

Ted Ludwig

Dazzling Jazz Guitarist Ted Ludwig Will Get Guitar Fest Swinging on Friday, July 25 at 7 p.m.

Acclaimed seven-string jazz guitarist Ted Ludwig (b. 1974, New Orleans, LA) has been a part of the jazz scene in New Orleans since 1997. Throughout that time period, he has performed for numerous club performances, festivals, and recordings. He has released 4 albums as a leader and many more as a versatile sideman and co leader.

Ted earned his Bachelor and Masters Degrees from the University of New Orleans Jazz Studies Program, under the direction of the legendary pianist Ellis Marsalis Jr. He received an ASCAP award, the Louis Armstrong award, and the Overture to the Cultural Season award for his outstanding musicianship and creativity. Inspired by the recordings of Joe Pass, Pat Martino, and Wes Montgomery, Ludwig soon became one of the most sought after guitarists in the New Orleans jazz scene, working professionally as a soloist, and accompanist.

He has performed with notable contemporaries such as; Ellis Marsalis, Peter Bernstein, Bob Dorough, Larry Coryell, Nathan East, Nicholas Payton, Howard Alden, Mundell Lowe, Rick Margitza, Julian Labro, Steve Masakowski, John Ellis, Tony Dagradi, Mike Peller, Jason Marsalis, Ron Eschete', Johnny Vidacovich, Herlin Riley, and many more.

In 2005, in the wake of Hurricane Katrina, Ludwig created his own eclectic Jazz Trio gaining instant accolades from critics and musicians alike for his astonishing virtuosity and prolific originality.

Since 2007, Ted has maintained a fruitful association with the Infrared Record Label. He has recorded, produced, and released four albums as a leader and has continuously performed on many other recordings as a co-leader and sideman. In 2016, Ludwig had the great opportunity to perform with orchestra an original Jazz Guitar Concerto entitled “Katrina”. The piece was composed by D.J. Sparr and commissioned by The Arkansas Symphony Orchestra. Ted received rave reviews for his performances of the concerto.

In 2016, Ted was the youngest inductee into The Arkansas Jazz Hall of Fame.

He continues to dazzle audiences from around the world.

For more info: <https://www.tedludwig.com/bio>

Joining Ted Ludwig will be...

Nat Reeves



Nat Reeves is a highly respected bassist, educator, and bandleader known for his substantial contributions to both the performance and educational aspects of jazz music. His career spans

decades and reflects a deep commitment to the jazz tradition, while also embracing the evolution of the genre. He has had the honor of performing alongside many iconic jazz musicians, including Jackie McLean, Pharoah Sanders and Kenny Garrett, as well as leading his own ensembles. His work with these figures has placed him at the forefront of modern jazz bass playing, where his rhythmic precision, harmonic understanding, and dynamic sound have made him a sought-after sideman, as well as an accomplished bandleader.

For more about Nat visit: <https://natreeves.com/>