

Gerald Gradwohl Group



Thomas Kugi | Harry Tanschek | Gerald Gradwohl | Jojo Lackner

When looking for terms and names to describe the band, the attempt will leave you with a wide spectrum between jazz and fusion music focussing on grooving funk with a strong „Rock'N' Roll Attitude“ mixed with Jazz harmony to fierce discharging jazz rock storms.

There is no arbitrariness in this wide array of musical styles and influences, as the band – selected team players from the international jazz/fusion scene – renders the stringent compositions in a committed and playfully individual manner, putting its high-quality inventive signature to the music and derives its uniqueness and independence from a sure, pro-active and listening interaction of experienced musician personalities.

Gradwohl can jump into and out off the stylistic changes like a true chameleon. He has ventured further into exploratory fusion on this effort than on any of his previous efforts. Having the support and backing of the great rhythm section has really made this venture for Gradwohl into tribal funk fusion a viable effort of world class caliber. GG pulls all the stops of his musical skills. “As much composition as necessary and as much improvisation as possible” seems to be the dogma and the point of view of fusion-music of today for this worldwide known and acknowledged composer and performer, living in Wr. Neustadt, Austria. The great variety in composition and playing will not only fascinate Jazz and Fusion lovers - watch out for exciting live gigs!

The album "[ABQ](#)" (2003) feat. **Bob Berg, Gary Willis and Kirk Covington** was a big step in Gerald's international career. Several albums and live tours have been the result of his continuous work.

2007 "[Tritone Barrier](#)" is released. On this album **Scott Henderson** contributes a guest solo on the track "Jeff's Back".

This album is followed by "[Sally Beth Roe](#)" in 2009 which he recorded with his Trio - this is a real guitar trio record!

In 2013 Gerald releases "[Big Land](#)" feat. Tribal Tech drummer **Kirk Covington** on drums.

[RAW](#) (2016) is a critically acclaimed masterpiece of Jazz and Rock music and is the first release with his current band.

The band is touring regularly and releases the new album "Episode 6" in April 2021!



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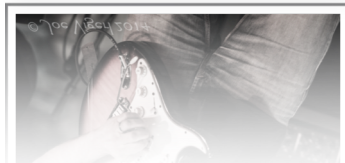
Born 15.4.1967 in Wiener Neustadt(Austria)
 Classical guitar at the J.M.Hauer Musikschule
 Wiener Neustadt
 Jazz guitar studies in Vienna 1986 to 1989 -
 graduated with distinction
 Active as musician, composer and band
 leader ever since
 Touring all over the world with his original
 projects

Head of Jazz Department at the Joseph Haydn
 Conservatory Eisenstadt

Working with:

Tangerine Dream | Bob Berg | Bob Mintzer |
 Rick Margitza | Gary Willis
 Kirk Covington | Dennis Jale | James Burton |
 Sandra Pires | Hansi Lang | Viktor Gernot |
 Juci | Iris Camaa | Hallucination Company |
 Hot Pants Road Club | Alexander Göbel |
 Starmania Monika Ballwein | Christiana Uikiza
 | Patricia Simpson | Rebecca's Playground |
 Volksoper Wien | Dancing Stars Orchester
 u.v.a.

Guitarmania:
*The new album „Raw“ is
 hot, touching and thrilling!*





THOMAS KUGI

born 1964 in Villach(A). Living in Vienna since 1984. After his studies at the Vienna Muci conservator he became one of the most versatile and well booked saxophone players in Austria..

He teaches at the Vienna University and JAM- MUSIC LAB

Playing with:

Alegre Correa Group, Erich Kleinschuster Sextett, Kent-Longthaler 7, Dancing Stars Orchestra, Upper Austrian Jazz Orchestra, Count Basic, Save The Robots, Ostinato, Outreach Orchestra, Dobrek-Brasil

And international Cats like:

Idris Muhammed, Adam Holtzman, Gene Jackson, Kenny Davis, Matthew Garrison, Andy McKhee, Marco Minnemann, Keith Carlock, Hohn Clark, Dave Taylor, Samuel Blaser, Chaka Khan, The Supremes, The Temptations, Gloria Gaynor, Omara Portuondo, Marianne Faithful, Nina Hagen,.....

Recordings for: Andre Heller, Kurt Ostbahn, Etta Scollo, Slow Club, Georg Danzer, Stella Jones, Georg Nussbaumer, Beat 4 Feet, Harald Juhnke, Bilgeri, ...

Jazzfestivals Jazzfestivals in Helsinki, Warschau, Mexico-City, Djakarta.



JOJO LACKNER

born in Neunkirchen, studied Jazz E-Bass at the Josef Matthias Hauer Konservatorium in Wr. Neustadt with Mischa Krausz.

worked with:

The Syndicate, Violetta Parisini, Harry Sokal, Gansch'n Roses, Erik Rico, Leroy Emmanuel, Tony Momrelle, Tue Flow, Adam Pieronczyk, Joseph Malik, Lylit, Alegre Corea, Johannes Enders, Matthieu Michel, Martin Reiter Trio, Chanda Rule & The Oulipians, Gisele Jackson, Cafe Drechsler, Ilse Riedler's „Strange Ahead, Victor Davis, Nu Random, Teddy Kumpel, Hot Pants Road Club, Gerald Gradwohl Trio, Ana Paula da Silva, Philipp Nykrin's Common Sense;



HARALD TANSCHKE



Born in Graz. After his first steps in School, Rock and Pop Bands he mastered a study at the Jazz university in Graz(A). Went to Berklee/Boston(USA) in 1997 and lived there as a freelancer til 2003. Back in Vienna/Austria he worked as a clinician and with projects and artists from USA, Europe, South and Latin America like Hal Crook, Chico Freeman, Bob Brookmeyer, Lee Konitz, George Garcone, Howard Alden, Mark Murphy, Sheila Jordan, Clark Terry, Lee Konitz, Steve Logan, Doug Johnson Trio, Grace Kelly, Phil Woods, Victor Mendosa, Joachim Mencil's "El Greco", Janosh Muniak, Bullhorns, Mario Vavti's RTS, Hubert Tubbs, Andy Middleton, Gisele Jackson, Kris Jefferson Groove Coalition, Endrina Rosales Group, Jose Ritmo y Cacao, Martin Lubenov Orkestar, Airbass, Richard Oesterreicher, Alegre Correa, Gina Schwarz's "Jazzista", Wolfgang Puschnig, Geri Schuller and many more!

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Discography:

- Gerald Gradwohl "ABQ"
feat. Bob Berg, Gary Willis, Kirk Covington 2003
- Gerald Gradwohl "Tritone Barrier"
• feat. Scott Henderson, Hubert Tubbs (2007)
- Gerald Gradwohl Trio „Sally Beth Roe“ (2009)
- Gerald Gradwohl Group „ABQ Live & Raw“ (2011)
- Gerald Gradwohl - Big Land (2013)
- Gerald Gradwohl - RAW (2016)
- Gerald Gradwohl Group - Episode 6 (2021)