver.

What if I lose them or if they are damaged? Lost banknotes will not be replaced. Damaged or worn banknotes will be replaced with fresh banknotes.

What if I have more questions or need help? Call Mitchell P. Davis at (202) 333-5000 or email to: CEO@InternationalPlatform.org

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