

## SPAJAZZY

**Tino D'Agostino-Bass**  
**Sergio Bellotti-Drums, Percussion and Vocals**  
**Joey Vellucci-Guitar and Vocals**

Whether A Neapolitan traditional song gets twisted into a funk groove or a an evergreen Italian ballad becomes a “partido alto” celebration you will be hearing rhythms and cultures from all over the world melting under the roof of the strong Italian melodic background of the founders Bellotti and D'Agostino.

### The Facts

In 1998 Berklee College students Sergio Bellotti (Drums) and Tino D'Agostino (Bass) felt the urge to incorporate the melodic music background of their native country (Italy) with the idioms of Jazz rhythms and harmonies they were learning in North America. After few months of rehearsals and writing, they recorded the first of their acclaimed CDs with guitar legend Mike Stern. The fusion album quickly became a classic all over the internet as well as in large music retail outlets, and was favorably reviewed on many specialized jazz-fusion websites.

Writing in **Jazz Times in May 2000**, Bill Milkowski stated: The best way to describe the Spajazzy' Sound is: Italian flavored melodies with contemporary Jazz rhythms and harmonies.

Now faculty members at Berklee College of Music and acclaimed worldwide clinicians and performers, Bellotti and D'Agostino continue to perform worldwide with Spajazzy as well as sidemen with names such as Bob James, Robben Ford ,Nathan East among others. Spajazzy performs in various formats from acoustic trio to electric quintet and even larger ensemble with full size horn section.

### The Press

Highly Recommended—Bill Milkowsky **JazzTimes Magazine**

The **popcorn Music review** 1998: Best independent jazz album

On it,Sergio alternates some blazing fusion patterns with some serious in the pocket funk (It' a CD worth having!) **modern drummer**

Sergio Bellotti che, assieme al bassista Tino D'Agostino, ci intrattengono per 55 minuti con il loro jazz-fusion di ottima qualità. **drum club**

Un Jazz di classe altissima, dicevamo, che non stanca mai e che unisce ad una tecnica formidabile una buona dose di cuore...: **La Repubblica**

### The Musicians

**Sergio Bellotti-Drums, Percussion , Vocals, Co-founder**

Drumset Faculty at Berklee College performed and/or recorded with Mike Stern, Robben Ford, Tom Scott, Bob James ,Alessandra Belloni among others.

**Tino D'Agostino-Electric Bass, Co-Founder, Music Director**

Performances at RAI television with artists such as Bocelli , Cattaneo and Cionfoli.Tino is currently teaching ensemble at Berklee College of Music, and he is also the director of the Arlington MA High School Jazz Band.

**Joey Vellucci-Guitar and Vocals**

Joe Vellucci is an ASCAP member and has a publishing deal with Heavy Hitters Productions in New York City and has had his original music used in Film, TV, Cable, Radio and Movies in almost every country in the world.