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## **Hollywood Style Black Tie Gala by Aurora Festival of the Arts**

Join us on the Red Carpet  
at The Mansion in Aurora **Thursday June 9<sup>th</sup>** - 6-11pm

**Press Conference 5-6pm** at The Mansion. Meet festival artists, organizers and sponsors and charities for photos, media comments and festival up-dates. Enjoy cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. Kindly RSVP 289-841 3494 by June 6.

**2011 Hollywood Style Black Tie Gala** features **The George St. Kitts Band** with guest artists from festival line-up, including **Spider Jones**. Silent Auction by Canadian Centre for Abuse Awareness, guess for a chance to win an exquisite necklace of pearls and 22 karat blue topaz from Kavar Jewellers and a Best Hollywood Costume award.

**Gala tickets \$75:** includes sensational sushi appetizers, a three course dinner, great entertainment, dancing plus a weekend festival pass. Net funds raised will help build a strong community, annual arts festival in the heart of York Region!

Tickets available: on-line at [www.aurorajazzfest.com](http://www.aurorajazzfest.com); or call Terry at 289-841 3494  
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**Line-up:** Aboriginal People's Choice 2010 nominee Missy Knott, Smooth Jazz Guitarist Rob Tardik, Rocker Neil Chapman, the Sounds of Motown Show, Juno nominees and winners Billy Newton-Davis, George St. Kitts and George Olliver, Radio/TV Host: Spider Jones, Maple Blues Diva Robin Banks, former Lion King Musical Director: Steve Hunter, Jazz FM regular: saxophonist Michael Massaro, Martin Acouin, the Shugga Band, After Hours Big Band, Not Affiliated Big Band, up n' coming local artists: Stacey Kaniuk, Courtenay Field, Julian Troiano, and Alex Ciccone, the Zim Zum Jazz Band, Michael Jackson cover band – Moonwalker, Stones cover band: Hot Rocks, My Jam Space, Doctor & musical artist: Joel Krivy, John Ebata, Caribana North and more!

2011 festival includes visual artists, Artcures, film makers from Multi Media Film Festival of YR, Kids Craft Blast Zone, Boogie Boys Blues (Ron Beer) plus an eclectic variety of interesting local vendors & artisans in new Festival Marketplace!

**Thanks to our sponsors:** The AFA is pleased to have received assistance from the Ontario Trillium Foundation, the Town of Aurora, Enbridge Gas, SNAP Aurora, 88.5 The Jewel, Kavar Jewellers, King Brewery, Coll Audio, The Banner, CIBC, The Arts Music Store, 94.7 the Wave and local business.

**Charities:** Aurora jazz+ Festival also supports Canadian Centre for Abuse Awareness [www.abusehurts.com](http://www.abusehurts.com) and Safehaven families and children [www.safehaven.to](http://www.safehaven.to)

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