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Swing into 'A Night at the Copa' at Ocean County Library Jackson Branch

JACKSON TOWNSHIP – Travel back to the era of fashionable night spots and memorable music. Join singer Deb Lyons and pianist John Bianculli for "A Night at the Copa: Swinging Songs of the '60s" at the Ocean County Library Jackson Branch, 6:30 PM Wednesday, August 23.

The duo will perform "The Man That Got Away," "That's Life," "I Love Being Here With You," and more classics made famous by Judy Garland, Frank Sinatra, Peggy Lee, and others in the pop music pantheon.

Deb Lyons is familiar to theatergoers for her starring role in the Broadway and West End productions of Smokey Joe's Café, her portrayal of "Lucy" in the first national tour of Jekyll & Hyde, and roles in Hairspray, Side by Side by Sondheim, and many others.

She toured as a member of The Mamas & The Papas with founders John Phillips and Denny Doherty, has sung with the Ottawa Symphony, and has performed alongside Rick Springfield, Carrie Underwood, The Chieftains, Martha Reeves, and many others. Her CD *Dream a Little* is available on iTunes and <u>deblyonsmusic.com</u>.

Pianist John Bianculli, founder of the New Brunswick Jazz Collective, scored the film Lit'l Boy Grown. He has opened for Céline Dion and has accompanied jazz stars such as Jeanie Bryson, Steve Nelson, Regina Belle, Bobby Watson, and Cassandra Wilson.

John appeared in United Nations concerts honoring Lionel Richie and PBS's Judy Woodruff, and has filled clubs including the Blue Note, Jazzmania, and the Rainbow Room in New York, as well as Washington D.C.'s One Step Down and Blues Alley.

Please register at <u>www.theoceancountylibrary.org/events</u> to attend this free program, sponsored by Jackson Friends of the Library. For more information, visit the OCL Jackson Branch, 2 Jackson Drive, or call (732) 928-4400.

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John Bianculli Photo by Bridget Lauden

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