



the Island Gallery

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Event:

Jingle Django Jazz

A Holiday Evening of Gypsy Jazz and Extraordinary Art

Ranger and the Re-Arrangers



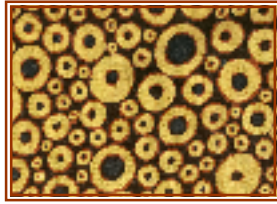
The Island Gallery kicks off the holiday season with an evening of hot gypsy jazz with Bainbridge Island's own Gypsy Jazz band, **Ranger and the Re-Arrangers!** Playing in the upbeat style created in the 1930s by Django Reinhardt and other European string players who embraced American jazz, fiddling phenomenon Ranger Sciacca fronts this sizzling hot fivesome of violin, mandolin, bass, percussion and rhythm guitar as they play their award-winning originals, swing standards, and traditional Gypsy tunes. Ranger's creative, syncopated leads complement the band's steady, swinging rhythms.

DATE: Friday, November 28, 2008, 8:00 p.m.

TICKET PRICE: \$20 adults, \$10 students/seniors.

PLEASE NOTE: Seating is limited. Reservations are recommended.

LOCATION: The Island Gallery, 100-106 Madison Avenue N., Bainbridge Island, WA 98110



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ARTISTS:

Ranger Sciacca's performances and compositions reflect his extensive studies in classical, jazz, and folk music. His Suzuki teacher, Alice Kanack, publishes books and CDs on improvising classical music. Ranger also studied folk and dance music for seven years with renowned Seattle fiddler Stuart Williams. Ranger's main influences include guitarist Django Reinhardt and jazz violin greats Stuff Smith, Claude Williams and Stephane Grappelli. From Bainbridge Island, Ranger is currently a student at Whitman College, where he has studied jazz theory and history.

Michael Sciacca, Ranger's dad, has been his rhythm guitarist for 10 years; they have performed as a swing jazz duo since 2001.

Bassist **Todd Houghton** has had an extensive career in performing, teaching, and producing music. Todd is an advisor to Jack Straw Production's Blind Youth Audio Project and has hosted an "open mic" on Bainbridge Island, Washington since 1993.

Percussionist **Jeffrey Moose** has a 30-year career in both music and fine art. His collaborations and band projects include work with Joined at the Head, Heliotroupe, Dog Superior, Stiff Kitty, Atoke, Zayah Emmanuel, and Sam Andrews, founder of Big Brother and the Holding Company. He is currently director of Jeffrey Moose Gallery in Seattle.

Mandolin player **Dave Stewart** is a classically-trained pianist.

AWARDS & HONORS: The band's debut CD has won several accolades and awards:

- Finalist, Independent Music Awards (2007), Best Song, World Traditional Category
- Winner, Global Rhythm Magazine Song Contest, Gypsy Moon (April 2007)

PRESS:

"Ranger Sciacca is a twenty-year-old gypsy jazz fiddle phenom from Bainbridge Island and he's hitting the big time with both feet running." Victory Music Review (Feb. 2007)

"A young talent with an old soul." Bainbridge Review (May 2006)