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Darius Brubeck and Catherine Brubeck

Co-founders, Centre for Jazz
and Popular Music
University of KwaZulu-Natal
(Durban, South Africa)

With Special Guest
Colin Miller

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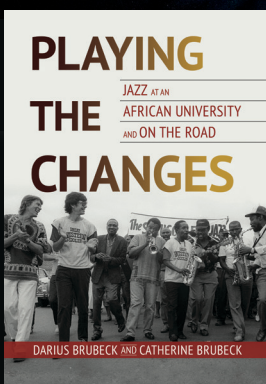
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Jazz and Education in South Africa



In this presentation, Darius and Catherine Brubeck will take us to apartheid-era South Africa, where in 1983 they established a pioneering jazz curriculum and performance program at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. This resilient program brought black and white musicians together to explore and expand the landscape of South African jazz, providing a soundtrack to the freedom struggle and its

aftermath. South African jazz scholar Colin Miller joins the Brubecks for this conversation.

A book signing follows this presentation.