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#### **Short Bio**

Each artist brings an impressive list of credits to this extraordinary musical collaboration.

Gayle Bisesi (vocalist/composer) has been singing professionally for 20+ years. She has had the honor of sharing the stage with Patti Austin, John Pizzarelli, and Clark Terry, among others. Her singing has taken her to the Montreux Jazz Festival in Switzerland, the North Sea Jazz Festival in The Netherlands, Spain, Portugal, New York City and Chicago's famed venues.

In contrast to the low, sultry rasp of the conventional jazz singer, this compact powerhouse with a four-octave range is a true "jazz soprano."

Visit www.gaylebisesi.com for comprehensive bio/info for Gayle Bisesi

**Grammy nominated saxophonist Nick Bisesi** has performed with such notables as **Ray Charles**, **Nancy Wilson**, **Dave Liebman**, and **The Temptations** to name a few, and is currently a member of **Ramsey Lewis**' Urban Knights. Nick has released three CD's as the leader of his own quartet. His CD "**Gemini**" (Blujazz 3339) has gathered rave reviews from the press and is currently playing on over 170 radio stations across the US and Canada.

Visit www.nickbisesi.com for comprehensive bio/info for Nick Bisesi

# **Quotes:**

"To have your own sound and style is magic, that's what Gayle and Nick have... It's just happenin'!" Ramsey Lewis - Jazz legend, Composer, and Pianist

A very talented and experienced singer, Gayle really knows what she is doing up there! **George Wein - Founder - Newport Jazz Festival**, **#1 International Jazz Impressario**, **NEA Jazz Master** 

Nick can't help but infuse the music with throaty emotion. **Neil Tesser - Chicago Reader Critic's Choice** 

I have listened and am hooked... the real deal! Rick Kogan - WGN Radio Host

# **Description:**

Don't be fooled by the classic "jazz singer meets sax player" combination. The musical push and pull of Gayle and Nick Bisesi is energetically contagious and brings an explosive quality to the band. They share equal mastery, allowing them to slide effortlessly in and out of each other's musical space.

Their genre-bending compositions blend jazz, rock, soul, singer/songwriter material, and even ska seamlessly to create a unique, high-energy take on modern jazz.

### **The Band:**

The dynamic 9 piece band includes sax, vocals, guitar, bass, drums, plus keyboards and 3 background vocalists. Ideal for festivals and large venues.

In a club or a smaller venue, the band strips down to the core 5 - sax, vocals, guitar, bass and drums, providing a more intimate sound with a smaller footprint.

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