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# HIGHLIGHTS IN



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**Thursday,  
December 11**

## RETURN OF THE JAM SESSION

- Zoot Sims ● Al Cohn
- Richie Cole ● Benny Bailey
- Junior Mance ● Major Holley
- Walter Perkins

**SPECIAL GUEST: Bob Dorough**

**at N.Y.U. Loeb Student Center**

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# STATESIDE SCENE ~ East Coast

by Lee Jeske

## Reed on

Any occasion for teaming **Al Cohn** with **Zoot Sims** is a welcome one. It's over three decades since the two tenor masters galloped out of the Herman Herd and close to a quarter century since they began their two-tenor conversations. Like Groucho and Chico, their witty dialogues hold never-ending twists and surprises; the harder-toned Cohn sound and the cushier Sims proving perfect foils for each other. Recently they teamed for a pair of New York gigs — one at the Church of the Heavenly Rest which I, regrettably, didn't attend and one at Jack Kleinsinger's 'Highlights In Jazz' which, thankfully, I did.

Kleinsinger's affairs are potpourris. They take the form of jam sessions, but each player gets a solo spot. This can get a bit lengthy and while everybody shines, nobody gets a chance to stretch. Normally this is all right by me, but when you have Messrs. Cohn and Sims together on one stage and you've put together a sparkling rhythm section consisting of **Junior Mance**, **Major Holley** and **Walter Perkins**, there is little reason to add a supporting cast. **Benny Bailey**, a welcome addition to any session, would have been a compelling wrinkle in the reedmen's regimen by himself, but third-generation bebopper **Richie Cole** and French Ben Webster play-alike **Gerard Badini** were included for no good reason, and super-hip pianist/vocalist **Bob Dorough**, whom I personally find extremely annoying, was given a five song spot to himself. Al and Zoot were allowed only one number without the rest of the crowd, aptly *Just You, Just Me*, and it was one of the long evening's best moments.

The entire ensemble (save Dorough) played *Billie's Bounce* and *Cottontail* and (with Dorough) *Au Private*. Walter Perkins stood out with drumwork that snapped, crackled and popped; Major Holley showed that aside from his hum-along bit, he is a spry bopper; Junior Mance romped with bluesy enthusiasm at the keys and the soloists were exactly as one would expect them to be: Cohn and Sims two swinging peas out of one pod; Bailey displaying enormous, bristling chops; Badini aggressive and fat and Cole playing variations on themes from Bird.

As for the features: Major Holley delighted one and all with his arco bass and humming voice on *Willow Weep For Me* (which came out as "De-zwip swado pa soy-yo") and including a chorus of *Santa Claus Is Coming To Town*. Zoot Sims played his warm soprano on *Ghost Of A Chance*, proving that you don't have to sound like a snake-charmer with the straight horn. Benny Bailey played a lovely, strong, lyrical version of Mal Waldron's *Soul Eyes*. And Al Cohn planted his feet, shut his eyes and swung

like the dickens (with Dottie Dodgion replacing Perkins on the tubs).

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The Guide / December 7, 1980

# Music

## JAZZ

### In Concert

**GENE BERTONCINI DUO** — Gui-  
tar, St. Peter's Church, Lex.  
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7:30.

**HEAVENLY JAZZ** — With Al  
Cohn and Zoot Sims. Church  
of the Heavenly Rest, 91st St.  
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**HIGHLIGHTS IN JAZZ** — A jam  
session, with Richie Cole,  
Junior Mance, Zoot Sims,  
Walter Perkins, others. NYU  
Loeb Student Center, 566 La-  
Guardia Pl., Thurs., 8.

**KEITH JARRETT** — Piano.  
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St. At 8.

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Church, Lex. Ave. and 54th  
St. Sun., Dec. 7, 8.

