

PAOLO DI SABATINO

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SHORT RESUME

Born in Teramo on September 26th 1970, he has a diploma in Piano and Jazz Music and has regularly performed on numerous radio and TV programs (i.e. Radio Rai 1,2,3, Radio Capital, Rai News 24, Tg2, Domenica In, La 7, Parla con me and I fatti Vostri) and has played in prestigious clubs and festivals both in Italy and abroad (Chicago, Lugo, Salamanca, Tenerife, Berlin, Oslo, Goteborg, Hamburg, Tokyo and Osaka). He has played with well-known musicians and important actors such as J. Patitucci, H. Hernandez, B. Mintzer, S. Di Battista, J. Girotto, P. Fresu, E. Rava, M. Placido, G. Albertazzi, G. Giannini, M. Biondi, F. Concato, G. Vannelli, P. Servillo, I. Zanicchi, S. Cristicchi, Neffa, Morgan, Raiz, Dolcenera, G. Cinquetti, A. Ruggiero (with whom he performed at the Sanremo Festival in 2007). Since 2008 he has been recording for the Japanese record label Atelier Sawano, with which he has published 5 albums. His piece "Foto Rubate" has been included in the Real Book of the Italian Jazz Players published by Nuova Carisch. He has written pieces for Mario Biondi, Michele Placido and Grazia Di Michele. He is currently teaching Jazz at the "A. Casella" Music Conservatory in L'Aquila.

BIOGRAPHY

Born in Teramo, Italy, on September 26th, 1970, Paolo Di Sabatino started playing the piano at an early age, under his father's guidance. In 1990, he graduated with full marks, full honor and distinction from the Music Conservatory of Bari, and in 1994, he obtained his diploma in Jazz Music from the same school. After having chosen to devote himself exclusively to jazz, he has been playing both as a soloist and chamber music. He has regularly performed on important radios and T.V. programs (i.e. Radio Rai 1,2,3, Radio Capital, Rai News 24, Rai 1, La 7) and has played in prestigious clubs and festivals, both in Italy and abroad: Fano, Pescara, Pomigliano, Urbino, the Gargano Piano Festival, Lignano, Foggia, Bergamo, Villa Celimontana, Cagliari, Veneto Jazz, Aosta, Ruvo di Puglia, "Ai confini tra Sardegna e Jazz", the "Lugo Jazz Festival" and the "Salamanca Jazz Festival" (Spain), the "Atlantic Jazz" (Auditorium of Tenerife), Berlin, Hamburg. He has played with well-known musicians such as M. Urbani, G. Capiozzo, M. Roche, M. Cafiero, P. Fresu, S. Satta, N. Arigliano, L. Konitz, R. Giuliani, G. Coscia, E. Palermo, L. Paturno, G. Telesforo, E. Rava, M. Giammarco, I. De Paula, M. Rosa, R. Rossi, G. Cazzola, L. Bulgarelli, M. Di Leonardo, D. Deidda, C. Meyer, R. Gatto, B. Mintzer, P. Leveratto, A. Marcelli, P. Damiani, M. Raja, M. Garay, B. Cobham, D. Samuels, J. Berlin, P. Costa, L. Colombo, P. Drummy, J. Levy, among others. He has been taking part, as a pianist-composer-arranger, in some important projects for author Davide Cavuti, working with actors such as Michele Placido, Arnoldo Foà, Maria Rosaria Omaggio, Milo Vallone, Caterina Vertova, Valentina Carnellutti, Alessandro Haber, Mariangela D'Abbraccio, Daniela Fazzolari, Edoardo Gero. During the academic year '94/'95 he taught sight reading at the Music Conservatory of Bari. In 1996, he published a collection of educational materials for the piano called "15 Pieces for Young Pianists" (by Trasimeni, Rome). In the same year another collection of pieces for jazz piano ("Jazz Relection" – by Bèrben, Ancona) was released under his name. In March 1999, Di Sabatino performed at the prestigious jazz club "Jazz Showcase" in Chicago. In the same year he signed an exclusive contract with the Hallway Records of Chicago, publishing the album *Introducing Paolo Di Sabatino* (in which he played with Bosso, Ciancaglini and Manzi as a quartet) and *Threoo* (with J. Patitucci and Horacio "El Negro" Hernandez). In December 2002, another album, called *Paolo Di Sabatino* was released by Il Manifesto. It contains original versions of pieces played by Di Sabatino and saxophonists Javier Girotto, Stefano Di Battista and Daniele Scannapieco. In July 2003 he was on tour with vibraphone player Dave Samuels, performing at a number of important Italian festivals. Also, he is the author of an educational manual called "Practical Exercise Book on Jazz Music", written with Renzo Ruggieri and published by Sinfonica Jazz (Carisch). His piece *Foto rubate* (Stolen Photos) has been included in the Real Book of the Italian Jazz Players, published by Nuova Carisch in 2006. Di Sabatino has been working (with Ruggieri and Roberto Colombo) as a pianist and arranger on a project for the singer Antonella Ruggiero, called *Canzone tra le guerre* (Song Among Wars) and including cover versions of Italian songs from the '20s to the '40s. The complete repertoire is included in Ruggiero's "live" album, called *Souvenir d'Italie*, released in February 2007 and containing *Song Among Wars*, sung by Antonella Ruggiero (accompanied by Di Sabatino on the piano) during the 57th Sanremo Festival. In 2007, he worked as a pianist and composer in a show called *Serata d'onore*, with Cavuti and actors Michele Placido and Giorgio Albertazzi. In the summer of the same year he performed at the show "A Man in Tailcoat – Concert tribute to Domenico Modugno", broadcast by RAIUNO on 13th July 2007, with the participation of artists such as G. Giannini, A. Ruggiero, F. Concato, S. Cristicchi, Neffa, Morgan, Raiz, Dolcenera, G. Cinquetti. He wrote music for works of Mario Biondi, Michele Placido and Grazia Di Michele. Numerous newspapers and musical reviews have written about him (*Il Corriere Della Sera*, *Il Sole 24 ore*, *Liberazione*, *Musica Jazz*, *Famiglia Cristiana*, *Jazzist*, *Audio Review*, *Musica & Dischi*, *Guitar Club*, *L'Unità* – *Diario della settimana*, *Fare Musica*, *All About Jazz*, *Jazzitalia*, *Il Manifesto*, *Il Secolo XIX*, among others). Since 2008 he has been recording for the Japanese record label Atelier Sawano, with which he has published 5 albums. He is currently teaching Jazz at the "A. Casella" Musica Conservatory of L'Aquila.

