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## **The Bill King Jazz Quartet Performing at the New Braunfels Public Library**

**New Braunfels, TX** - Nationally acclaimed San Antonio Jazz group, the Bill King Jazz Quartet, will give a special performance at the New Braunfels Public Library on Tuesday, July 14<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the library's meeting room. Their performance is the second in the library's popular Summer Concert Series.

Noted saxophonist Bill King leads the Quartet, which performs locally in San Antonio jazz venues, as well as the King William Jazz Collective.

The concert Tuesday will be one hour in length, and will feature traditional jazz pieces as well as improvisational works. The group's lineup will include saxophone, piano, drums and upright bass. This concert will appeal to jazz aficionados, families with children, as well as anyone who has yet to experience the excitement and creativity of a live jazz performance.

"Bill King has had a brilliant career as a musician, and his jazz performances are very popular and entertaining. A jazz quartet performance at the library is something new and fun. Those who come out to enjoy this unique event, made possible through the support of the Friends of the Library, will be in for a treat," said Library Director, Gretchen Pruett. "We hope to continue this popular concert series through autumn and beyond."

While serving in the United States Air Force, Bill King performed as a woodwind specialist. During many of those years Bill was the music director of the Jazz bands at USAF Band of the Golden West, USAF Reserve Band, USAF in Europe Band and the USAF Band of the West.

After retiring from the Air Force, King established himself by playing with some of the area's best bands including the San Antonio Jazz Orchestra, Gerry Gibb's Thrasher' Big Band, The Paul Elizondo Orchestra, The Mambo Kings and Henry Brun's Latin Players.

His skill on a variety of woodwind instruments is on display in many of the Broadway Across America productions at the Majestic Theater in San Antonio. He is the founder and music director of the King William Jazz Collective, a 12 piece all-star band.

In 2013-2014 he released two jazz albums: "Debut," by The Bill King Quartet and the self-titled "King William Jazz Collective," which attained #20 on the Jazz Week Charts and #5 on The Roots Music report. For more information about this event call Public Service Librarian Ben Pensiero at 830-221-4325.

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