

## CURRICULUM VITAE

Name: **Arthur Satyan.**

Profession: *Pianist / Composer / Arranger.*

### Scholastic studies:

*V.Belinsky High School, Yerevan, Armenia* (1980-1990).

*Tigranian Music School, Yerevan, Armenia* (1980-1988).

*A.Babajanian Music College, Yerevan, Armenia* (1988-1992).

*Komitas State Conservatory of Music, Yerevan, Armenia* (1992-1998).

### Professional experiences:

1980 : Regular participation and prizes in numerous international composition competitions and festivals

1990 to 1995: Music Band Leader at the State Chamber Theatre.

1991 : First performance as a band leader at International Jazz Festival “Jazz Days” in Armenia.

1993 to 1996: Regular gigs at “Armenia Hotel Jazz Club”, “Downtown Jazz Club”, “Amadeus Music Club”.

1993 to 1994: Pianist at the Armenian National Jazz Orchestra.

1994 : Russian Tour with Yerevan State Chamber Theater and dozen performances with Arthur Satyan Band in Moscow clubs.

1995 to 1996: Pianist/Arranger at the Armenian National Radio & TV Orchestra.

1996 : Was invited to Beirut for the re-opening of “Casino Du Liban” with the band from USA/France: Eric Schultz – guitar, Jack Gregg – double bass and Steve Phillips – drums

1996 : “Three Wheel Drive Band”: Jack Gregg (acoustic bass) and Steve Phillips (drums)

1996 to 1999: Gigs and performances at the most renowned International Hotels throughout Lebanon, UAE, Qatar, Kuwait, etc: Marriott, Le Vendome, Phoenicia, Al Bustan, Rotana, Buri al Arab, Ritz Carlton, Habtoor Hotel, etc.

1998 : Masters in Composition from Komitas National Higher Conservatory of Music.

1998 : “Nothing Personal” or “Perfect Match”: (Lebanon’s Premier Funk and Latin band). Featuring Abboud Saadi – bass, Hratch Kassis – saxes, Fouad Afra – drums.

1998 : Professor of Piano at the Lebanese National Higher Conservatory Of Music.

1998 : Participation in the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Jazz Piano Competition “Martial Solal” in Paris.

- 1998 to 2001: **“Heineken Jazzfest”**, **”Hamra Music Fest.”**, **“Lebanon 2000”**,  
**“Jazz and Blues Festival”**, numerous **“Fete de la Music”** International Festivals with  
**“3 Wheel Drive”**, **“Perfect Match”**, **“Rony Barrak Quintet”**, **“Arthur Satyan Trio”**,  
etc...
- 1998 : **Concerts and Tours through Middle East, France, Russia, Germany with Jazz and  
“Oriental Jazz” Bands.**  
**Concerts and Master Classes for Lebanese National Higher Conservatory of Music.**
- 1998 to 2002: Regular (house) pianist at the **“Blue Note Café. Beirut”**.  
Gigs and concerts with special guest stars: **Larry Coryell**, **Charles Davis**, **Tex Allen**,  
**Jenny Evans**, **Joe Lee Wilson**, **Charles Owens**, **Melissa Walker**, **Deborah Davis**,  
**Murali Coryell**, **Ray Vega**, **Ed Cherry**, **Phillip Manuel**, etc...
- 2000 to 2003: Openings and weekly performances at the **“The Piano”**, **“Bar Louie”**, **“Hip Cat”**,  
**“Habana”**, **“Nova”**, **“Circus”**, **“Casablanca”**, etc... - Beirut’s most popular music pubs,  
with local and International artists: Superstar guitarist **Larry Coryell**, female saxophonist  
from USA **Matana Roberts**, saxophonist **Micah Gaugh**, **“Three Wheel Drive”**,  
**“Arthur Satyan Trio”**, **“Gros Bras”**, **“Charbel Rouhana”**, **“Roni Barrak Quintet”**, etc.
- 2001 : **“Arthur Satyan Trio - A.S.T.”** – fusion/funk/Latin group, performing Arthur’s  
original compositions.
- 2002 : **“Charbel Rouhana Band”** - world music group performing original music  
by **Charbel Rouhana**.
- 2002 : **“Gros Bras”** – Latin Band, lead by Lebanese percussionist **Ibrahim Jaber**,  
where most of the arrangements were arranged by Arthur Satyan
- 2003 : CD **“ART for ART’s sake”** release.
- 2005 : **“Oatar International Jazz Festival”**, performing with Latin band **“Gros Bras”** and  
sharing stage with master of percussions Zakir Hussain.
- 2005 : **Opening and leading the Jazz Department** at the Lebanese National Conservatory of  
Music. A. Satyan developed the current Jazz Studies program.
- 2006 : **“Armenian International Jazz Festival”** – Yerevan, Armenia
- 2006 : **“Kuwait for Lebanon”** – charity concert with **“Charbel Rouhana Band”**  
for re-building of Lebanon
- 2006 : **“Images of the Middle East”** – Denmark.  
Performance in the famous “Copenhagen Jazz House”
- 2006 : **“Asian Games 2006 - Doha, Oatar”**. An evening with  
Arthur Satyan - Randa Ghosoub Quartet, Zakir Husain Group and Rabih Abu Khalil.
- 2007 : **Concert of “Jazz Department” Students** at the National Higher Conservatory of  
Music. 2-years-old department led by Arthur Satyan.

