



Big Band is Back!

Jeff Gavioli's *Bad News Jazz and Blues Orchestra* heats up a cool September night at Agawam's School Street park.

Jeff Gavioli's Bad News Jazz & Blues Orchestra, featuring Cindy Reed on vocals, will provide a free concert on the D'arcy Davis Stage at School Street Park on Tuesday, September 21, beginning at 6pm. Based in Northampton, the band was voted "Best Live Jazz" in a Hampshire County Reader's Poll in 2021 after being voted a finalist in 2020. Band manager, Ken Longstreeth, has over 20 performances scheduled all around Western and Central MA in 2021, and the band is very excited to be back in Agawam for the first time since 2017.

The BNJBO would like to reach audiences of all ages by introducing this medium to young people as well as to seniors and all ages in between. Big Band music can be incredibly exciting and was once the popular music in the late 30s and 40s, with such greats as Glenn Miller, Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Stan Kenton, Frank Sinatra, etc. That excitement carries on today with several groups such as Brian Setzer Big Band, Michael Bublé, Big Bad Voodoo Daddy, Squirrel Nut Zippers and others. We invite you to bring chairs and blankets down to the park, and enjoy a musical journey through time.

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