



## ELLINGTON 2008

## Programme Notes

**FRIDAY AM** : Ken Steiner was unable to attend in person; his presentation was given by Steven Lasker.

**SUNDAY AM** : Bill Saxonis' bio came in too late for inclusion in the printed programme :

Bill is a widely recognized authority on issues related to the regulation of the electric utility industry and assessing programmes designed to reduce electricity consumption and pollution. He is a frequent speaker at prestigious energy forums and the author of numerous articles. Outside of the world of energy, Bill has a passionate interest in music, especially, the music, life and times of Duke Ellington. Bill is a contributor to various jazz related publications and his annual Duke Ellington radio specials have attracted a world wide audience. Bill's presentation at Ellington 2008 grew out of research presented at the Institute of Jazz Studies at Rutgers University in 2001. Bill lives and works in Albany, New York.

**SUNDAY PM** : John Fass Morton was unable to attend in person; his presentation was given by Ted Hudson.

George Avakian was sadly unable to attend due to family commitments.

We were pleased to welcome Chris Howes, presenting "My People - Just Who Were Duke's People?" :



Chris is an award-winning music promoter and a well-known London pianist and teacher with long experience in both secondary and adult education. He has worked with many internationally famous jazz musicians. For many years he wrote a popular weekly newspaper jazz column and has done periodic radio broadcasts, from BBC Radio 4 and World Service to local stations.

*"All for the Love of Duke"*

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