

## **Strollin' Jazz Series Comes to East Johnson Street on Friday Evening, May 19<sup>th</sup>**

East Johnson Street will be swinging to the sounds of live jazz on Friday evening, May 19<sup>th</sup>, when the Greater Madison Jazz Consortium brings its popular Strollin' series to the 800 and 900 blocks.

Now in its fourth year, Strollin' is a mini-fest that offers 7 hours of continuous live music performed by some of our community's finest jazz musicians, at multiple venues in a "walkable" neighborhood commercial district like ours. With a staggered performance schedule, and no cover charges, it's easy for attendees to stroll from venue to venue and sample many different jazz styles and bands. And Strollin' events often include an outdoor stage where student jazz ensembles get a chance to perform in a public setting.

The series began in May 2014 with Strollin' Schenk's Corners, and has since been hosted by neighborhoods around Madison (Monroe Street, South Park Street, First Settlement, Main Street, and Hilldale) and beyond (Verona and Middleton). In each case, Strollin' has left in its wake legions of happy fans, venue owners, musicians, and community leaders.

Jazz Consortium producer (and bassist extraordinaire) Nick Moran is in the midst of finalizing venue commitments and booking bands for "Strollin' East Johnson Street." Please stay tuned for info about the performance schedule.