## STAN SORENSON



## An Eclectic Collection of Jazz Ensembles

During his performances, Stan blends a variety of musical styles and songs with traditional jazz sounds. Cool, Be-bop, Latin beat and today's contemporary jazz are combined to create his unique flavor. Stan's vast repertoire includes original compositions and jazz standards, as well as drawing on modern classics by Sting/The Police, Eric Clapton, Jimi Hendrix, Led Zeppelin, The Beatles, Steely Dan, Stone Temple Pilots and Green Day, just to name a few.

Jazz Prose is Stan's backup group, which can range from an acoustic bass player to a five piece jazz ensemble including saxophone. The various configurations may also include a percussionist for the Latin jazz sound.

Bio

## Stan Sorenson

Inspired by a Herb Ellis recording his parents owned, Stan began guitar lessons at the age of eight. After seven years of private lessons, he began his professional career performing on the guitar in an accordion-based pop/polka band. Then came an all-original jazz/rock band. Two years later, Stan enrolled at the Phoenix College School of Music to explore and further his music skills. At Phoenix College, Stan studied classical and jazz guitar, along with composition, theory, acoustics, photography and other related art and music fields. Stan pursued his degree in Jazz Performance at Arizona State University. He received private lessons from several internationally renowned jazz guitarists including Joe Pass, Jeff Linsky, and Joe Dorio. Stan has performed locally and internationally, working with such greats as Nancy Wilson, Rosemary Clooney, Vic Damone, Jeffrey Osborne, The Fifth Dimension, Jimmy Smith, George Benson, Joey DeFrancesco and many others. Stan's various jazz ensembles have performed at numerous festivals and have opened for Ella Fitzgerald, Burt Bacharach, David Benoit, Ray Charles and others throughout his career. Stan has also played in the orchestras for many Broadway style musicals, including Zorba the Greek (starring Anthony Quinn), Annie, 42nd Street, A Chorus Line, Aida and Hairspray.

You can visit Stan's website at www.stansorenson.com for more information and browse through samples of his musical style.

For Booking and Information

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