

## FIRST CONCERT AT NEW VENUE IN HAVERTOWN JESSE LOEWY BAND CD RELEASE CONCERT

**Havertown, Pa., June 18, 2019** – Havertown resident Jesse Loewy and his band will be the inaugural performers at the new Kelly Center, 4 E. Eagle Rd., Havertown, PA 19083 on Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm-10:30pm. Doors open at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door. For ticket information, visit KellyCenter.org.

In addition to their regular blues, jazz and funk repertoire, <u>The Jesse Loewy Band</u> will play A TRIBUTE TO ARETHA FRANKLIN, a two-song CD featuring "(You Make Me Feel Like) A Natural Woman" and "Respect" two iconic songs from the "Queen of Soul."

"I always admired Aretha," said Loewy. "And when she passed away, I just felt like I had to do something to pay tribute to her and her music. Hopefully, the audience will approve."

"Our mission at the Kelly Center will be to support local music and arts," said Kelly Music for Life Chairman Tom Kelly. "It is very exciting for us that our debut concert in the venue is with Jesse Loewy. We are longtime supporters of the Jazz Residency program at Haverford High School and first saw Jesse perform as a teenager. We knew right away he was going to be special."

At 13, Jesse formed his own band and started performing with them professionally almost every weekend. After starting out doing bar/restaurant gigs, The Jesse Loewy Band advanced to performing at various festivals and establishments including; King Biscuit Blues Festival, Briggs Farm Blues Festival, Destination Blues Festival, World Cafe Live at the Queen, Rose Tree Park Summer Festival, The Ardmore Music Hall, Paoli Blues Festival, State Street Blues Stroll, Media Food Festival and many more while still doing restaurant gigs on the side. Jesse's frequent performances and his ability to make connections led to many opportunities to share the stage with many wonderful musicians including; Marcus Miller, David Bromberg, Al Chez (Former trumpet player for the Late Show with David Letterman), Herb Smith (Patti Labelle's guitar player for more than 20 years), Lonnie Shields, Leroy Hawkes, Slam Allen, Conrad Herwig, and many more. As much as Jesse loves to play the blues, his classically trained upbringing helped him expand his ability to play Jazz along with many other styles.

Formed in 2012 as an all-volunteer 501c3 non-profit organization, Kelly Music for Life, Inc. produces and promotes Music and Arts events to benefit the community. Kelly Music for Life serves Haverford Township and surrounding communities through its network of strategic partners, local community leadership, sponsors, the music industry, performers, local businesses and regional media outlets.

Kelly Music for Life festivals, concerts and music programs reach over 25,000 people per year. Net event proceeds have funded over 20 grants for music education and other local community initiatives. In 2017, Kelly Music for Life acquired the building at 4&6 E. Eagle Road in Havertown to create the Kelly Center for Music, Arts and Community.

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