

Musicians

Rainer Sander (Clarinet and Alto Saxophone)

Rainer Sander was born in Königs Wusterhausen near the city of Berlin. By profession he is a Doctor of Medicine. He received instrument instruction from Heinz Both in Hannover from 1958 to 1963 where he also performed with Jonny's New Orleans Jazz Band from 1961 to 1963. Rainer was a member of the New College Six during his medical studies in Marburg /Lahn. He has been a resident of Munich since 1969 and is a founding member of the Allotria Jazz Band, becoming band leader in 1982, contributing his composing and arranging in addition to his other duties. He also founded „Swing Wing“ in the late nineties, the „band within the band“, a quartet in the style of Benny Goodman and Peanuts Hucko, with whom he enjoyed a long and enduring friendship.

Colin T. Dawson (Trumpet)

Born in Jarrows, England, Colin began playing trumpet at age 10. He lived in New Orleans for 6 months at age 17 and received musical instruction from Jabbo Smith. Later he performed there with Kid Thomas and Preston Jackson. After graduating on trumpet from the „College of Arts“ in Newcastle he founded the „Onward Band“, with whom in 1979 he recorded the first of his 40 LPs and CDs. He has performed with many guest stars including Ray Brown, Benny Waters, Clark Terry and Buddy DeFranco, and has taken countless international tours as a soloist. He is a member of the „Echoes of Swing“. In Germany Colin became well known to a wide audience in part because of his membership as soloist and arranger in the Allotria Jazz Band which he joined in 1988. His brilliant and energetic playing evokes memories of the great Swing trumpeters Roy Eldridge und Charlie Shavers.

Andrey Lobanov (Trumpet)

Andrey was Born in Novosibirsk, Russia, educated at the Academy for Music in Novokusnetz (Russia) majoring on trumpet and graduating with honors. He began performing in jazz clubs in Novosibirsk starting in 1991 and also went on tour with the local symphony orchestra to various European countries. For a number of years he contributed his talents as a member of the Igor Butman Orchestra in Moscow. He lives in Germany since 2001, performing with various orchestras (Sunday Night, Summit Jazz, Charlie Antolini). He lives in Nürnberg, teaches at the Musikhochschule in Leipzig and has been a member of the Allotria Jazz band since 2007.

Mathias Goetz (Trombone)

Mathias Goetz grew up in Baden Württemberg. He is a professional maker of brass instruments who studied the trombone with Hermann Breuer at the Richard Strauss Music Academy in Munich. He published two CDs with compositions of his own under the title of „Windstaerke 4“. With „RoBErT GoEtZ“ he realized a very special project: A vinyl disc exclusively using his voice for instrumentation. Matthias is sideman in various projects and groups as Unterbiberger Hofmusik, dem Claus Raible Bob-Chestra, der Hochzeitskapelle, den Jungen Tenören, dem Alien Ensemble or dem Tied and Tickled Trio.

Thilo Wagner (Piano)

Thilo Wagner was born in Brühl and started playing piano at age 5. He received his classical musical education in Karlsruhe and has played in many name bands such as those of Emil Mangelsdorff and Charlie Antolini, as well as the European Swing All Stars. Up to the present he has recorded 60 CD's as well as a Direct to Disk LP in 2008. He has made appearances in festivals all over Europe, the USA, Canada and South America and is the winner of the soloist award of the festival in Vienne France and Honorary Citizen of the city of New Orleans. He has played with Jim Hall, Art Farmer, Charlie Mariano, Slide Hampton, Buddy DeFranco and many others and has been a member of the Allotria Jazz Band since 1998.

Peter Cischeck (Upright Bass)

The only Allotrian born in upper Bavaria (Gauting), he has been a member of the band since 1994. Peter started performing at age 12 in the fields of blues and jazz-rock/fusion. His classical musical education was at the Richard-Strauss-Conservatory with a degree in orchestra performance. He has been a member of a diverse selection of big bands in Munich such as Al Porcino, Harald Rutschenbaum, Gerry Hayes, as well as Charly Antolini Jazz Power and has played with Danny Moss, Benny Bailey, Don Menza, Ray Anthony, Al Martino and many others. Outside of music he is a third degree black-belt and director of a Taekwondo school.

Gregor Beck (Drums)

Born in Ravensburg Gregor Beck switched from guitar to drums at age 17 and graduated from the Music Conservatory of Augsburg with degrees in music education and orchestra performance. His mentor Oscar Klein introduced him to the national and international jazz scene. Over the years he has played with stars such as Benny Waters, Milt Hinton, Georgie Fame, recorded countless CDs, and is regularly booked on All Star tours. His drum battles with Charlie Antolini, Pete York and others have drawn enthusiastic attention. Gregor is one of the most profiled drummers on the European jazz scene and his playing style reminds one of his great role models Sid Catlett, Jo Jones und Gene Krupa. For a few years now he is also touring with the Big Chris Barber Band on a regular basis.

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