Vancouver Heritage Foundation to Honour Cory Weeds, a jazz legend in Vancouver, with Places That Matter plaque

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Final Places That Matter plaque presentation of 2026 celebrates the lasting legacy of a Kitsilano jazz venue and icon.

VANCOUVER, BC | November 2026 – Vancouver Heritage Foundation (VHF) invites the community to celebrate the legacy of Cory Weeds' Cellar Jazz Club at a special plaque presentation on Sunday, November 15th from 4-5pm at 3611 West Broadway.

Recognized as Places That Matter site #102, the former underground jazz club played an important role in Vancouver's music scene from 2000 to 2014, bringing together internationally acclaimed jazz musicians and emerging local talent in an intimate setting.

Founded by Vancouver saxophonist Cory Weeds in 2000, the Cellar Jazz Club was inspired by the spirit of Vancouver's original Cellar, which opened near Main and Broadway in the 50s. At a time when local musicians had limited venues dedicated to jazz, Weeds created a space where audiences could experience exceptional live performances up close.

For just over 13 years, the Cellar welcomed beloved international artists, including Dr. Lonnie Smith, George Coleman and Sheila Jordan, while also providing an important stage for Vancouver's own jazz musicians.

On November 15th, VHF will be joined by Cory Weeds and special guests to reflect on the club's cultural history, celebrate its connections to today's thriving local jazz community, and recognize the people who helped shape its legacy.

The presentation marks VHF's final Places That Matter plaque presentation of 2026, a milestone year celebrating the program's 15th anniversary.

For more information about Places That Matter or to explore recognized sites, visit placesthatmatter.ca.

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