



# Palm Springs Smooth Jazz Festival XVI

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The Hanson House Foundation [www.hansonhouse.org](http://www.hansonhouse.org) is proud to announce the **16th Annual Palm Springs Smooth Jazz Festival, Saturday, May 14th at the Palm Springs Riviera Resort and Spa**. This annual charity benefit will **begin at 6:00pm** with a garden reception featuring **British smooth jazz guitarist Chris Standring** followed by dinner and dancing in the Riviera Grand Ball Room and a two set performance by **super saxman Dave Koz!**

**All proceeds from the evening will benefit the Hanson House Foundation**, the Coachella Valley's first and only hospital hospitality house. **The Mission Statement of the Hanson House** is very simple. "To provide a **community supported facility** with low or no cost services whose dedicated staff and volunteers are committed to making available a safe, clean and caring **temporary HOME AWAY FROM HOME for the families of the critically ill and injured.**

**Hanson House has sixteen guest rooms** accomodating up to **sixtyfour guests** per night. Since opening in **December of 2003**, **more than 5,000 families** have been served with more than **15,000 guests nights**. Hanson House has a **totally volunteer staff** operating **365 days per year**.

**The Palm Springs Smooth Jazz Festival** [www.palmspringsjazz.com](http://www.palmspringsjazz.com) is the 16th Annual fund raiser for the Hanson House Foundation.

**Headliner Dave Koz** [www.davekoz.com](http://www.davekoz.com) In a career that spans twenty years and a dozen albums, saxophonist Dave Koz has established himself as one of the most prominent figures in contemporary music. Koz's **2011 Hello Tomorrow Tour** pushes the reset button for an artist who's been in the game for two decades, and positions him for the next chapter in a story that's already multi-dimensional and compelling.

**Starting off the evening will be British Smooth jazz guitarist Chris Standring** [www.chrisstandring.com](http://www.chrisstandring.com). Over the course of six CDs, Standring has distinguished himself in the contemporary jazz realm with adventurous and lyrical compositions leavened with pure-pop perfection, dazzling guitar solos and thick beats. His latest CD "Blue Bolero" was selected as JazzTrax 2010 Album of the Year.

**Tickets are just \$68 per person for a Jazz Cat Reserved Seat.**

Hanson House Benefactor Tickets including a three course dinner and preferred seating are \$217.50 per person.

**More Information/Purchase Tickets by Phone or On Line:**

**Phone: 760.323.6673**

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