



James R. Cassidy, *Music Director*

10 A.M. Tuesday, February 24, 2026
7 Hills Church
Florence, Ky.

James Cassidy, *leader*
Kathy Wade, *vocalist*

“RAGS TO RICHES” The Roots of America’s Musical Heritage

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee” ♦	Traditional
“The Entertainer”	Scott Joplin
“St. Louis Blues” ♦	W.C. Handy
“Queen Rag”	Floyd Willis
“Dark Town Strutters Ball” ♦	Shelton Brooks
“Castle Walk”	James Reese Europe
“Black Bottom Stomp”	Jelly Roll Morton
“Honey Suckle Rose”	Fats Waller
“Weary Blues” ♦	Artie Matthews
Q&A	
“When the Saints Go Marching In” ♦	Traditional

♦ arranged or transcribed by Scot Woolley

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‘RAGS TO RICHES’

NEWPORT RAGTIME BAND

<i>Flute & piccolo</i> Jennifer King	<i>Trombone</i> Brian Stevens	<i>Drums</i> Brian Malone
<i>Clarinet</i> Hal Melia	<i>Piano</i> Everett Moore	<i>Violin</i> Kathryn Woolley
<i>Trumpet</i> John Zappa	<i>Banjo</i> Max Gise	<i>Bass</i> Mike Sharfe



2026 Cincinnati Jazz Hall of Fame inductee, **Kathy Wade** is a multiple regional EMMY-winner and an award-winning international jazz entertainer, producer, CEO, and bridge-builder in the community. Kathy has toured internationally and has opened for legendary artists Shirley Horn, Nancy Wilson and Al Jarreau.

Ms. Wade co-founded Learning Through Art, Inc., which builds community through art, and has impacted over one million participants for more than three decades. A graduate of Edgecliff College with a BA in Sociology, Kathy holds a Master of Arts from College-Conservatory of Music-University of Cincinnati.

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