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## **October 13: Matthew Whitaker and Friends to perform at benefit for Long Island Soundkeeper**

Stamford, Conn. – The public is invited to a sunset cocktail party in Stamford on Friday October 13, hosted by Steve and Fern Loeb, and featuring presentations by Save the Sound and a live jazz performance by Matthew Whitaker.

Curt Johnson, executive director of Connecticut Fund for the Environment and its bi-state program Save the Sound, will discuss the return of a Long Island Soundkeeper earlier this summer, and the need for immediate funding for a new boat engine.

Bill Lucey, the new Long Island Soundkeeper will discuss his efforts to watchdog the waters of Long Island sound, including a detail report on his first two months of patrols, and his goals for the coming year.

Matthew Whitaker, sixteen year old jazz prodigy featured on the return of Showtime at the Apollo and the Ellen show, will perform along with friends Gabrielle Garo, Wes Whitelock, and Donovan Marshall.

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres of David's Soundview Catering will be provided, as well as tours of Stamford Harbor on the Soundkeeper boat, the 'Terry Backer'.

The reception is open to the public, tickets are \$100. Donations will support Save the Sound's work to stop polluters and restore coastal habitats along Long Island Sound. Please visit [www.tinyurl.com/skstamford](http://www.tinyurl.com/skstamford) to purchase tickets.

**What:** Long Island Soundkeeper Benefit – With Performance by Matthew Whitaker and Friends

**Where:** 232 Harbor Drive, Stamford, CT

**When:** Friday, October 13, 2017  
6:30-9:00 p.m.

**Who:** Curt Johnson, executive director, Connecticut Fund for the Environment and its bi-state program Save the Sound  
Steve and Fern Loeb, Stamford residents, Long Island Soundkeeper supporters  
Bill Lucey, Save the Sound, Long Island Soundkeeper  
Matthew Whitaker, jazz musician.

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