

# NJCU AND CITY OF JERSEY CITY PRESENT JAZZ GREAT WINARD HARPER

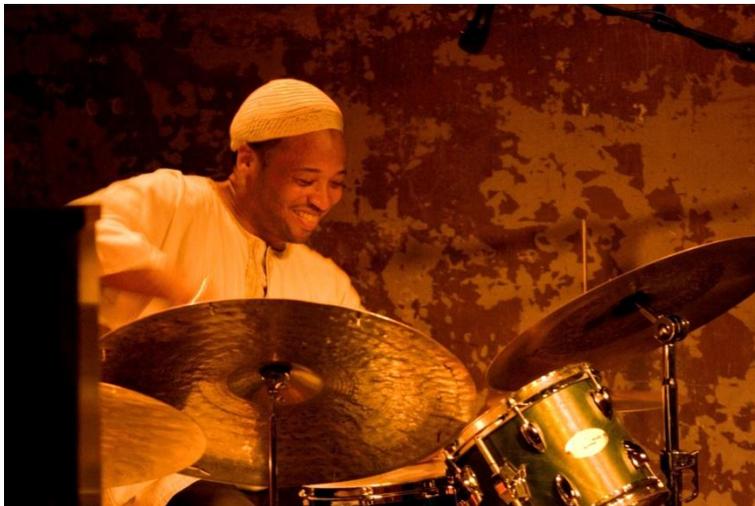
*Sounds of Summer Concerts  
Continues in Lincoln Park on August 19*

[Genova Burns](#) is proud to be associated with a free outdoor concert series presented by the City of Jersey City and New Jersey City University (NJCU). *Sounds of Summer Concerts* continues with the extraordinary drummer **Winard Harper & Jeli Posse** on Thursday, August 19, in Lincoln Park at 6:00 p.m.

Winard Harper is one of the hardest working drummers in jazz today, not only leading this exciting and hard swinging band whose latest CD reached number one on the jazz charts in late 2013 and early 2014, but also as much requested sideman. When not touring with Jeli Posse, Harper works and records with noted artists such as Joe Lavano, Steve Turre, Wycliffe Gordon, Jimmy Heath and Andrea Brachfeld. He was jazz legend Dr. Billy Taylor's regular drummer for years and worked regularly with many of the greatest artists in jazz including Betty Carter, Dexter Gordon, Pharoah Sanders and Clifford Jordan. Director Damien Chazelle cited Winard Harper as the inspiration for his recent Academy Award nominated film "Whiplash."

The concert opens with a performance by the Musical Theatre Workshop Touring Ensemble, a vocal group from NJCU under the direction of Marc Dalio. The group showcases the talents of several New Jersey City University students who are headed for careers on Broadway.

Be sure to bring lawn chairs and blankets. A raindate is scheduled for the Monday August 25 if necessary. For more information, call the Office of Cultural Affairs at 201-547-6921 or visit the NJCU website at [www.njcu.edu](http://www.njcu.edu).



***Editor's Note:** Jazz drummer Winard Harper & Jeli Posse will be the featured group in the third "Sounds of Summer" free outdoor concert series in Lincoln Park on Thursday, August 19. Photo by Richard Galosy.*