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Flutist Ali Ryerson Returns to Mattatuck Museum's First Thursday

Waterbury, CT... Ali Ryerson, one of the most exciting and versatile flutists on the scene today, will perform at the Mattatuck Museum's First Thursday on December 1, 2011 from 5:30 - 7:30pm. Ms. Ryerson performs with an amazing depth and fullness of sound.

Ali Ryerson has toured the USA, Canada, Europe, Japan and Africa, and has performed in many major jazz festivals, including the famed Monterey Jazz Festival, the JVC in New York, Guinness Festival in Scotland, and Carnegie Hall. She has performed with such diverse talents as Dr. Billy Taylor, Kenny Barron, Stephane Grappelli and Frank Wess.

Ms. Ryerson has released over a dozen jazz albums which include two recordings, in duo, with guitarist Joe Beck. The most recent recordings are with Flutology, 'First Date' featuring the Frank Wess and Holly Hofmann, and Ryerson & Rudolph's 'Soul Quest', featuring Steve Rudolph on piano and Steve Varner on bass.

First Thursday, a fun after hours event, is a great way to meet up with friends, network with business associates and enjoy live music. To purchase tickets in advance call Cathy Filippone at (203) 753-0381 ext 10. Or go to the website at www.MattatuckMuseum.org for more information and to register online. Admission is \$7 for museum members and \$15 for non-members. Join the museum or renew your membership on First Thursday and get in free!

All Jazz First Thursday is produced through the generous collaboration of Litchfield Jazz Producer and Director, Vita Muir and WZBG Radio Personality and Jazz Guru, Mike Gow and sponsored by The Mayor's Council on Art and Tourism. All Jazz First Thursdays feature performing artists from the world renowned Litchfield Jazz Festival. Piano tuning by Randy Cassotto. For more information about First Thursdays, the museum's collections, or other programs please call (203) 753-0381 ext 10 or visit the website at www.MattatuckMuseum.org. The Mattatuck Museum is located 144 West Main Street, Waterbury, the museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. Convenient, free parking is located in any of the lots on Park Place.