

Bombay Jazz



Bombay Jazz is:

Larry Coryell • Guitar
George Brooks • Saxophone
Ronu Majumdar • Bansuri
Vijay Ghate • Tabla

BombayJazz, four internationally renowned musicians performing 21st century global jazz, made their debut in India in 2003, receiving critical and popular acclaim. A whirlwind tour of Europe in the fall of 2004 and US performances in 2005 solidified the group's relentless pursuit of compositional and improvisational excellence.

BombayJazz performs a dynamic blend of Jazz and classical Indian music. Each member of the group is an accomplished performer and composer, with each contributing his own spices to the fragrant mix. BombayJazz explores the melodic richness of raga and the dynamic rhythmic interplay that is common to both Indian classical music and jazz, while pioneering a harmonic exploration rarely heard in east – west fusions of any kind.

As one of the pioneers of jazz-rock — perhaps the pioneer— **Larry Coryell** deserves a special place in the history books. He is equally at home on the classical stage, on the cutting edge of fusion or trading ferocious jazz licks with James Moody or Jimmy Smith. Larry has performed alongside the likes of Eric Clapton, Jimi Hendrix, John McLaughlin, Paco De Lucia, Pat Metheny and Al Di Meola and has toured India with L. Subramaniam and Shakti.

Saxophone virtuoso **George Brooks** has collaborated with jazz and blues titans Etta James, Steve Smith, Anthony Braxton and Albert Collins and Indian classical gurus Hariprasad Chaurasia, Zakir Hussain, Sultan Khan, L.Subramaniam and Aashish Khan. The Telegraph, Calcutta called his CD Night Spinner, "one of the finest Indo-jazz fusion albums ever." CD Baby gave his Summit CD five stars, denoting it "...a beacon of jazz excellence, among the best in our warehouse."

In the hands of world-renowned flutist, **Ronu Majumdar**, the bansuri, a simple bamboo flute, becomes an instrument of tremendous power, virtuosity and versatility. A Grammy nominee, Ronu has performed with international superstars, Pandit Ravi Shankar, Beatle George Harrison and guitarist Ry Cooder.

Vijay Ghate is recognized as one of the most brilliant and exciting tabla players of the present generation. He has toured the world accompanying some of India's most important classical artists including Pandit Jasraj, Vilayat Khan, Hariprasad Chaurasia, Amjad Ali Khan, and Vishwa Mohan Bhatt. Vijay has gained global recognition in world music through performances with Al Jarreau, George Duke, Larry Coryell, Egberto Gismonti, George Brooks, and Danny Gottlieb.

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