

Wednesday, November 27, 2024

MacEwan University's Bent River Records hosting album release event for Montuno West, featuring Israel "Toto" Berriel

Edmonton – MacEwan University's Bent River Records invites you to the release of a new album by Latin-jazz group Montuno West, featuring guest vocalist Israel "Toto" Berriel. Montuno West boasts an exciting and infectious sound strongly influenced by jazz, Cuban and other Latin styles.

This event will showcase the band's unique blend of Latin-jazz with the release of *Raíces*, which reflects their practice of contemporary Latin music, still honouring traditional influences.

Montuno West features a lineup of Western Canada's most respected Latin-jazz musicians: Rubim de Toledo (electric and acoustic bass), Chris Andrew (piano), Raul Tabera (percussion) and Luis Tovar (drums). Joining them for this special occasion is renowned traditional Afro-Cuban percussionist and vocalist Israel "Toto" Berriel. With experience performing with acclaimed rumba group Los Muñequitos de Matanzas, combined with his deep roots in Afro-Cuban traditions, Toto brings his exceptional energy and expertise to this performance.

The group previously won the Calgary Music Award for World Recording of the Year and was nominated in the 2019 Western Canada Music Awards World Artist of the Year category.

Tickets for this evening of great music and fun are sold out!

To learn more about Montuno West, see <https://montunowest.com/>.

Media are invited to attend:

Friday, November 29, 2024

7:00 p.m. (program begins at 8:00)

Yardbird Suite

11 Tommy Banks Way

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