

CLAUDE DIALLO

JAZZPIANIST / COMPOSER



"Claude Diallo demonstrates a thorough understanding of the jazz piano tradition, but is also strikingly original - clearly, someone with a unique voice and sensibility. His compositions are very involved and take the listener on an incredible imaginative journey."

- David Berkman (pianist, composer and author)

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ABOUT CLAUDE DIALLO

Internationally acclaimed jazz pianist Claude Diallo travels around the globe to play his music which entices a cosmopolitan audience. With his trio Claude Diallo Situation he released several albums, won various awards and performed at different jazz festivals and venues in Europe, America and Asia. His early love to Jazz happened through the music of Oscar Peterson and after intense studies at Berklee College of Music in Boston and the Aaron Copland School of Music in New York, Claude Diallo launched his career in the city that never sleeps and stayed there for 11 years, collaborating with the best musicians in his field. With his motto: Traveling with Music, he started touring outside of his native Switzerland at the age of 20 and through his curiosity, admiration and passion towards other cultures, he built a worldwide network, which is still growing.

SELECTED AWARDS

2012

Best band of Switzerland through the Kind of Jazz Competition

2011

Cultural Achievement Award from the Kanton of St. Gallen

2009

3rd place at the Montreux Jazz Festival Bösendorfer Solo Piano Competition

2008

Cultural Achievement Award from the City of St. Gallen

2019

Work Contribution Ausserrhodische Cultural Foundation



"Claude Diallo is a very talented and professional young jazz pianist, which has a bright future to come."

- Andy McGhee (tenor sax player with Lionel Hampton, Woody Hermann)

"Claude Diallo brings inovative cocepts to the accepted styles of piano / composition. He has more than enough background to prove it."

- Ray Santisi (pianist and mentor of Keith Jarrett, Diana Krall, Joe Zawinul)

Harmonica/Vibes player:

Hendrik Meurkens <http://hendrikmeurkens.com/>

Sax players:

Andy McGhee <https://bit.ly/2HWXHgj>

Yucco Miller <https://www.yuccosax.com/>

Julian Chan <https://ju-lianchanmusic.com/>

Linus Wyrsh <https://www.linusmusic.com/>

Patrick Bianco <https://www.patrickbianco.ch/>

Singers:

Denzal Sinclair <http://bit.ly/2TyQh4n>

Chiara Izzi <http://www.chiaraizzi.com/>

Anne Evenou <http://www.anne-evenou.com/>

Jennifer Hirsh <https://www.jenhirsh.com/>

Bruna Caram <http://brunacaram.com.br/>

Trumpet players:

Amik Guerra <https://www.amikguerra.com/>

Howard Brofsky <https://bit.ly/2SAIQME>

Dai Kimoto <https://www.swingkids.ch>

Drummers:

Andy Bauer <http://andybauer.net/>

Massimo Buonanno <https://bit.ly/2DhTLRF>

Eliot Zigmund <http://eliotzigmundjazz.com/>

Louis Cato <http://louiscato.com/>

Jonathan Barber <http://jonathanbarbermusic.com/>

Bass players:

Luques Curtis <http://www.luquescurtis.com/>

Rosario Bonaccorso <http://www.rosariobonaccorso.com/>

Curtis Ostle <http://www.curtisostle.net/>

Laurent Salzard <http://laurentsalzard.com/>

Violin:

Scott Tixier <http://www.scott-tixier.com>

Yilian Canizares <http://www.yiliancanizares.com>



"Pianist and composer Claude Diallo displays a striking array of talents on his new release, Now Then. His trio, the Situation, plays with a refreshing cohesiveness and dynamism and Diallo leads the way with his robust technique, cleverness and palpable sense of joy."

- Terrell Holmes (The New York City Jazz Record, March 2011 Issue)

"...without any exaggeration, musically the most precious, what young Jazz musicians from Eastern Switzerland created since the last five to ten years..."

- St. Galler Tagblatt (Switzerland)

"...He`s a world class composer..."