- 2007 : Algeria. “Auditorium De La Radio Algerienne”:  
Concert with Charbel Rouhana Group and Youcef Seddas Band.
- 2008 : “Nai International Festival – Jordan”: Arthur Satyan Trio
- 2008 : “Fete de la Musique – Music Festival Worldwide” – Arthur Satyan Quartet.
- 2008 : “Damascus Jazz Festival – Jazz Lives in Syria 2008” –  
with “Itar Shameh” and Basel Rajoub
- 2009 : “Fete de la Musique – Music Festival Worldwide” – with ‘Son Latino’ – Latin Band
- 2009 : “Opening of Jazz Lounge” in Lebanon – Arthur Satyan Acoustic Trio
- 2009 : “Melvin Sparks in Lebanon” – performance with legendary guitarist Melvin Sparks.
- 2009 : “Graz Sommer Festival” – performance in Graz, Austria with Lena Chamamyan.
- 2009 : Weekly gigs with Charles Davis, Ed Cherry, Deborah Davis at several jazz clubs:  
Jazz Lounge, Razz’zz, Bar Louie.
- 2010 : Opening of RAZZ’zz Jazz Club in Beirut: Arthur Satyan Acoustic Ensemble
- 2010 : New Project Arthur Satyan Organ Trio launch at RAZZ’zz Jazz Club.
- 2010 : “Dubai Jazz Festival” with Charbel Rouhana Band.
- 2010 : “Jordan Music Festival” with Itar Shameh.
- 2011 : “Arthur Satyan & Larry Coryell Organ Trio” project for Beirut Music and Art Festival
- 2011 : “Beirut Music and Art Festival 2011” – performances with “Perfect Match”,  
“Avo Tutunjian and Friends”, “Soumata Baalbaki”, “Ilham al-Madfai”
- 2012 : “Jazz Master Classes and Teachings and Concerts thought All Lebanon”