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Discography

- 1994 – **Paolo Di Sabatino Quartetto** – *Harem* – Old Magic Music OMM94DSP01
1996 – **Paolo Di Sabatino Trio** – *Foto Rubate* – Splasc(h) CDH 482.2
1997 – **Bosso – Di Sabatino** – *Dialogo a due* – Modern Times MDT 30145
1999 – **Paolo Di Sabatino 4tet** – *Introducing P. Di Sabatino* - Hallway Records 9706
2000 – **Paolo Di Sabatino** – *Threeo* – (con J. Patitucci e H. Hernandez) - Hallway Records 9709
2001 – **The Postcard from Brazil** – *Cartolina dal Brasile* – Wide Sound WD107
2002 – **Fabrizio Bosso with Paolo Di Sabatino** – *Italian Songs* – Wide Sound WD114
2002 – **Paolo Di Sabatino** – *Paolo Di Sabatino* – Edizioni Discografiche Il Manifesto cd 093 - con Javier Girotto, Stefano Di Battista, Daniele Scannapieco, Horacio El Negro Hernandez, Carlitos Puerto.
2004 – **The Postcard from Brazil** – *Bebedeira de ritmo* – Splasc(h) CDH 920.2
2005 – **Impullitti – Di Sabatino** – *Interamnia Jazz Orchestra* – guest Bob Mintzer – Splasc(h) World Series CDH 867.2
2005 – **Funkallero** – *Funkallero* – Videoradio VR cd 000548
2005 – **Paolo Di Sabatino ARK trio** – *Ostinato* – Splasc(h) CDH962.2
2008 – **Paolo Di Sabatino/Fabrizio Bosso** – *Ancora...e altre canzoni* – Caligola Records 2095
2008 - **Paolo Di Sabatino Trio** (con M. Siniscalco e G. Di Sabatino) – *Atelier of Melody* – Atelier Sawano AS081
2008 - **Paolo Di Sabatino piano solo** – *Le canzoni di Caterina* – Atelier Sawano AS083
2009 - **Paolo Di Sabatino Trio** – *The Sweetest Love* – Atelier Sawano AS091
2011 - **Paolo Di Sabatino Trio and Horns** – *Luna del sud* – Atelier Sawano
2011 - **Paolo Di Sabatino** – *Voices* – Irma Records – distr. Edel

As a sideman

- 2000 – **Claudio Canzano** – *L'amo* – Wide Sound WD101
2000 – **Renzo Ruggieri Group** – *Accordion Voyage* – Wide Sound WD103
2000 – **Massimo Manzi** – *Quasi sera* – Wide Sound WD104
2001 – **Gianluca Esposito Quintet** – *Little Groove* – Wide Sound WD105
2001 – **Vito Giordano Quartet** – *Flavours* – Videoradio – VR CD000391
2002 – **Renzo Ruggieri Group** – *Spaghetti Time* – Wide Sound – WD117
2003 – **Glaucio Di Sabatino** – *Inside The Groove* – Ideasuoni IDE034
2004 – **Elisabetta Guido** – *Quello che c'è in te* – Nibbio
2005 – **Renzo Ruggieri Group** – *Bends* – Wide Sound – WD145
2007 – **Antonella Ruggiero** – *Souvenir d'Italie* – libera/edel 0179402LIB
2010 – **Raffaele Di Nicola** – *L'ora di cambiare* - Ideasuoni
2010 – **Antonella Ruggiero** – *Regali di Natale* – libera/edel