

## Ari Erev: "About Time" CD – Musicians' Bio



### Ari Erev – Piano

Israeli-born pianist and composer Ari Erev started playing the piano at the age of 4. His first teacher was his amateur-pianist father and he later studied under Mrs. Silvia Cohen of Tel-Aviv. At the age of 17, after forming and leading a number of contemporary music bands, the exciting sounds of jazz hooked him. Over the years, he studied jazz and improvisation with Dr. Zvi Keren, one of Israel's premiere jazz and composition teachers, with pianists Nahum Perperkovich and Arik Strauss, and with arranger and composer Ilan Mociach at the Rubin Academy of Music in Tel-Aviv.

Throughout his performance career, Ari has worked and cooperated with many artists, including pop/rock singer Gali Atari and composer Yael German. Jazz musicians with whom he has performed include saxophonists [Rosta Fras](#) (Prague, CZ), [Robert Anchipolovsky](#) (Phil Woods), [Erez Barnoy](#) and [Ofer Shapira](#), bassists [Petr Dvorsky](#) (Prague, CZ), [Yorai Oron](#), [Dima Grodski](#) and Udi Kazmirski, drummers Gideon Pasahov and Yoav Zohar, guitarist [Ofer Ganor](#), vocalist [Julia Feldman](#), and he currently performs regularly with vocalist [Tami Kelly](#), including in a commissioned Jazz quintet production for the 20th anniversary of [the Tel-Aviv Jazz Festival](#).

Ari plays and performs regularly in Israel's top jazz clubs, including "[Shablul Jazz](#)" in Tel-Aviv, "[Yellow Submarine](#)" in Jerusalem and "[Milestone](#)" in Binyamina. He also performed in festivals and jazz series, as well as on Israeli radio and TV. He composed music for the documentary "Bokito" (directed by Reuven Hacker and Shalev Vaynes), has played in a few theater plays, and has served as the musical director for a number of vocalists' jazz productions. He also teaches piano jazz improvisation.

For the past several years, Ari has led a jazz trio performing a tribute program to the music of [Bill Evans](#). Some musical samples from this program, entitled "Jazz From the Heart," can be found on Ari's site (at: <http://www.arierev.com/mehalev>).

Ari released his debut album, "[About Time](#)", a jazz trio production, in 2008. It was recently selected for digital distribution by the label "Art of Life Records". For more information on "About Time", see below, and also on Ari's web site at: <http://www.arierev.com/AboutTime> ).

### **Yorai Oron – Double-Bass**

Graduate of the Berkley school of music, in Boston, Yorai is one of the most appreciated bass players in Israel. He performed with Jazz greats such as Dewey Redman, Lalo Schifrin and Didier Lockwood, with Israel's top Pop/Rock artists such as Arik Einstein, Gidi Gov, Noa, and with leading Israeli Jazz musicians such as saxophonist Amikam Kimelman, pianist Avi Adrian and drummer Yaki Levy. Yorai teaches at RIMON school of music and in the Jerusalem academy of music.

### **Gideon Pasahov – Drums**

Gideon Pasahov is one of Israel's most experienced and busiest Jazz drummers. Born in Russia, Gideon studied classical music and Jazz at the Rachmaninof academy of music. In 1994, he immigrated to Israel and since then, he has been playing in many bands, and with Israel's most acclaimed jazz musicians such as saxophonists Robert Anchiplolovsky and Boris Gammer, Bassist Dmitry Grodski, and with trumpeter Mamelou Gaitanopoulos' nonet. Gideon teaches at the Ness-Ziona conservatory, in Israel.