

# CITY OF GABRIELS

## The History of Jazz in St. Louis, 1895-1973



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*Dennis Owsley*

#### DATE:

**Thursday, April 19, 2018**

#### TIME:

**6:30-7:30 p.m.**

*"City of Gabriels-The Jazz History of St. Louis 1895-1973"* is the first and only book on the history of jazz in St. Louis. It covers ragtime and pre-jazz. The book also discusses the development of jazz in St. Louis during the riverboat days, the Great Depression, World War II, the 1950's, Gaslight Square and the Black Artists' Group of the late 1960's and early 1970's. It is an oral history and also includes many historical photographs.

Dennis Owsley has been collecting and studying jazz music since 1958. Trained as a scientist, he began his broadcast career at St. Louis Public Radio, 90.7 KWMU in 1983 and is now in his 35th year bringing jazz to St. Louis. His current show, "Jazz Unlimited," covers all styles and eras of jazz from Louis Armstrong to the latest recordings.

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