University of Guelph College of Arts and School of Fine Art and Music Present

**Brian Katz** 





# THURSDAY AT NOON

### Free Concert Series

Thursday, March 12 at 12:00 pm MacKinnon Room 107 (Goldschmidt Room)





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### Program

All compositions by Brian Katz (SOCAN) except where noted.

You Too

Essentia

Danza (Anonymous arranged Katz)

In The Woods Kids

Fun At Fluff's End

Leaves Will Speak

Circling

Jazzy Dog

Mezzonia

Na-Roh-Pah

TropiCanada

In The Olive Grove

Improvisations

Prelude To A Kiss (Duke Ellington, 1899-1974)

### Biography

**Brian Katz** is an internationally acclaimed guitarist, pianist, recording artist, improviser, composer, and adjunct professor of music performance and music education at the University of Toronto and York University. He teaches classical/jazz/folk guitar, klezmer ensembles, improvisation studies and various pedagogy courses. Brian is also a specialist in Dalcroze Eurhythmics, a highly experiential method of music education that examines the inextricable connections between music listening/performing and physical movement. Brian draws on jazz, classical, and various world music traditions to form his personal sound. Highly regarded as a soloist and composer, he collaborates widely. His stage/recording collaborators have included Grammy nominated/Juno recipient saxophonist/flutist, Jane Bunnett, Grammy recipients Sukhwinder Singh (Ry Cooder) and Barry Harris, classical flautist Barbara Ackerman, virtuoso klezmer clarinetist Martin van de Ven (Flying Bulgars/Beyond The Pale), the innovative flugelhornist /composer Fred Stone (who toured/recorded with Duke Ellington), singersongwriters, Lenka Lichtenberg, Theresa Tova, Bob Wiseman, storyteller Dan Yashinsky, guitarists Mordy Ferber, Rob Piltch and William Beauvais. Of "Solana", his CD for the prestigious German label, Bellaphon, the Belgian journal Jazz in Time wrote, "a recording of abundant intelligence." The Toronto Star called his klezmer CD, "Collected Stories" with Martin van de Ven, "enchanting". Brian's CD with Yiddish-world vocalist Lenka Lichtenberg, "Pashtes," has also received rave reviews internationally. The reviews for his recent solo guitar recording, "Leaves Will Speak" have been consistently excellent. "If you want music that speaks- here it is" Jazz Podium, Magazine, Germany, May, 2014. Please visit www.briankatz.com for more info/videos etc.

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### **Concert Series**

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#### Winter Semester 2015

Concerts start at 12:00p.m. Thursdays in MacKinnon Room 107 (Goldschmidt Room)

Admission FREE – donations gratefully appreciated. Everyone Welcome!

- March 5...... Jeff Bird, performs a selection of his own compositions and improvisations on a variety of acoustic and electronic instruments which may include: double bass; hulusi; octave mandolin; harmonica; violin; theremin; sampling keyboard; percussion; electronic effects part of the 9<sup>th</sup> annual Creative Music Symposium.
- March 12......Brian Katz, solo guitar: Leaves Will Speak, is an intimate yet "orchestral" journey featuring Katz's trademark evocative compositions and perky free improvisations informed by the worlds of jazz, classical and various world music streams.
- March 19...... Yoko Hirota Voce Boreales II (Northern Voices II). The recital signifies two ideas: Northern Ontario, my residence for the last twelve years, and Canada the northern country to many Europeans and features new piano pieces by five Canadian composers (written after 2007) and the forefather of the twentiethcentury music, Arnold Schoenberg.
- March 26...... Student Soloists Day, featuring the talented Applied Music students.
- April 2...... Student Soloists Day, featuring our talented Applied Music students.

### **Ensemble Concerts 2015**

- March 8....... Out of Africa II Freewill offering-all proceeds support composers & choirs in Africa University of Guelph Symphonic Choir, Dublin Street United Church Choir, Harcourt United Church Senior Choir – 3:00pm, Dublin Street United Church, 68 Suffolk St. W., Guelph
- March 27...... Overture Curtain Lights This Is It The Night Of Nights University of Guelph Concert Winds Ensemble with Conductor John Goddard 8:00pm – Guelph Youth Music Centre, 75 Cardigan St., Guelph - Tickets \$10, \$5 students/seniors
- March 28....... Still I Rise: Sounds of Freedom Featuring University of Guelph Choirs and Conductor Marta McCarthy 8:00pm – Harcourt United Memorial Church, 87 Dean Ave., Guelph - Tickets: \$15 (\$10 students/seniors)
- March 29...... University of Guelph CME with Conductor Joe Sorbara 1:30pm - Silence, 46 Essex St., Guelph - \$5 at the door
- March 29...... University of Guelph Chamber Ensemble with Conductor Henry Janzen 3:00 pm - MacKinnon room 107, University of Guelph – Free admission
- April 2.....University of Guelph Jazz Ensemble with Conductor Ted Warren 8:00 pm – Manhattans Pizza Bistro and Music Club, 951 Gordon St., Guelph - \$2 at the door

For more information on the winter 2015 series, contact Vicki Isotamm (visotamm@uoguelph.ca) 519 824-4120 ext.52991





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