- 2012 : *Arthur Satyan* launching the *Monday Jazz Nights* at Beirut's *Nova Club* hosting Beirut's most jazz bands. Starting December 2013 Arthur hosts '*Last Monday of the Month Jam Session*', where all his students and most of Lebanese jazz musicians gather to share music. This project is current up today.
- 2013 : "*International Jazz Day Celebration*", April 30<sup>th</sup> 2013: *Arthur Satyan Sextet*
- 2013 : Directing and leading as Music Director and Arranger *Anthony Touma's band* at "*Beirut Music Festival*"
- 2013 : New Album release and tour: "*ARTology*" by *Arthur Satyan*
- 2013 : *Anthology of Armenian Jazz 1938 – 2013* (10 CDs compilation) including '*Voco a Poco*' track from *Arthur Satyan's* '*ARTology*' album
- 2014 : American University of Beirut AUB – "*Jazz Talks: Arthur Satyan Double Project*"
- 2014 : "*International Jazz Day Celebration*", April 30<sup>th</sup> 2014: *Arthur Satyan Organ Quartet*
- 2014 : "*Itar Shameh Band*"'s New Album Release: "*Elle'beh*"
- 2014 : "*Ballouneh Music Festival*": *Arthur Satyan Quintet*
- 2014 : *Arthur Satyan* joins *Nord Keyboards Artist* Lineup  
( <http://www.nordkeyboards.com/artist/arthur-satyan> )
- 2014 : Gigs, clinics and concerts with *Arthur Satyan Organ Quartet*, Duo project '*Standard Time*' with guitarist *Raffi Mandalian*, Trio project with German saxist *Ben Kraef* and Italian drummer *Paolo Orlandi*, *Arthur Satyan Trio*, *Xango Brazilian Band* live at numerous jazz venues.
- 2014 : *Arthur Satyan 4-day Intensive Masterclass* at Razz'zz Jazz Club.
- 2015 : First local jazz band *Arthur Satyan Trio* to play at *Al Bustan Internation Festival*  
(Classical Music Festival)
- 2015 : *Arthur Satyan* is launching a new concert/clinic project '*Rendezvous with ART*' at *Onomatopoeia – The Music HUB*.
- 2015 : '*International Jazz Day*' celebration with *Arthur Satyan Band* at  
*Cairo Jazz Club, Egypt*
- 2015 : *Arthur Satyan 'Jazz U Like' Quartet* at *Kfifan Music and Art Festival*.
- 2015 : *Jounieh Internationa Festival* with *Arthur Satyan Quartet* at Armenian Cultural Night.
- 2015 : *Yerevan Jazz Festival* with *Arthur Satyan Quintet*.
- 2015 : Jazz Concerts, clinics and Masterclasses with US saxophonist *Pete Mills*, drummer *Christopher Michaels*, Italian drummer *Paolo Orlandi*, German saxist *Ben Kraef* at the National Conservatory of Music and other jazz venues.

- 2016 : *Arthur Satyan Latinada Quartet* at the *Lebanese National Conservatory of Music*
- 2016 : *Arthur Satyan Sextet* at the opening of *Platea Hall*
- 2016 : *Arthur Satyan 4-day intensive Masterclass* at *Nova Club*
- 2016 : *International Jazz Day* hosted by *Arthur Satyan* in Beirut, Lebanon at *Nova Club* and Cairo, Egypt at *Cairo Jazz Club*
- 2016 : *Arthur Satyan Trio* in concert at the *Lebanese National Conservatory of Music*
- 2016 : *National Conservatory's Jazz Department* students *Concert lead by Arthur Satyan*
- 2016 : *Arthur Satyan 2-days Jazz Workshop at Nova Club for beginners:*  
**'LET'S PLAY JAZZ'**
- 2016 : *Arthur Satyan 2-days Jazz Masterclass at Nova Club for Advanced Students:*  
**'PLAYING BLUES & RHYTHM CHANGES'**
- 2016 : *Arthur Satyan* 3<sup>rd</sup> album recording (December) at Audio Addicts studio with Khachatur Savzyan on double bass and Paolo Orlandi on drums.  
Recording engineer - Khalil Chahine (Berlin, Germany – Musigma)
- 2017 : *Arthur Satyan 'ARTology'* album wins *The Best Fusion/Funk/Jam* album Award At *The Akademia Music Award* in Los Angeles, February, 2017.
- 2017 : *Arthur Satyan's* Live Performance video '*Moving Out*' wins *The Best Jazz Music Video* Award at *The Akademia Music Award* in Los Angeles, March, 2017.
- 2017 : *Arthur Satyan* Trio at Beirut *International Jazz Day 2017* celebration – Beirut Downtown
- 2017 : *Arthur Satyan* National Conservatory annual student concert  
at the *Lebanese Conservatory of Music*.
- 2017 : Opening of 'Now' music venue with *Arthur Satyan Trio*.

