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## **Multiple Grammy Winner David Sanborn Brings Sax to Carpenter Center March 15**

*The man who has performed with David Bowie, Stevie Wonder and James Taylor is taking on polio at his upcoming Carpenter Center performance.*

**LONG BEACH, Calif.** – Six-time Grammy-winner David Sanborn will bring his genre-defying saxophone style to the Richard and Karen Carpenter Performing Arts Center on the Cal State Long Beach campus March 15 at 2 p.m.

Sanborn has released 24 albums—eight certified gold, one certified platinum. He’s also won six Grammys for R&B, jazz and pop recordings. After hearing his soaring saxophone solos, many would be surprised that David Sanborn was not always well enough to even blow into the instrument.

“I was in the hospital for a couple of years as a kid, in an iron lung and paralyzed from the neck down,” he said in a 2013 interview. “Gradually I regained my strength, actually picked up the saxophone as therapy... to build up my lungs.”

With outbreaks of diseases from yesteryear like the measles back in the headlines, the Carpenter Center is donating proceeds from the concert to benefit the Rotary Foundation. The Rotary Foundation seeks to eradicate polio by sponsoring the immunization of children in the three countries where the disease continues to wreak havoc: Pakistan, Afghanistan and Nigeria.

Single tickets are still available and on sale now, starting at \$40. For tickets and more information, visit [CarpenterArts.org](http://CarpenterArts.org) or call the Carpenter Center Ticket Office at (562) 985-7000. This series is made possible in part by Season Media Partner KPCC 89.3 FM. For photos, please contact Peter Schelden.

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