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# ON JAZZ

**ZOOT 'N' AL** — Sims and Cohn that is. The tenor alter-egos have been playing together from time to time since their membership in the famed Four Brothers sax section of the Woody Herman Orchestra of the forties, and were recently in New York for appearances at the Church of the Heavenly Rest and NYU's "Highlights in Jazz Series." Joining the duo at NYU's jam session were alto saxophonist Richie Cole, trumpeter Benny Bailey, pianist Junior Mance, bassist Major Holley and drummer Walter Perkins. fred goodman

NOVEMBER 29, 1980 BILLBOARD

## Jazz Beat

LOS ANGELES — Fat Tuesday's club in Manhattan is the site of a 24 hour non-stop jazzathon benefit Dec. 13 for WBGO FM, the New York area's newest full-time jazz station. Clark Terry heads the list of players appearing at the club.

The club is donating all proceeds to the station. Appearing with Terry on the bill are Art Blakey, Stan Getz, Max Roach, Johnny Hartman, Clifford Jordan, Billy Taylor, David "Fathead" Newman, Michal Urbaniak, Mel Lewis, Sonny Fortune and Lou Donaldson.

The jazzathon will be comprised of 20 sets. WBGO will broadcast the bash commencing at midnight. Upcoming attractions at the club include: McCoy Tyner, Zoot Sims, Dizzy Gillespie, Monty Alexander and the Red Rodney-Ira Sullivan quintet.

The station has already reaped an estimated \$77,482 in pledges from more than 3,000 jazz enthusiasts during a recent five-day "Perpetuate Jazz 88" promotion. The station is located in Newark.

Palsson's, another New York club, will be the location for a taping by "Jazz Alive" radio series Wednesday (26) of vocalist Joe Lee Wilson and Lew Tabackin. Wilson, who lives in Brighton, England, will be backed by a quartet and Tabackin, who lives in L.A., will be accompanied by a trio.

Jack Kleinsinger's "Highlights in Jazz" series at NYU toasts the "Return Of The Jam Session" Dec. 11 at 8 p.m. at the Loeb Student Center. Slated to blow are Zoot Sims, Al Cohn, Richie Cole, Benny Bailey, Junior Mance, Major Holley, Walter Perkins and Bob Dorough.

Lynne Bowley, who made her Broadway debut in "Eubie," headlines "1,000 Years Of Jazz" which opens at the Variety Arts Theatre in L.A. Dec. 2.

World December 10, 1980

# MUSIC

"Return of the Jam Session": Zoot and Al! Benny Bailey! Major Holley, who does funny things with a bow. Walter Perkins, who does funny things with a cymbal. Bob Dorough, who does funny things with his voice. Richie Cole, who thinks he's funny. But mainly, Zoot and Al! December 11 at 8, Loeb Student Center, 566 LaGuardia Place, 598-3757. (Giddins)

The Soho News December 10, 1980

## MUSIC PICKS

**RETURN OF THE JAM SESSION** Normally I'd be suspicious of an event with such a name, but not when the participants include Zoot Sims, Al Cohn, Richie Cole, Benny Bailey, Major Holley, Walter Perkins and Junior Mance. Swing it brothers, swing. NYU Loeb Student Center Thurs. (Shore)