- Queen Buzz (New York City)

CONCERT HIGHLIGHTS

ASIA

TAIWAN (2007 - 2015) Taipei International Jazz Festival; Marsalis Bar Kaohsiung and Taipei

SINGAPORE (2007, 2010, 2013) Esplanade Jazz Festival; Dinner for Swiss President Doris Leuthard

REPUBLIC OF THE MALDIVES (2010) Island Bandos

THAILAND (2010, 2012, 2019) Residence of the Swiss Ambassador in Bangkok

HONG KONG (2010 - 2013, 2015, 2018 - 2019) Make Music Festival; New Vision Festival, Music Beyond Borders; Orange Peel Jazz Club

MALAYSIA (2010, 2013 - 2014, 2017) World Youth Jazz Festival Kuala Lumpur; No Black Tie Jazz Club Kuala Lumpur

CHINA (2011 - 2013, 2015, 2018 - 2019) JZ Jazz Club Shanghai; La Plantation Beijing

JAPAN (2013 - 2015, 2017 - 2018) Ikebukuro Jazz Festival Tokyo; Royal Horse Jazz Club Osaka

PHILIPPINES (2014 - 2015, 2017, 2019) Bacolod Jazz Festival; Manila Jazz Festival; Residence of the Swiss Ambassador in Manila

KOREA (2017) Jazzda Seoul

EUROPE

SWITZERLAND (1995 - 2019) Montreux Jazz Festival, Festival da Jazz St. Moritz, Ascona Jazz Festival, Lucerne Festival, New Orleans meets St. Gallen, Kaufleuten Zurich

GERMANY (2002 - 2003, 2007, 2010, 2012 - 2018) COMA Berlin, Badisches Staatstheater and Hemingway Lounge Karlsruhe

AUSTRIA (2002 - 2003, 2008, 2012) Reigen Live Vienna, Kammgarn Hard

ALBANIA (2003) Tirana Symphonie Hall

LUXEMBOURG (2008) Inoui Jazz Club

ISRAEL (2008) Shablul Jazz Club Tel-Aviv

FRANCE (2009 - 2010, 2014 - 2015) Le Duc des Lombards Paris

SPAIN (2012) Residence of the Swiss Ambassador in Madrid

ENGLAND (2014 - 2015) Montreux Jazz Cafe at Harrods London, Pizza Express London

ITALY (2015 - 2018) Memo Milano, Hotel Irma Merano

AMERICA

USA (2004 - 2018) Smalls Jazz Club and 55 Bar New York, Blues Alley Washington D.C, Berklee Performance Center Boston

BRAZIL (2005) Blem Blem Sao Paolo

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (2014, 2016) Santo Domingo Jazz Festival; Casa de Teatro Jazz Club Santo Domingo

MUSICAL EDUCATION

2007 - 2008 Master's of Arts

Aaron Copland School of Music, Queens College, New York

Studied with David Berkman (piano), Howard Brofsky (jazz history), Michael Philip Mossman (Composition and Arrangement), Antonio Hart (Improvisation)

2004 - 2006 Bachelor's of Music Performance

Berklee College of Music, Boston

Studied piano with Raymond Santisi, Danilo Perez and Frank Carlberg and additional piano studies outside of Berklee with Charlie Banacos. Other influences during his studies were Joe Lovano, Bob Moses and Kenwood Dennard among many others.

DISCOGRAPHY



I Found A New Home
(2020)



I Found A New Home (Vinyl)
(2020)



Live at Villa Irniger
(2016)



Fly Me to the Moon
(2015)



Lost Love Songs
(The Balik Farm Project)
(2014)



Nothing to Prove
(2013)



New Beginnings
(2013)



Motion in Progress
(2013)



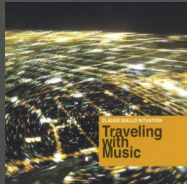
Live at No Black Tie:
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
(2011)



Now Then
(2010)



Claude Diallo Situation
(feat. Andy McGhee)
(2010)



Traveling With Music
(2009)



Jennifer Hirsh With
Claude Diallo
(2007)



Live in Switzerland
(2006)



A Bientôt
(2005)



Sexperience
(2004)



Shy Appearance
(2001)



CONTACT

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For international booking and management please contact Mr. Yeshe Sherpa through Norbu Artists booking@norbu.ch / www.norbu.ch.



"Claude Diallo is a wonderful artist and his musical talent is unusual. No one quite does it the way he does it."

- Kenwood Dennard (drummer of Herbie Hancock, Sting, Miles Davis)

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