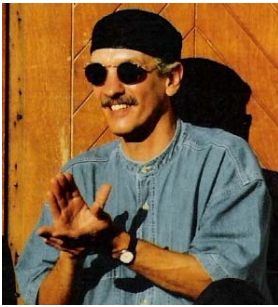


Mat Andasun Band



Bosco de Oliveira (Percussion)

The man who brought samba to the UK and one of Europe's best known percussionists. Bosco has played with the likes of Sade, Working Week, Loose Tubes, Airtó Moreira, Charlie Palmieri, Claire Martin, Terry Callier and recorded with Everything But The Girl, Basia, Tim Garland, Working Week, Terry Callier, June Tabor, Juliet Roberts. Alongside this he teaches at Drumtech and the Guildhall School of Music and travels the country to work with the many UK samba groups.



Dave Sturt (Bass, laptop, looper and vocals)

Dave has worked as a session player alongside Isaac Guillory, Michael Kamen, Dave Gilmour and Andy Sheppard amongst others and has composed themes and incidental music for film and television. He is currently also working with Theo Travis in the dark ambient project Cipher and recording a new album with Jade Warrior. Musician magazine described Dave as a "remarkable bass player".



Jeff Davenport (Drums and sampler)

Jeff started his musical life in a brass band as a cornet player and moved to drums as soon as there was room to set a kit up! He spreads his sticks across genres from Celtic fusion (The Crack, Theenashee, Cathy Lesurf) to pop (drummer and lyricist for multi platinum BMG artist Laura Mayne) and rock (TV-OD). Jeff works out in studios and venues across the country.



Richard Sliwa (Percussion)

Richard studied in Cuba and Brazil and has worked with artists such as The Doves and The Charlatans, as well as fronting renowned percussion group, Inner Sense and recording for the Acid Jazz record label. He has worked for Drake Music for six years where he has run many workshops and co-produced events at The Lowry, Royal Exchange, the RNCM and the Bridgewater Hall in Manchester.



Ben Martin (Sax and flute)

A scholar of Berklee College of Music, Ben Martin is a terrific jazz sax player who also plays flute and guitar and occasionally sings. When not fronting his own quartet, Ben can be found on the dance scene and he has recently been touring and recording with top charting dance act Groove Armada. He is a regular player alongside jazz luminaries such as Pat McCarthy, Tina May, Andy Sheppard and Jim Mullen.



Nick Daines (Keyboards)

The new guy in the group, Nick has actually been playing in bands with Mat for 17 years, and incredibly keeps coming back for more!. Gadgets and salsa piano hold an equal place in his heart, making him ideally suited to the band.