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## **Tia Fuller Quartet Kicks Off Mondavi Center Studio Jazz**

*Davis, Calif.*—The **Tia Fuller Quartet** opens the 2011–12 **Capital Public Radio Studio Jazz Series** at the **Robert and Margrit Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts, UC Davis**. The Quartet performs Wednesday–Saturday, December 7–10 at 8 p.m. in the Vanderhoef Studio Theatre. Information and tickets are available at [MondaviArts.org](http://MondaviArts.org) and 530-754-2787.

**Tia Fuller** has rapidly proven her creative mettle as a member of the all-female band touring with R&B star Beyoncé, as a bandleader in her own right and as an accomplished educator. Fuller has recorded three CDs with her quartet. The most recent, *Decisive Steps*, received the number one *JazzWeek* rating for two weeks straight, ranked number three in *JET Magazine's* top jazz recordings and was nominated for Best Jazz Album in *JazzWeek*.

“The VST, our black box theater, becomes the finest jazz club in town—the sound is great and the performers are up close and personal,” said Don Roth, executive director of the Mondavi Center. “We are thrilled that Tia Fuller will take time off from her tours backing up Beyoncé to return to her first love, classic jazz—she is the ideal performer to start off a stellar series.”

The Studio Jazz Series, sponsored by Capital Public Radio, gives patrons an opportunity to experience the finest jazz musicians up close in a club setting that features cabaret table seating, bar service and a distinctly intimate vibe.

The Studio Jazz Series also includes **Alfredo Rodriguez**, a protégé of Quincy Jones, playing with his trio Wednesday–Saturday, January 25–28 at 8p.m. and the distinctly modern piano trio sounds of **The Bad Plus** Wednesday–Saturday, April 18–21 at 8 p.m.

Complete information about the Mondavi Center’s 2011–12 season is available at [MondaviArts.org](http://MondaviArts.org), 530-754-2787, 866-754-2787 (toll-free) and 530-754-5402 (TDD).

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