

**SFJAZZ Unveils Public Chuck Stewart Photography Installation in
San Francisco Unified School District Building windows
Across from SFJAZZ Center in San Francisco
at corner of Franklin Street and Fell Street**

Installation Opens Saturday, June 19, 2021, NOON PST

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(San Francisco, CA, June 17, 2021) – SFJAZZ announces the unveiling of a new public photography installation on Saturday, June 19, 2021 from legendary photographer Chuck Stewart. The 31 large-scale black-and-white photographs are placed in the outward facing windows of the vacant San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) building across the street from the SFJAZZ Center on Franklin Street at Fell Street in San Francisco's Hayes Valley neighborhood.

The Chuck Stewart Installation is curated by SFJAZZ Photographer Laureate Jim Goldberg and will open on Saturday, June 19, 2021 at Noon PST. The installation includes seminal photographs of John Coltrane, Dave Brubeck, Tony Bennett, Carmen McRae, Better Carter, Art Blakey, and more, and are printed on synthetic leather and range from 9.5' high x 6.25' wide to 5.75' high x 6' wide. The installation is open to the public and can be viewed at street level from Franklin Street and Fell Street. The new installation marks the first outdoor viewing of Stewart's photographs and continues SFJAZZ's efforts to beautify the Hayes Valley corridor and performing arts district.

Since the grand opening of the SFJAZZ Center on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, January 21, 2013, SFJAZZ has placed photographs in these windows from famed photographers Herman Leonard, William Gottlieb, and Jim Marshall. For more information, visit SFJAZZ.org/exhibit.

"As SFJAZZ reopens the SFJAZZ Center, we wanted to also unveil a fresh new photography installation and we are thrilled to present Chuck's monumental work and share it with a larger audience," says SFJAZZ Founder and Executive Artistic Director Randall Kline. "We know the installation will provide a renewed sense of hope and optimism for not only SFJAZZ but for the local area and the City of San Francisco. Each one of these images tells a unique story about the musicians, the music, and the power of photographs to heal and inspire."

"We are honored to have Chuck's work displayed, not only outdoors for the first time, but in San Francisco," says Chuck Stewart's daughter-in-law and estate representative Kim Stewart. "It is a real joy for his work to be seen this way as these artists and Chuck were all larger-than-life."

The work of Chuck Stewart (1927-2017) has been exhibited at the Grammy Museum, the National Endowment for the Arts, the Smithsonian, as well as Cleveland's Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. His work represents a cultural archive of nearly one million images across various music genres and of 20th Century political figures and cultural icons. His photography has been featured on over 2,000 album covers for record labels such as Mercury, Argo, Impulse!, Chess, Atlantic, and Columbia Records.

The Chuck Stewart Photography Installation can be viewed at sfjazz.org/exhibit.

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