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Jazz at the Lobero presents the Eddie Palmieri Latin Jazz Band Friday, May 10 at 8 PM

Santa Barbara, CA, April 19, 2019 – [Jazz at the Lobero](#) is thrilled to welcome the [Eddie Palmieri Latin Jazz Band](#) on Friday, May 10 as part of the Spring Jazz Series. Known as one of the finest pianists of the past 60 years, Eddie Palmieri is a bandleader, arranger and composer of salsa and Latin jazz. His playing skillfully fuses the rhythm of his Puerto Rican heritage with the complexity of his jazz influences: Thelonious Monk, Herbie Hancock, McCoy Tyner as well as his older brother, Charlie Palmieri.

His unconventional style would prove to surprise critics and fans with the 1970 release entitled *Harlem River Drive*. This recording was the first to merge what were categorized as “Black” and “Latin” music into a free-form sound that encompassed elements of salsa, funk, soul and jazz. In 1975, Palmieri won the first-ever GRAMMY® for Best Latin Recording for *The Sun of Latin Music* (he’s won ten GRAMMY® awards altogether to date), including two for his influential recording with Tito Puente, *Obra Maestra/Masterpiece*.

In addition to the GRAMMY®s, Palmieri has received numerous honors: Eubie Blake Award (1991); Most Exciting Latin Performance, presented by the BBC in London (2002); Yale University’s Chubb Fellowship, usually reserved for international heads of state, but given to Palmieri in recognition of his work building communities through music (2002); Harlem Renaissance Award (2005); Jay McShann Lifetime Achievement Award (2008), induction into the Oklahoma Jazz Hall of Fame (2008).

Tickets for the [Eddie Palmieri Latin Jazz Band](#) are on sale now at Lobero.org. Section A tickets are \$49, section B \$39 and a limited number of VIP tickets are available for \$105. Prices subject to facility fees. *VIP tickets include premier seating, pre-performance reception and listing in the event program.*

Brubeck Circle Members enjoy an exclusive 20% discount on all Jazz at the Lobero shows—even those offered outside the series. This core group of donors also supports efforts to create the jazz audiences and fans of tomorrow through educational outreach programs. *Learn more about the Lobero Brubeck Circle at Lobero.org/Jazz and become a member by designating a gift of \$100 or more to jazz at Lobero.org/Donate.*

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Calendar Editors, please note:

Friday, May 10 at 8 PM

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<https://www.lobero.org/events/jazz-eddie-palmieri/>

**Part of the Jazz at the Lobero Series*

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