

Wei Xiang Tan

Christy Smith

Eddie Layman

"....i've been to many places. I've been all around the world, and I've played with many musicians and these guys are world class..."

Stanley Jordan

4 time Grammy Award Nominee



Wei Xiang Tan - Piano

Eddie Layman - Drums

Christy Smith - Bass

The trio of Wei, Christy and Eddie is a unit of prominence in the Asian jazz scene.

Having 80 years of collective playing experience, the trio has performed with many jazz masters, including Grammy award winners Dave Samuels, Stanley Jordan, Brian Lynch and James Morrison.

The trio strives to play music at the highest artistic level possible, and to share that estatic experience with audiences around the world.



Christy Smith

Bass

Christy is a phenom who is as comfortable on electric bass as he is on the upright, and as happy to be playing hard-nosed funk grooves as he is to be improvising over complex jazz progressions. A graduate from Fullerton University, California, Christy spent several years touring with symphony orchestras and big band, appearing with Stevie Wonder, Sarah Vaughn, Billy Higgins, Don Cherry, Ed Blackwell, Charlie Haden, Alphonse Mouzon, Eddie Harris and Harold Land. Christy has been based in Singapore since 1993, and has become an important role model for aspiring jazz musicians in the city.



Wei Xiang Tan

Piano

One of the most exciting pianists to emerge from the Asian jazz scene, Wei has made quite an impact in his relatively short career: playing in New York for the past four years, in legendary clubs - Blue Note, 55 Bar, Smalls, with legendary musicians Joe Lovano, Brian Lynch and Ari Hoenig. Wei has recorded 10 albums as a sideman. His debut album, *Weitaminute!* is currently under post production.



Eddie Layman

Drums

With over four decades of experience behind him, Eddie has established himself as a strong and diverse rhythm section player. Between New York, Los Angeles and Asia, he has been the driving force behind a wide array of artists such as Dave Liebman, David Sanborn, Lou Donaldson, Richard 'Groove' Holmes, Ray & Tom Kennedy and Roy Eldridge. Along with 25 recordings under his belt, Eddie is definitely a force to be reckoned with!

The attached excerpt was recorded live in concert with Stanley Jordan, october 2010 is for demonstrative purposes only.

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