

The logo features the words 'SUMMER TIME Music' in a stylized font. 'SUMMER' is in white with a black outline, 'TIME' is in black with a white outline, and 'Music' is in a white script font. The text is set against a background of orange and yellow sound waves.

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*Feel the Sound*

# Summer Time Music



## Introduction

Summer Time Music (STM) is an intensive interpretation course, where both individual lessons and group practice support each other in student's individual growth. The value of this school is its individual approach to the student – everyone attends 5 private classes with their teacher during the week. As a result, the number of students is limited to 5 per teacher and hence the participants create a small, interactive group. The current year will have the added layer of educating and celebrating people behind the scenes – sound and light designers and technicians.

The focus is kept on musicianship at its core, where lecturers lead their students to an in-depth perception of music as a living organism consisting of numerous coexisting elements. The first STM took part in 2020 in Dolný Kubín (Slovakia) and immediately established itself as a place outside of ordinary life (and mobile signal) in the middle of nature, with nothing but music to make up a fantastic week of practice, precious encounters, and humanity.

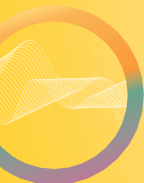
## STM Structure

**Individual lessons** / created according to student's needs and abilities.

**Workshops** / about various topics important for active musicians (e.g. marketing, rhythm, recording, stress avoidance, etc.).

**Band rehearsals** / supervised by a dedicated educator. The teachers prepare their students for the concert, where they apply newly gained skills and perceptions. The students are led to work as a group, listen to others and find their own place in a complex musical ecosystem.

**Jam sessions** / free fun all night long





## *Lenka Dusilová*

### **vocals, songwriting**

9 times „Anděl“ (Awards of Czech Music Academy) winner in different categories (Female singer of the year, Song of the year, Album of the year). Since beginning of her career, she has been growing through different music styles and ways of expressing her voice – from folk, through rock and pop to musical freedom when receiving impulses from very diverse styles and out-of-music experience.

During her career she has cooperated with David Koller (band Pusa) and music band Lucie, music band Čechomor, Beáta Hlavenková and Clarinet Factory, Václav Neckář etc.



## *Robert Balzar*

### **double bass, bass guitar**

Robert Balzar is one of the most pronounced instrumental players in Central Europe. In the 80s, he played in the Orchestra of Czechoslovak Television. In the 90s, he became a member of the band accompanying Hana Hegerová. He started his own Robert Balzar Trio in 1996 and two years later joined the emerging funk band J.A.R.

Lately, he mostly performs alongside Dan Bárta – both as a band member of Illustratosphere and as a leader in Dan Bárta and Robert Balzar Trio. However, he also collaborated with musicians such as: Kurt Elling, Joe Newman, Wynton Marsalis, John Abercrombie, Hal Galper, Benny Bailey and etc.

On top of his concert activities, he also composes and teaches at the International Conservatory of Prague.



## *Ján Kapčák*

### saxophone, woodwinds

During his studies at Conservatory of Žilina and later University of Music and Performing Arts in Graz, he already belonged to the most successful students and received several awards and scholarships (2008: 1st place at a competition of Slovak conservatories – classical saxophone; 2009: scholarship from the city of Graz; 2010: scholarship from the National Chamber of Agriculture and Forestry in Graz; 2011: scholarship from the University of Music and Performing Arts, Graz). He later moved to Košice, where he teaches at the Conservatory of Košice – Timonova.

Ján plays on numerous woodwind instruments including soprano, alto, tenor and baritone saxophones; flute, piccolo; clarinet, bass clarinet and duduk. Thanks to his flexibility, he is able to assert himself in his own projects (Zen Saxophone, Musica Vista), as well as accept ongoing invitations from other artists across the country (Peter Lipa, I.M.T. Smile, Marián Čekovský, Peter Nagy, Jozef Hollý, Papyllon, Eniesa, ZVA 12-28 Band, etc.).



## *Bernard Maseli*

### vibraphone

Undoubtedly, he is the most famous vibraphonist in Poland, a composer, arranger, music producer and a respected teacher. He graduated at the Jazz and Popular Music Department of the Karol Szymanowski Music Academy in Katowice, where since 1990 he has also been a lecturer (with the full title of a professor since 2017).

His first original project – The Globetrotters – was founded together with the saxophonist Jerzy Głowczewski and the vocalist Kuba Badach in 1999. They have recorded four albums so far and played over five hundred concerts, including guests like the famous percussionist Nippy Noya. Another notable project is MaBaSo with Michal Baranski (bass) and Daniel Šoltis (drums). Altogether, Bernard recorded more than 60 albums.



## *Daniel Šoltis*

### drums

Thanks to his energetic, flexible, yet sensible drumming style, he is an extremely sought-after drummer of the European scene. Since 1999 he has lived in Prague, where he studied first at the Conservatory of J. Ježek and later at higher vocational school with a focus on jazz. He completed his highest education with a master degree at a prestigious Jazz Academy in Katowice (PL).

Daniel is a founding member of Czech-Slovak jazz ensemble „Vertigo“, international band „MaBaSo“ with a respected Polish vibraphonist Bernard Maseli, and also a core member of legendary – „123minut“. He partnered with a myriad of famous personalities of national and international music scene: Arturo Sandoval, Linley Marthe, Erik Truffaz, Ivan Tásler, Jana Kirschner, Vince Mendoza, Ingrid Jensen, Ed Partyka, Ben Wendel, Yvonne Sanchez, Marta Kubišová, Peter Lipa and others. On top of his performances, he also teaches at the Conservatory of J. Ježek and Musical Academy of Prague.



## *Daniel Špiner*

**piano, keyboards**

He was born in Levoča (SK), studied at Conservatory of Košice and later musical college with a specialization in classical music. Then he widened his portfolio with a four-year degree of jazz music, improvisation and jazz interpretation. Presently he tours with various ensembles and composes his own music.

His primary music partner is a Slovak singer Katka Koščová. He has accompanied her since 2006, and he has co-authored most of her albums. Daniel has also played for 6 years with Martin Geišberg and their last common album „Na modrej planéte“ (On the blue planet) received a Radiohead award in 2019 for best world/jazz music album. Other partnerships include tours with Katka Knechtová and Sima Magušinová (both since 2016). Since 2022 he has worked with an amazing Ukrainian singer Mila Medvedovska. He also performs at „Korene“ (Roots) – a music-poetic play of Slovak National Theater with Táňa Pauhofová.

Daniel also collaborates with various theatres across Europe, mainly Slovakia, Czech Republic and Germany. His portfolio includes puppet shows, drama and musicals, with 34 different performances to date. He acts not only as an author, composer and pianist, but also as an accordion player.



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