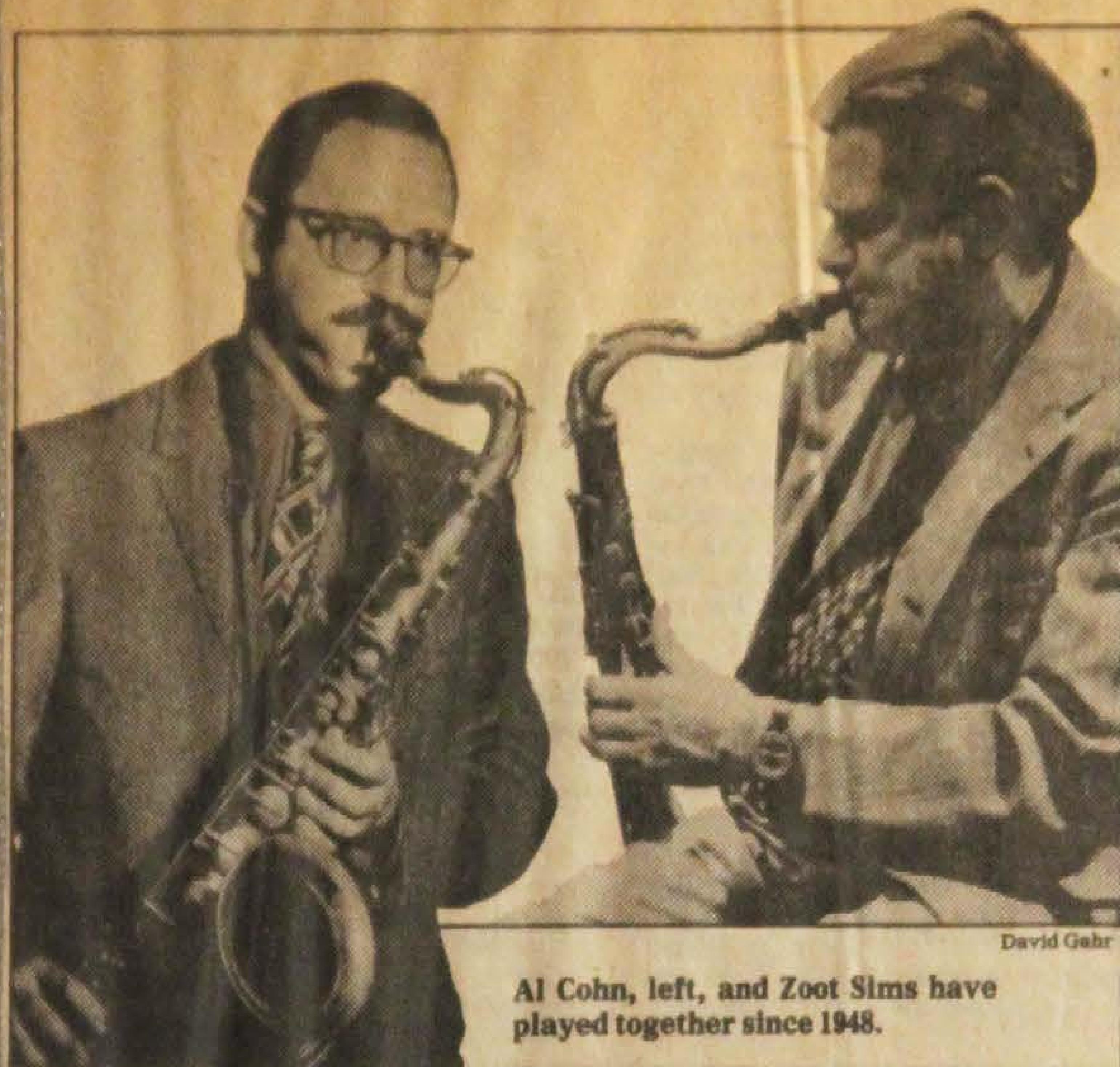
Wednesday, December 3, 1980

## VARIETY

### JAM SESSION

By FRED MURPHY  
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# When Zoot Sims Teams With Al Cohn




Al Cohn, left, and Zoot Sims have played together since 1948.