- 2017 : ***Brazilian Days*** in Lebanon at the Casino du Liban – 15 nights –  
with Xango Band featuring ***Arthur Satyan***
- 2018 : First time in Lebanon – Celebration of ***International Piano Day 2018***  
with ***Arthur Satyan Acoustic Ensemble***
- 2018 : Special ***Nord Keyboards*** clinic-demonstration performance by ***Arthur Satyan***  
as ***Nord Keyboards Artist***
- 2018 : ***International Jazz Day 2018*** (Beirut, Lebanon) – ***Arthur Satyan Trio***
- 2018 : ***Herbie Hancock’s THANK YOU Letter*** to ***Arthur Satyan*** for long-term contribution  
to the ***International Jazz Day*** celebration.
- 2019 : ***2<sup>nd</sup> place*** at the ***7 Virtual Jazz Club*** Competition with both Arthur’s compositions:  
“Theme for Two” and “Moving Out”
- 2019 : ***International Jazz Day 2019*** (Beirut, Lebanon) – ***Arthur Satyan Band*** Live at  
***Colonel Beer*** (Batroun) and ***Salon Beyrouth***
- 2019 : ***Lebanon Jazz Workshops 2019*** by ***Jazz Education Abroad*** featuring ***Arthur Satyan*** as  
advanced piano and combo instructor.
- 2019 : ***Arthur Satyan*** as ***Invited Judge*** at the ***7 Virtual Jazz Club Competition’s 2019 Edition***
- 2020 : ***Arthur Satyan New Album ‘Playing Around’*** digital release on 23<sup>rd</sup> of March.

Most known compositions:

2 String Quartets; Concerto for Cello and Chamber Orchestra;  
Cycles for Piano (Variations on the melody);  
Sextet for Piano, Vibraharp and String Quartet;  
Suite for Jazz Quartet;  
Jazz-Duets Series  
Dozen compositions for Big Band, Electric & Acoustic Bands.  
Music for TV programs, theatres, movies, jingles, arrangements, etc...

Arthur's compositions "Art's Minor Blues"; "Tonal Defence"; "Playing Around"; "Bop 'n' Roll"; "I did it again at 6:00am"; "Vodka in 'D' Minor"; "Cook's Hook"; "Chrome", "My New Tune", "Voco a Poco" and many others have been played by many Radio Stations all around the world.

Recent Recordings:

\* Arthur Satyan - "ART for ART's sake"

\* La CD-Theque compilation "Jazz is alive and well and living in Beirut",  
Featuring 3 Arthur Satyan's compositions and playing with 4 groups.

\* Arthur Satyan - "ARTology"

\* Anthology of Armenian Jazz 1938 - 2013 (10 CDs compilation) including 'Voco a Poco' track from Arthur Satyan's 'ARTology' album

\* *Currently Arthur Satyan is working on 2 recording projects.*

*As a sideman / arranger\*:*

Ryo Kawasaki - "Live in Beirut"

Julia Boutros - "Bisarah" \*\*

Ibrahim Jaber - "Faces" \*\*

R.E.G. - "Project - II";

Ghazi Abdel Baki - "Communique #2";

Charbel Rouhana - "Dangerous";

Itar Shameh (Racha Rizk - Ibrahim Sleimany) - "Baitna", "Elle'beh" \*\*

Soumaya Baalbaki - "ArabTango";

Aline Saadeh - "Kamashouatoura" - music by Arthur Satyan \*\*

Basel Rajoub - "Khamir" \*\*

Jean Madani - "Toorab"

*...and many others.*

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