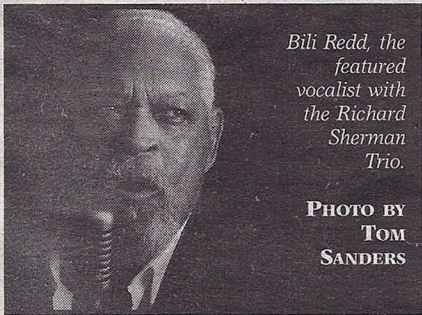


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*Bili Redd, the
featured
vocalist with
the Richard
Sherman
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Jazz for the holidays

The best kept musical secret in the South Bay for the last two years has been the ongoing residency of the **Richard Sherman Trio featuring Bili Redd** at the Terranea Resort in Palos Verdes Estates.

Those in the know flock to The Living Room - the large room with couches and a crackling fireplace near the main lobby bar - every Friday and Saturday night from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. to listen to an extraordinary group of musicians at the very height of their powers. Sherman has been the South Bay's resident jazz pianist for 46 years and running, but of late he has assembled his finest band yet - featuring bassist Adam Cohen (whose experience includes playing with Ernie Watts, Ray Charles, and Englebert Humperdinck), drummer Jon Stuart (Ed Thigpen, Louis Bellson) and three-time Grammy-nominated, Gospel Hall of Fame inductee vocalist Bili Redd (see an upcoming Beach magazine profile of this magisterial singer).

"The caliber of musicianship is extraordinary," Sherman says. "I have the best players in the city with me."

The Richard Sherman Trio plays every Friday and Saturday, including Christmas Eve and a special New Year's Eve show (8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.) that also includes an optional seafood buffet at the Catalina Grill (the music is always free; the buffet is \$89).

smoke cigars, and trade guitar licks), Charlie Musselwhite, and the Fabulous Thunderbirds. Fletcher has never lost touch with his roots, however, and he regularly returns to where it all began, back at the Boogaloo.

Kirk Fletcher plays Café Boogaloo Friday night from 9 to 11:30 p.m.

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