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### What's Up, Doc?

*Entertaining "Bug Music" demonstrates connections between swing music and classic cartoons, spotlights Duke Ellington and other composers*

The Healdsburg Jazz Festival is bringing the jazz experience to grade school children and their families by presenting Don Byron's *Bug Music for Juniors*, on Monday June 2 at Healdsburg's Raven Theater. This will be a family concert with parents and children experiencing this wonderful performance together.

*Bug Music* is aimed at children 7 and over — and at the kid in all of us. Inspired by Don Byron's best-selling 1996 *Bug Music* album, this fun-filled and fascinating program unites live jazz, classic cartoons, and historic film footage in a one-of-a-kind exploration of the Swing Era.

Originally commissioned by the Brooklyn Academy of Music, and produced in a two-week run at Broadway's New Victory Theater, *Bug Music for Juniors* spotlights works by three great composers of the Swing Era — Duke Ellington, Raymond Scott, and John Kirby — performed in razor-sharp arrangements by Byron's stellar sextet.

These classic tunes are paired with timeless 'toons from Warner Bros 1940s heyday, along with a wealth of other intriguing and historic visuals. Part concert, part demonstration, part Q&A, and 100 percent pleasure, *Bug Music for Juniors* is jazz education at its most entertaining and exciting. This extremely popular and innovative children's concert will be a completely new way to experience jazz.

Children will love the fast-paced and entertaining mixture of live music and video, and seniors will revel in the music of the Swing Era played live on the Raven stage. Cartoon and film buffs will see wonderful clips of classic movies and 'toons.

Tickets for *Bug Music for Juniors* at the Raven Theater are priced to encourage family attendance. Children under 18 are \$5 each. Adults are \$25 if they come solo, but just \$10 each if they bring children to the show. There are two performances; at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Tickets are available by calling 433-4644 or online at [www.healdsburgjazzfestival.org](http://www.healdsburgjazzfestival.org).

For more information about Byron, visit [www.donbyron.com](http://www.donbyron.com).

**What:** Special Concert for Children - Bug Music for Juniors

**When:** June 2, two shows 1pm and 7pm

**Where:** Raven Theater, 115 North Street, Healdsburg

**Cost:** Children under 18 are \$5 each. Adults are \$25 if they come solo, but just \$10 each if they bring children to the show. Groups of from schools are encouraged.

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