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### **CONCERTS IN THE PARK TAKE A SWING TO THE SOUTH** *Music Series Colors Fall With Latin Jazz, Southern Rock*

Plano's Concerts in the Park will head musically south of the Mason/Dixon line this Fall with the sounds of Latin Jazz and Southern Rock in the bowl at the Amphitheater at Oak Point Park in September and October. Once the best kept secret in North Texas, Plano's Concerts in the Park were such a hit last Spring that the series has been expanded to include concerts **September 12 (Latin Jazz Night)** and **October 3, 2009 (Southern Rock Night)**. The concerts are presented by Plano Stages and tickets are available at <http://planostages.tix.com>.

Talented North Texas guitarist **Russ Hewitt** will lead off Latin Jazz Night on September 12 at 8 pm with with infectious "rumba flamenco" rhythms. Hewitt, a fixture on the Dallas music scene for many years, has gained new popularity with an intoxicating blend of latin, jazz and flamenco styles. To hear more about and by Russ, visit [www.rushewittmusic.com](http://www.rushewittmusic.com).

Headlining the evening will be legendary Austin dance band "**Beto and the Fairlanes.**" Led by jazz pianist Robert "Beto" Skiles, a native Texan with bilingual roots in San Antonio, Beto and the Fairlanes have been enormously popular since the late '70's offering up a fun mix of Latin jazz, Swing and World Beat music. They have been a huge part of the Austin musical experience over the decades, playing such venues as The Armadillo World Headquarters, Liberty Lunch and Soap Creek Saloon, and making appearances on Austin City Limits. "It's all about the fun!" says Beto. To learn more about "The International Band of Texas", visit [www.betoandthefairlanes.com](http://www.betoandthefairlanes.com).

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Southern Rock Night will bring legends “**Atlanta Rhythm Section**” to Plano on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Along with their contemporaries Lynyrd Skynyrd, these prolific musicians were considered legitimate successors to the Allman Brothers as kings of regional rock in the 70’s and 80’s. Their impressive musical catalogue includes many top ten hits that have been covered by the biggest names in the business.

Bring your own lawn chairs and/or blankets and enjoy the show in comfort. Picnics and coolers are welcome. Alcohol is permitted for those 21 years of age and up. Parking is free. **No pets, please. Only service animals are allowed.**

Admission to each concert is \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors (60 years and up), and \$8 for children twelve and younger. Children age three and younger are admitted free. Tickets may be obtained by visiting <http://planostages.tix.com>, or purchased at the gate starting one hour before curtain time. For information, visit [www.planostages.com](http://www.planostages.com).

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