



La Creativa

Big Band Latina 2006





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La Creativa Latin Big Band mixes Afrocaribbean rhythms and elements of contemporary jazz.



Formed by 18 Latin musicians under the direction of the Cuban pianist, composer, and arranger Pepe Rivero and Northamerican saxophonist and composer Bobby Martínez,

Its members are well known professionals of the national jazz scene in Spain.

LA CREATIVA identifies itself with cutting-edge Latin jazz, stressing original compositions and innovative arrangements.





Bobby Martínez y Pepe Rivero, directors of the Big Band Latina.



Bobby Martínez, Saxophonist, composer, and flautist. Born in Philadelphia, USA. He received various honorable mentions and one commemorative trophy from the Día Europeo de la Música 2001. He has been directing different big bands and giving jazz clinics and seminars throughout Spain and Europe. He has worked with musicians such as Paquito D´Rivera, Pat Metheny, Jaco Pastorius, Claudio Roditi, Scott Robinson, Stan Kenton, Bernard Sasseti, Michael P. Mossman, Steve Rodby, Ben Sidran, Ira Sullivan, Bill Waltrous, Duffy Jackson, Jerry González, Ed Calle, Israel López "Cachao", Chano Domínguez, Perico Sambeat and Paco de Lucia.

Pepe Rivero has worked as the pianist and keyboardist of Isaac Delgado band for five years. He has held classes in many universities in the United States, Canada, and Denmark. Mr. Rivera has played with Celia Cruz, Paquito de Rivera, Gabriela Anders, Manzanita, Raúl Paz and Alain Pérez. He has performed in different jazz festivals such as: Washington, New York, Montreal, Montreux, Aarhus (Denmark), Estoril, Bologna, Marsella and Madrid.

Having graduated from the Instituto Superior de Artes de la Habana in piano, he became teacher of improvisation in Cuban and Latin rhythms at the Instituto Superior de Artes de la Habana. His first record "Tonight Latin," was released back in 2002 out of a concert at Café Berlín in Madrid.



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