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10th Annual Bee Jazzy Benefits Oregon's Pollinators

A year of progress protecting native bees and habitats continues with annual celebration and fundraiser.

Eugene, OR. - On June 13, 2024, Beyond Toxics will host its 10th annual Bee Jazzy celebration and benefit concert to Save Oregon's Bees, featuring live performances by the Halie Loren Jazz Quartet and Mood Area 52 at Silvan Ridge Winery.

Quick Overview:

- Who: Beyond Toxics co-hosts Bee Jazzy with Café Mam and Mountain Rose Herbs.
- What: A benefit concert to support Beyond Toxics' Save Oregon's Bees campaign, featuring the Halie Loren Jazz Quartet and Mood Area 52 with Baroque Betty, a silent auction, B-Heavenly and Tucky's food trucks, and more!
- When: June 13, 2024 from 5:30-9 p.m.
- Tickets: Tickets can be purchased online at beejazzy.org or at the event
- Where: Silvan Ridge Winery, 27012 Briggs Hill Rd. Eugene, OR 97405

Earlier this year, Governor Tina Kotek declared May 15 to be Oregon Native Bee Day at the request of Beyond Toxics and hundreds of petition signers. The Oregon declaration is inspiration to join with Beyond Toxics to celebrate 10 years of successful work to inspire Oregonians to protect and enhance habitat for native bees. Our native bees are uniquely adapted to pollinate native plants to promote thriving food systems and strengthen access to affordable, healthy foods.

The Bee Jazzy fundraiser supports Beyond Toxics efforts to hold educational events and activities such as native bee surveys, maintain a pollinator garden at the Churchill Community Garden, support community gardens, and partner with other organizations and businesses in Oregon that create awareness and ensure a thriving and just future for bees and other native pollinators.

Beyond Toxics provides leadership to build a community-driven environmental justice movement for a thriving and just Oregon. We envision a society where everyone has equitable access to healthy food and clean air and water, and underserved communities are included in decision making processes that affect them. Together, we move beyond the damaging environmental practices of the past and collectively work to support and maintain ecological resilience and balance.