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JAZZ NIGHT IN A-TOWN

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(Agawam, Mass.) The Agawam Cultural Council's popular *Applause Series* continues on Friday, October 4, 2019 at 7:00 PM when **The Argiro Quintet** returns to the Agawam Senior Center with their popular program of music in the style of legendary jazz pianist, George Shearing. Noted pianist/composer James Argiro will lead his quintet through an evening of cool, smooth jazz, including many of Shearing's signature pieces, along with original compositions.

Argiro received his training at The Hartford Conservatory of Music and the University of California at Los Angeles. His musical career began while in his teens, leading a band that provided backup to some of the top groups of the late 1950s, including The Moonglows, The Drifters, and others. He has worked with jazz great Cat Anderson, played with the Harry James big band, and served as music director for such stars as Bernadette Peters, Joan Rivers, and Carol Channing.

Argiro's collaborators include accomplished musicians Mario DeCiutiis on vibraphone, Rich Goldstein on guitar, Jason Schwartz on bass, and Clark Seibold on drums.

The Agawam Senior Center is located at 954 Main Street in Agawam, Massachusetts and can be reached by phone at (413) 821-0604. Doors usually open at 6:15. This, and all *Applause Series* events, are free and open to the public.

Additional information on each of the *Applause Series* events is available at the Agawam Cultural Council web site, www.agawamcc.org, click on "Applause Series".

The Agawam Cultural Council is an all-volunteer local partner of the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency, and is funded, in part, by the MCC. The ACC is charged with bringing engaging, entertaining, and educational events and opportunities in the arts, humanities, and sciences, to children and adults from Agawam and the surrounding communities.