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### Jamie Baum Hits the Mid-Atlantic with the Short Stories Band March Tour Includes Dates in Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C.

Internationally acclaimed flutist/composer Jamie Baum brings the Short Stories band to Montpelier Arts Center in Laurel, Maryland on Friday, March 13, to Atlas Performing Arts Center in Washington, D.C. on March 14 and finishes with a workshop and concert hosted by Charlottesville Jazz Society Sunday on March 15. On this mini-tour, music lovers can anticipate hearing outstanding technique and creativity as some of New York City's most creative and accomplished musicians take the stage.

A world travelled artist and 2014 Guggenheim Award Fellow, Jamie Baum has literally earned too many awards and accolades to mention. A small sample includes being nominated ten times by the Jazz Journalists Association as "Flutist of the Year." In 2018 alone, she made the Top Flute Categories of the Downbeat Critics Poll, and both the Jazz Times Critics and Readers Polls. Jazziz writer Kirk Silsbee calls Baum, "A commanding soloist with an understated soulfulness." Giovanni Russonello of *The New York Times* says, "Ms. Baum brings a remarkable balance of fluidity and restless creativity to her work as a post-bop flutist and composer" and calls the Short Stories band, "hard to beat."

Baum is best known for 20 years as leader of the award-winning group, Septet+, which features her global-influenced, long-form compositions. More recently she formed the Short Stories band, inspired by the short but eloquent compositions of such jazz icons as Wayne Shorter, Miles Davis and Thelonious Monk - influential to her development as a composer and improviser. In this format, Baum composes and arranges short pieces that provide a brilliant setting for improvisation.

Short Stories has played for enthusiastic audiences at New York City's Winter Jazzfest, Jazz Gallery, Kitano, Jazz Standard, Cornelia Street Cafe and St. Peter's "Jazz on The Plaza." The band has also toured esteemed venues in the US and Canada and plans to record later in 2020.

On this run, trumpeter Jason Palmer, pianist Andy Milne, bassist Joe Martin and drummer Jeff Hirshfield make up the rest of the touring band. Whether playing her own compositions and covering the likes of Carla Bley, Kenny Wheeler and the Beatles, Baum invokes the excitement and of the modern jazz standard.

Jamie Baum & Short Stories will also perform at Atlas Performing Arts Center in Washington, D.C. on March 14 and give a workshop and performance hosted by the Charlottesville Jazz Society on March 15. See these and other dates on <https://jamiebaum.com>.

**March 13, 2020 from 8 – 10:00 p.m.**

Montpelier Arts Center, Laurel, MD

9652 Muirkirk Rd

Laurel, MD 20708

301-377-7800

Admission: \$25 and under with discounts

Call or purchase online: <http://www.pgparcs.com/2143/Montpelier-Arts-Center>

**March 14, 2020 - Atlas Performing Arts Center, Washington DC**

1333 H St, NE

Washington, DC 20002

202.399.7993 x 2 Box Office

Admission: \$40 and under with discounts

Tickets Online: <https://www.atlasarts.org/events/jamie-baum/>

**Sunday, March 15, 2020 from 7 – 10:00 p.m.**

Charlottesville Jazz Society

First Presbyterian Church

500 Park St, Charlottesville, VA 22902,

434-249-6191

Concert tickets \$20 and under in advance, \$25 at the door

Purchase online from: [shortstories.brownpapertickets.com](http://shortstories.brownpapertickets.com)

\*Note: Ms. Baum will present a flute clinic at the church at 5:30 p.m. Tickets including both concert and clinic are \$25. Purchase online or call for more information.