

All Jazzed Up



Featuring
András Weber, *cello*
Attila Fias, *piano*
George Koller, *bass*
Richard Brisco, *drums*

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St. George's on-the-hill Anglican Church, Toronto*

Programme

Suite for Cello and Jazz Trio

Claude Bolling

1. *Baroque in Rhythm*

2. *Concertante*

Colours for Jazz Trio

Attila Fias

Suite for Cello and Jazz Trio

Claude Bolling

3. *Galop*

4. *Ballade*

Song for My Uncle for Jazz Trio

Attila Fias

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5. *Romantique*

6. *Cello Fan*

András Weber | Biography

András Weber received his musical training in Budapest, Hungary. His teachers included Emese Molnar, Ferenc Wilhelm and Endre Lengyel. His mentor, Janos Starker, has been a major influence in his work. He has been principal cellist with orchestras in: Hungary- Vasas Symphony, National Theatre Chamber Orchestra; in Mexico City – Orchesta Mexicana de la Juventud; and Canada – OJQ, National Chamber Orchestra, Brantford Symphony. He has given concerts in North America, Europe and Asia. He was the winner of DEBUT in Montreal where The Gazette called him a "generously gifted" musician who plays with a "nicely coloured and singing tone."



Mr. Weber has recorded in Hungary and Canada. He was the founding artistic director of the concert series 'Music Alive!', teaches at the Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto and King's Christian Collegiate in Oakville. He is the principal cellist of Sinfonia Toronto "premier" chamber orchestra and Canadian Sinfonietta. He is the founding member of the Toronto Piano Trio and was a member of the famed Arthur LeBlanc quartet. He is presently directing the "King's Concert Series" in Oakville.

Attila Fias | Biography

Attila Fias is an accomplished pianist, composer, arranger, and a jazz/world music artist. His playing has been called spectacular, pyrotechnic, stunning and sophisticated, but reviewers have also called him a lyrical piano interpreter, 'a truly inspired artist that gives new life to the already great works of others'.



He has performed/recorded and toured worldwide with celebrated international musicians such as Oscar-winning Indian superstar A.R. Rahman, world-renowned tabla master Zakir Hussain and New York harmonica virtuoso Hendrik Meurkens, among countless others.

With over 100 internationally distributed albums to his credit, Attila has been awarded several gold and platinum records and has also recorded three albums of original music.

His recent performances include the Toronto, Vancouver and Victoria Jazz Festivals and the 2020 February Northern Lights Music Festival in Ajijic, Mexico. He also performs annually with Soulpepper theater company, including a recent several week tour to New York City, where they received rave reviews in the New York Times and other publications.

George Koller | Biography

George Koller is a bassist, producer, composer, multi-instrumentalist and promoter of jazz and world music of all varieties. In a wildly diverse and expansive career, he has performed, or toured and recorded with Peter Gabriel, Eartha Kitt, Chaka Khan, Eddie Harris, Loreena Mckennitt, David Clayton-Thomas, Jim McCarty of the Yardbirds, Ian Tyson, The Shuffle Demons, Laila Biali, John Mcdermott, Larry Coryell, Karrin Allyson, Phil Woods, Michael Mcdonald, Carvin Winans, Valdy, Eliana Cuevas, Holly Cole . . . just to name a few.



A prolific composer and producer and bassist, George also plays a variety of instruments; many of them featured on his award-winning (HMV "fresh blood" grand prize) solo CD entitled "Music for Plants, Animals and Humans". He also has several solo recordings on the Solitudes/Avalon/Reflections labels. He has performer/bassist/credits on over 1500 CDs, and producer credits on 250 CDs. His latest solo album is called "Secret Space Program" and features a diverse collection of songs in many styles.

George has toured Canada at least 35 times, and has performed around the world.

Richard Brisco | Biography

Richard Brisco is a passionate & versatile drummer based in Toronto, Canada. Since graduating with a Bachelor of Music in Jazz Performance from the University of Toronto, his studies have taken him to Brazil, Cuba and Venezuela.

Richard has performed internationally on seven continents and at major international jazz festivals. As a member of the Toronto Samba-Jazz Connection, he has been

performing with harmonica virtuoso, Hendrik Meurkens, since 2006. Richard has been performing with jazz legend Barry Harris and the "We Are One Project" since 2012. As a member of the Attila Fias Quartet, he was invited to perform at the Emmy Awards Governors Ball in Los Angeles.

Richard has performed with international jazz giants Arturo Sandoval, Barry Harris, Charles McPherson and Don Thompson as well as many other top Canadian jazz musicians.

