

LEHCATS

LEHCATS blends Jazz, Funk, R&B, Latin, and other world-music styles and takes you on a unique journey using original compositions as the vehicle. Playing engaging original compositions written by the members of the band, LEHCATS consists of:

Norbert Stachel — tenor and soprano saxophones and flute

Karen Stachel — flute and piccolo

Daniel Gonzalez — drums

Mike O'Brien — bass

Gary Fisher — piano

Chris Biesterfeldt — guitar

Norbert Stachel has toured, recorded, and performed with Tower Of Power, Flora Purim & Airtó, Freddie Hubbard, Roy Hargrove, Prince, Boz Scaggs, and countless others. Norbert also married the wonderful jazz-and-classical flutist Karen Stachel, who has performed with Narada Michael Walden, Bob Weir & Ratdog, The Wallace Roney Orchestra, The New Amsterdam Symphony Orchestra, and also has three released albums of her own.

Drummer Daniel Gonzalez has recorded and performed with Tom Harrell, Mark Murphy, Jesse Green, and Urbie Green. Mike O'Brien is a top tier NYC bassist who has performed with Harry Connick Jr., Ruben Blades, Dave Samuels, Matt Wilson, Sachal Vasandani, Ron Afiff, David Binney, Ari Hoenig, Joel Harrison, Peter Apfelbaum, & Dan Weiss.

Pianist Gary Fisher, a long time friend of Norbert's, also performs extensively in the NYC area and can be heard on recordings with Ed Reed, Eddie Marshall, Carl Allen, Vincent Herring, and many others. Guitarist Chris Biesterfeldt has worked with Stevvi Alexander, Ned Massey, Raphael Saadiq, Warren Haynes, Donald Brown, James Williams, Hector Martignon, William Cepeda, Princeton Symphony Orchestra, & Kofo The Wonderman.