

The Jade Moon Jazz Band

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Stephanie Su

Founder and Lead Vocalist

“Music moves the soul and awakens the spirit.”

Loves to sing jazz, blues and R&B. Played flute, acoustic rhythm guitar and some percussion. Performed with swing choirs and off-Broadway theater projects, including Flower Drum Song, South Pacific, 42nd Street, All That Jazz, Kismet. Influences: Ella Fitzgerald, Nancy Wilson, Sarah Vaughn, Melody Gardot, Norah Jones, The Manhattan Transfer



Marcus Jefferson

Lead Guitar

An exceptional guitar player for more than 25 years. Studied with Dennis Sandole (theory teacher to John Coltrane). Graduate degree in jazz studies from Northern Illinois University. Private instructor in applied guitar, theory, harmony, ear training, improvisation and history. Adjunct professor at Prairie State, specializing in jazz music, applied guitar.

Mario Dueñas

Keys, Piano

*Mario, a native of Guayaquil, Ecuador, was introduced to the piano at the age of 5. Later in life, he was influenced by master improvisers like Bill Evans and John Coltrane and decided to continue a deeper study into the nature of improvisation. By the 2000s, he began to play the saxophone and in 2013, he released his debut album, “Beliefs,” and other recordings for the composition “Cosmic Crossword” (electronic piano and instruments from all around the world). Today, he can also be seen with his band, the **Mario Dueñas Trio**.*



Chano Cruz

Bass

Chano Cruz is a working bassist from St Louis, MO who has traveled all over the country playing music in many styles with many different artists. He started touring his Freshman year at Northern Illinois University and has continued since. He has also established himself as a teacher over the years and has helped many of students follow similar footsteps.



Mike Petrie

Drums

Drummer/Percussionist for over 40 years in Chicago area jazz ensembles. Rock bands, musical theater orchestras and contemporary worship bands. Studied with renowned jazz musician Max Mariash (Art Van Damme Quintet) and Tom Hipskind (Broadway in Chicago, Columbia College faculty). Mike is also laying down the groove every weekend at the Drury Lane Sunday Jazz Brunch.