

We're here at Jazz Live San Diego with Joe Garrison. Welcome to Jazz Live San Diego

Who are the Night People tonight at Jazz Live San Diego?

Since you debuted this music live at the end of 2012, you've been able to play it at least 6 times, but it seems like there is both a core band and then many other people that come in and play with you. **Was this part of the plan for "Night People" or this music all along? If not, how has this roll-out been different than you expected?**

Is there an overriding concept to the "Night People" band? Maybe some criteria that you use to select band members?

Veranda - released in 2013

- **Can you refresh us on what went into the creation of Veranda, your first release in many many years?**

Tell us a little about how you were introduced to music as a player.

You have a highly original concept of composition. 1991 interview: "My impression is that the avant-garde needs to re-evaluate itself and start thinking in terms of structure again. I think if you have just totally free music, that becomes self defeating. If the Statue of Liberty was small, it would hold it's shape, but since it's large, it has to have that scaffolding. We're trying to expand our music at the Ruse, but it keeps collapsing on itself because there's no structure. I'm very interested in large structure." **Was original composition always a part of you as a musician?**

Robert Bush: "There is a heavy emphasis on darker textures in Garrison's writing". **Is this a conscious mining of darkness...NIGHT...or has this been something that just was always part of your writing?**

What's Next?

Where can people find out more about you, your music, and Night People?

Thanks!

Previous Dates

- November 26, 2012 The New Jazz Thing
 - http://www.jazz88.org/articles/George_Cole_and_Joe_Garrison_and_Night_People_LIVE_on_The_New_Jazz_Thing_Monday_November_26_2012/
- Dec 2, 2012 Dizzy's San Diego
 - First public presentation of the Veranda music
 - Robert Bush

<http://www.sandiegoreader.com/weblogs/jam-session/2012/dec/03/sro-for-joe-garrison-night-people/>

- After being “Off The Radar” for over 5 years.
- March 7, 2013 98 Bottles (VO Introducing)
- Nov 5, 2013 @The Loft -
 - Robert Bush
 - <http://www.nbcsandiego.com/blogs/sounddiego/Joe-Garrison--Night-People-Live-231284521.html>
 - an unforgettable night of gorgeous and intricately arranged modern music for which there is very little precedent.
 - There is a heavy emphasis on darker textures in Garrison’s writing
 - The blend of horns in Garrison’s writing is singular and transformative.
- Dec 6, 2013 Encinitas Center for Spiritual Living
- Jan 8, 2014 98 Bottles
- Feb 28, 2014 @TheLoft Joe Garrison & Night People w/ Amadou Fall

Upcoming

- April 4, 2014 Museum of Making Music - Jazz Appreciation Month
<http://www.museumofmakingmusic.org/component/eventlist/details/152-joe-garrison-night-people>
- <http://www.nighttunes.net/> - Needs updating “final stretch for Veranda”
- Veranda Review, Nov 2013, SD Troubadour
<http://sandiegotroubadour.com/2013/11/joe-garrison-and-night-people-veranda/>

[Rusefest '91 to Feature New 'Night People' Suite](#): Crazy May, 1991 article by Dirk Sutro about Joe and his thoughts at the time on free jazz, including "My impression is that the avant-garde needs to re-evaluate itself and start thinking in terms of structure again. I think if you have just totally free music, that becomes self defeating. If the Statue of Liberty was small, it would hold it's shape, but since it's large, it has to have that scaffolding. We're trying to expand our music at the Ruse, but it keeps collapsing on itself because there's no structure. I'm very interested in large structure."

Joe Garrison and Night People

- Playing at the new Dizzy's Saturday, December 1, with Musical Performance by ***Gilbert Castellanos, Derek Cannon, Kamau Kenyatta, Ben Schachter, Kevin Esposito, Ben Wanicur, Fernando Gomez and Joe Garrison.***
- He has been in the lab collaborating with Kamau Kenyatta to produce original work through his newly re-organized group, **Night People.**

- This will be **Night People's** first public presentation of their new work.
- **Joe Garrison** has put together an all-star cast to launch the work featured in his new album, **Veranda**.