

## Alma

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### Music from the soul of deep Brazil

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- Mario Marzi - saxophones
- Emiliano Rodriguez - saxophones
- Fabrizio Puglisi- piano
- Roberto Bartoli - doublebass



Alma is a project where all its players share the same interest for an important part of the brazilian musical tradition. This music gets its inspiration from choros, milonga, samba, and more ancient and attractive rhythms and melodies, filtered and reshaped by important composers, as Egberto Gismonti, Hermeto Pascoal, Heitor Villa-Lobos, Milton Nascimento and others. Beginning from the popular brazilian culture, they were able to develop a universal language, capable to express deeply the soul of Brazil. It's a music that links together popular elements with classical tradition. Alma plays the compositions through original arrangements, which keep intense the colours of brazilian folklore.

Mario Marzi, the first saxophone at 'La Scala' Theatre Orchestra, has played with world famous conductors (C. M. Giulini, W. Sawallisch, G. Sinopoli, R. Muti, G. Prêtre, L. Maazel, L. Berio, M.W. Chung, R.F. De Burgos, S. Bychkov, C. Abbado etc..). He plays all over the world in many prestigious concert halls.

Emiliano Rodriguez has worked with prestigious orchestras like 'La Scala' Theatre Orchestra, RAI Symphonic Orchestra, Opera Theatre of Rome, etc He has collaborated with musicians as G. Trovesi, P. Fresu, E. Rava, S. Bollani, P. Favre, H. Bullock. Roberto Bartoli, bassist and composer, has been on the jazz scene since 1975. He has played with M. Urbani, B. Berg, M. Stern, S.

Grossman, P. Fresu, F. D'Andrea, G. Trovesi, etc. Fabrizio Puglisi, pianist and composer, has worked with L. Bowie, B. Morris, J. Zorn, K.Wheeler, E. Rava, S. Lacy, L. Sclavis, D. Liebman, G. Russell, P. Fresu, R. Galliano, Italian Instabile Orchestra, Han Bennink. He played in many festivals in Europe, Usa, Canada, South America, Africa.



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