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FREE JAZZ IN LIONSHEAD WITH DOUG WAMBLE QUARTET

Concert begins at 6pm in tented venue at Vail Square outside The Arrabelle Hotel

Vail, CO, August 25, 2009 – As days get shorter and nights get cooler, you can still count on the Vail Jazz Festival for sizzlin’ live jazz, with free concerts at Vail Square Lionshead, the Vail Farmers’ Market, and finishing up the summer with the 15th annual Vail Jazz Party, Labor Day Weekend.

Next in the series of free jazz performances is the Doug Wamble Quartet, playing their eclectic mix of jazz, gospel and blues outside the Arrabelle Hotel, at 6pm on Thursday, August 27.

Wamble is a native of Memphis, Tennessee, who grew up on a steady diet of blues, gospel, country and R&B, bluegrass, post bop, rock and jazz – and his unique musical style reflects this diversity.

"I find that the people that I love to listen to today are people who have assimilated the entire history of this music," said Wamble. "My music reflects that patchwork of musical styles."

Wamble leads on acoustic guitar, and is joined by pianist Roy Dunlap, bassist Jeff Hanley and drummer Peter Miles. The quartet has performed at venues including London Jazz Festival, Berlin Jazz Festival, Tanglewood and Monterey Jazz Festival.

"We hope everyone will come out to enjoy Doug’s unique music," said Mia Vlaar, executive director of the Vail Jazz Foundation. "Whether you think you like jazz or not, we’re sure you won’t be disappointed with the quartet’s energy and one of a kind musical blend."

The free series wraps up on September 3 with the legendary Clayton Brothers Quintet. Joining the Claytons will be the Vail Jazz All-Stars, a dozen of the most talented high school aged jazz musicians in North America, who will be completing a ten day intensive workshop in Vail with the Vail Jazz Foundation. Thursday will be their opportunity to shine with one of the most

accomplished jazz quintets of today. The final Jazz at Vail Square concert also kicks off the 15th annual Labor Day weekend party, hosted at the Vail Marriott Mountain Resort and in Vail Square September 3 – 7, and featuring Ann Hampton Callaway, Jeff Hamilton Trio, Brian Lynch Quintet, Dave Corbus, Joel Frahm, Wycliffe Gordon, Benny Green, and many other great jazz musicians. Tickets start at \$45 and are on sale now at www.vailjazz.org.

Jazz @ Vail Square: At a Glance

Thursday, August 27	Doug Wamble
Thursday, September 3	Clayton Brothers Quintet & VJF All-Stars

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