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## **Exploring Jazz with New Sounds: Madeleine Peyroux and Nellie McKay to Perform at the Wisconsin Union Theater**

The Wisconsin Union Theater begins the 2011-2012 Season's Isthmus Jazz Series with Madeleine Peyroux, one of jazz's most compelling leading female vocalists. She will appear Wednesday, October 12, 2011, 8:00 pm, with opener Nellie McKay. Ticket prices are \$38, \$34, \$25 for general admission, \$34 and \$30 for Union members and UW-Madison faculty and staff, and \$10 for UW-Madison students. Call the Box Office at 608-265-ARTS (2787), fax your order at 608-265-5084, buy online [here](#), or purchase in person at the Campus Arts Ticketing box office in Memorial Union, 800 Langdon St. or Vilas Hall, 821 University Ave.

With a distinct vocal style reminiscent of Billie Holiday, Madeleine Peyroux hit the jazz scene on the streets of Europe as a teenage busker. Since then she has garnered critical acclaim for each of her six albums and for her live performances, including one in the Wisconsin Union Theater in 2007. She has artistically collaborated with heavy hitters such as Joe Henry and Steely Dan's Walter Becker. "Standin' on the Roof," her sixth album which was released this spring, has gained critical and popular acclaim.

Opening is the fabulous Nellie McKay, whose vocal versatility both on and off Broadway has won her a Theater World Award. Her experimental vocal style, which spans jazz, rap, disco, and funk, makes her an excellent match for Peyroux. These lively and passionate performers promise a one of a kind experience.

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