

Ben Hans Trio

Ben Hans - Drums!



Ben Hans is the founder of the Trio. He works regularly throughout the upper Midwest as a freelance artist. Ben has performed alongside such artists as Chuck Hedges, Jack Grassel, Barry Harris, James Dallas, Swing Nouveau, Denis K Group, Swingset Police and countless others. In addition to performing, Ben operates a private teaching studio with more than 60 students, teaches music classes at the Milwaukee Area Technical College, and is an author for the Hal Leonard Publishing Corporation. Ben is also an endorser for Istanbul Agop Cymbals, and a member of the Vic Firth Education team. "*Drums! Bass! Guitar!*" is Ben's first recording as a bandleader.

Mark Solveson - Bass!



Mark has been playing string bass for 20 years. He has studied jazz at the University of Iowa, and received jazz bass instruction at the Wisconsin Conservatory of Music. Mark has been employed as a free-lance jazz bassist in Milwaukee since 1990 where he has been privileged to play with some of the best jazz musicians in the area. As a freelance bassist, he has played a variety of music including fifties, sixties, blues, big band, fusion, and jazz. He is also a former member of the Marquette University Symphony Orchestra. Mark has lent his talents to many recording projects, including a live recording with jazz guitarist Mike Arnold, a blues album entitled "*Burn Baby Burn*" by Todd Greene and the Blue Machine, "*Drums! Bass! Guitar!*" with the Ben Hans Trio, as well as many blues, jazz, and rock recordings for music instruction books.

Jeff is a one of Milwaukee's most seasoned guitarists. He has performed with rock, blues, and jazz groups in the area for more than fifteen years. Jeff was a member of the original rock group Tabora, and appears on the band's 1990 recording, "*Vale of Tears.*" In 1996, Jeff released a solo album of jazz-rock instrumental music entitled "*Prevue*" on Audioimage Records. Jeff also appears on a blues album by Todd Greene & The Blue Machine, "*Burn Baby Burn,*" and on the album by Ben Hans, "*Drums! Bass! Guitar!*" In addition to performing, Jeff is Vice-President of Popular & Standard Publications for Hal Leonard Corporation. He is the author of several instructional guitar books, including the Hal Leonard Jazz Guitar Method and Fast Track Guitar Method. He also served as Editor-in-Chief of Guitar One Magazine from 1998-2000. Jeff plays Hofner guitars.

Jeff Schroedl - Guitar!



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