

Music to My Ears - Valley Live Entertainment

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Are you tired of counting the days until the weekend? We certainly understand the disappointment you face when your calendar still says Tuesday. Fear not, you no longer have to wait for Friday to unwind. Strap on your dancing shoes any day of the week and let loose to live music at these entertaining, Valley hot spots.



Kazimierz World Wine Bar

Enter the mysterious, wooden door to find "the truth inside" Kazimierz World Wine Bar. Take a seat on the lush sofas and enjoy the dim ambience of the wine cave while you sip on a bottle of '02 Burgundy. Kazimierz features live entertainment after 9 p.m. on Sundays, Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. The music ranges from smooth jazz on Thursdays with Valley legend, Dennis Rowland to flamenco guitarist, Chris Burton Jacome who performs on Sundays.

7137 East Stetson Drive Scottsdale, AZ, 85251. 480.WINE.004, www.kazbar.net.

Skeptical Chymist

Take a trip to Ireland and don't worry, there is no airfare! You can unearth your inner Irish by hitting the dance floor at Irish restaurant and pub, the Skeptical Chymist. Don't commence your Irish jig without embracing the authenticity of the pub. Order a Guinness to wash down the specialty fish-n-chips. The Skeptical Chymist stages live bands every Wednesday through Saturday with music ranging from traditional Celtic rock to contemporary cover bands.

15688 N. Pima Road Suite #C6, Scottsdale, AZ, 85260. 480.609.8677, www.skepticalchymist.com.

Cocomo Joe's



Take in the cool breeze and salty air_sort of. Cocomo Joe's is the next best thing to being at the beach. Take a vacation from your hectic life and indulge in the colorful, upbeat atmosphere. Cocomo Joe's keeps you dancing with cover bands performing laid-back beach tunes and classic rock until the wee hours of the morning.

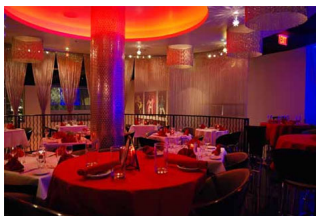
28244 N. Tatum Blvd. Cave Creek, AZ, 85331. 480.538.8008, www.azseats.com/cocomojoes.

Handlebar J

Do you feel like doing some two steppin'? Handlebar J's in Scottsdale is the place to break in your cowboy boots. The Herndon family has owned and operated the historic building since 1975 and they maintain the same authentic, Western style saloon. The Herndon Brothers band plays every Wednesday through Sunday, beginning at 8:30 p.m. Handlebar J's also features live music on Mondays and Tuesdays so you can get your country-Western fix every day of the week.

7116 E. Becker Lane Scottsdale, AZ 85254. 480.948.0110, www.handlebarj.com.

Bobby's Restaurant and Jazz Lounge



Impress your loved one with a luxurious night out of dining and dancing at Bobby's restaurant and Jazz Lounge. Bobby's features live contemporary jazz nightly in its chic and elegant lounge. A combination of Las Vegas and Hollywood vibes will get you humming to the sounds of Sinatra in no time.

7122 E. Greenway Pkwy. Scottsdale, AZ 85254. 480.556.0770, www.mancusosrestaurant.com/bobbys.

Martini Ranch

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Martini Ranch in Old Town Scottsdale is known for being the live music destination in the Valley for years. What many don't know is that Martini Ranch provides a high-energy, chic upstairs club, ideal for those who need some room to dance. The Shaker Room features a variety of DJ performers, an abundance of dance space and a bar with an extravagant V.I.P. seating area. If dancing isn't your fort , Martini Ranch brings some of the hottest rock bands to the Main Stage downstairs every Wednesday through Sunday.

7295 E. Stetson Dr. Scottsdale, AZ 85251. 480.970.0500, www.martiniranchaz.com.

Barcelona

Barcelona in Scottsdale never fails to provide a unique dining experience in an elegant, Old World style atmosphere. It's after dinner however, when the New World meets the Old World and the house band fills the air with energetic dance music that will get you on your feet. Barcelona's house band, Generation, performs every Thursday, Friday and Saturday night from 10 p.m. until close. During the week, Valley band Silhouette performs smooth jazz, R&B and romantic tunes every Tuesday and Wednesday from 7 to 10 p.m.

15440 N. Greenway Hayden Loop Scottsdale, AZ 85260. 480.603.0370, www.barcelonarestaurant.com.

Blue Martini



With nearly 40 specialty martini choices, Blue Martini certainly holds true to its name. This brand new, City North hotspot is sure to keep the crowds coming seven nights a week. Mingle with the beautiful people on the enormous patio, complete with an outdoor bar so you can take advantage of the daily food and drink specials. Live bands keep you dancing seven nights a week here too, so grab a Down & Dirty specialty martini and get down and dirty on the spacious dance floor.