By JOHN S. WILSON

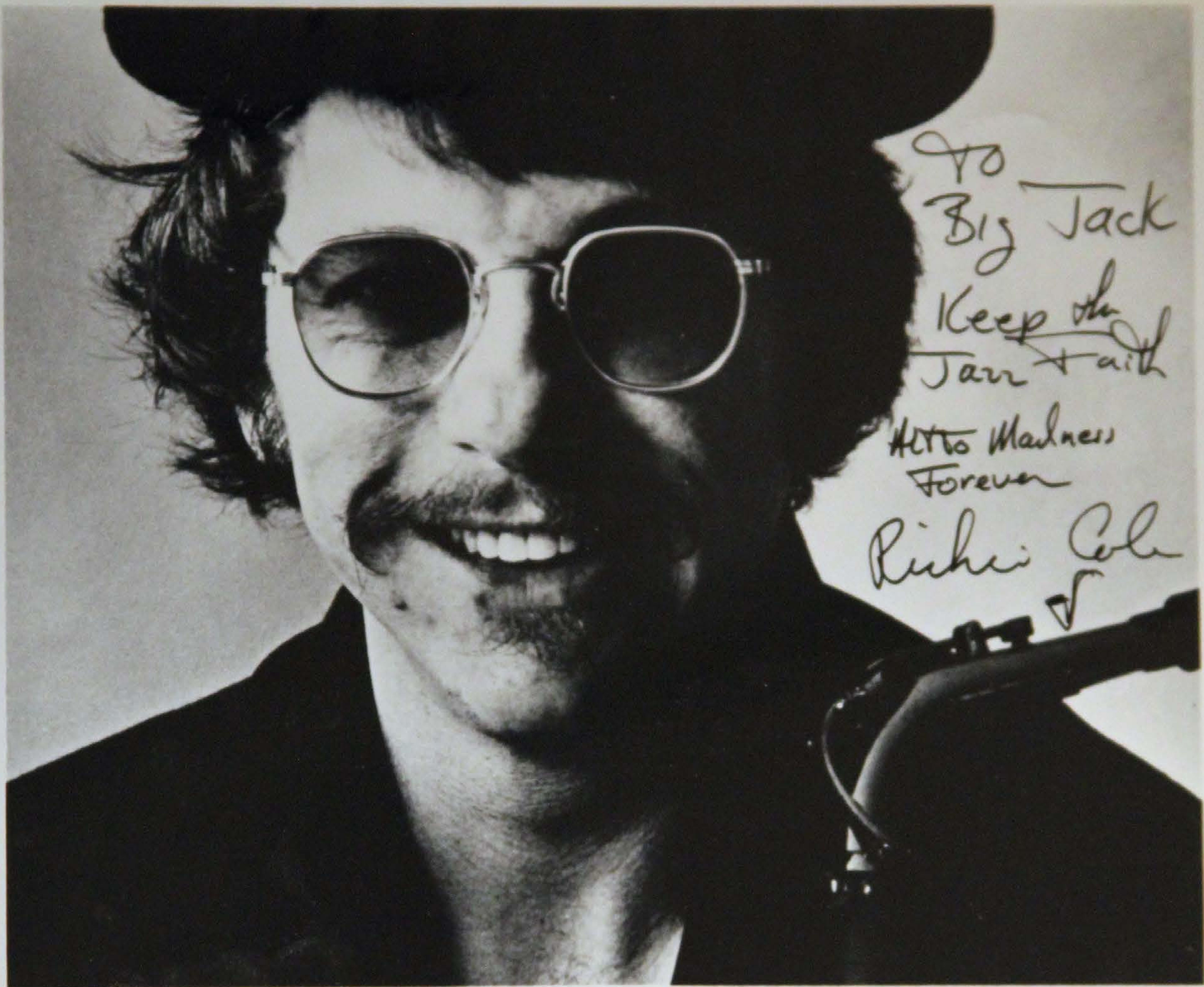
When Al Cohn joined Woody Herman's band in 1948 and became a member of the Four Brothers saxophone section that included Zoot Sims, the two saxophonists started one of the longest continuing musical relationships maintained by any jazzmen except for the basic core of Duke Ellington's orchestra. Thirty-two years later they are still performing together several times a year although, for most of those years, Mr. Cohn has concentrated on writing arrangements and Mr. Sims has followed the gypsy trail of an itinerant musician.

Over the next seven days there will be a splurge of Cohn-Sims activity. On Sunday at 5 P.M. they will perform together at the Church of the Heavenly Rest, Fifth Avenue at 90th Street, as part of the "Heavenly Jazz" series in which one or both have played each year since it began five years ago. Their group will include Jimmie Rowles, piano, Sam Jones, bass, and Billy Hart, drums. Tickets are \$6.50 or, for students with identification and the elderly, \$4.50 (ticket information: 369-8040).

Mr. Cohn and Mr. Sims also will be part of Jack Kleinsinger's "Highlights in Jazz" program next Thursday at 8 P.M. in the Loeb Student Center, La Guardia Place and Washington Square South, where they will join in a jam session that will include another saxophonist, Richie Cole, along with Benny Bailey, trumpet, Junior Mance, piano, Walter Perkins, drums, and the singer Bob Dorough. General admission is \$6; for students, \$4.



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Keep songin'  
Bob Dorough



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