

Korbel Brandy Stage • Saturday 1:00

Davina Sowers, pianist & singer from Florida, has been warming Minnesota up since she moved here in 2005. Sowers is a classically trained pianist with years of experience in piano performance, so she can belt it out with the grit of Joplin or bring down the house with melodic phrasing that reminds one of Bonnie Raitt. She earned her music degree in music composition and has since shared the stage with Little Feet, Buddy Guy, Elvin Bishop, The Lamont Cranston Band, and The Blues Brothers, among others, at venues such as the new House of Blues in Atlantic City, NJ, and here at the Bayfront Blues Festival. She performs with The Vagabonds including: Michael Carvale (standup & electric bass), Scottie Schultz or Patrick Hulme (drums & vocals), Brian “Zoot” Simonds (saxophone), and Jeff Carver (trumpet). Carvale, originally from New Jersey, attended the McNally School of Music as a guitarist, but picked up bass at the age of 23. Schultz began at age four and now has a degree from McNally Smith College of Music. Hulme has also been playing since he was a little kid and studied music at the University of Minnesota. Simonds plays just about every type of saxophone you can think of and is standing on over three decades of experience. Carver plays to many dif-



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ferent styles in his work on stage performing or in the classroom as a clinician with high school and college bands. Feel the heat at 1:00 on Saturday radiating from the Korbel Brandy Stage, and again for a free Saturday night show at Greysolon Plaza Ballroom.