

Andrés Fernández Ordoñez « El País » presents :



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ContraBando is musical project under leadership of Andrés Fernández Ordoñez (former trombonist of the Cuban band "Pupy y Los Que Son Son"). The band consists of young Cuban musicians sparkling of new ideas and searching new ways for popular Cuban music.



ContraBando's repertoire results from a fusion of Songo with other musical trends such as Flamenco, Blues, Jazz, Rap and Afro-Cuban rhythms, with preservation of the Cuban characteristics.

The songs have a social contents and are dedicated to life, the love relationship and the woman as character herself: among them we meet Juana, María and La Vida, all written by Andrés Fernández Ordoñez "El Paísa".



The first CD "en mí habana" honours the Cuban ancestors of African origin.

ContraBando's curriculum

ContraBando's two years existence has already been successful. The summer concerts of 2005 started with the well known park festivals in Ronse, Halle, Kapellen, Roeselare, Vilvoorde, Deinze and Wevelgem. Next to these concerts they performed in Fiesta Foyer in St-Niklaas, The Square (Astrid Plaza Hotel), Axxes and Café Local in Antwerpen, Gentse Feesten, Puurs Lof, Mest-up Festival in Buggenhout and they took care for already two successive years of the Caribbean sphere in the centre of Mechelen on the "Mechelse Salsa". They were responsible for the entertainment on the brilliant revelation of a new Mercedes type at Automobiëlbedrijf VDH and took care of the right musical touch on marriages, private and birthday parties. Besides live performances our musicians recorded a trailer for a radio and TV commercial concerning the promotion of a Belgian bank. They've made some demo's as well and now they've reached their first goal: the "en mí habana" album!

ContraBando even bigger...

Also ContraBando XL already passed different stages, under their former name Sebastian y su Solución. They performed i.a. on Coninx Pop in Elsloo, park festival in Tilburg, Soirree Tropicale (Epegem), Holland Casino (Valkenburg), Salsa & PEPPER festival, "Latin Shine" in Discotheque Mondial at Maastricht and Salsa aan de Amstel in Amsterdam. They also worked by order of the event office Escape for a concert in the Brussels Event Brewery.

Contrabando Small is the basic size which consists out of five musicians. This format suits for little private parties, bars and/or restaurants. Composition:

Vocals	Fernando Blanco Moya
Piano	Andrés Fernández Ordoñez
Bass	Dennis Nicles Cobas
Conga	Roberto Amel Serra García
Tímbal	Sebastián Peña Ortíz



Contrabando, the original size consisting out of nine musicians, is suitable for dance cafés, discothèques, events and festivals. Thanks to the addition of a wind section, the musical possibilities are wider which manifests itself in more variation. Composition:

Vocals	Fernando Blanco Moya & Lalo Valería Mosqueira
Piano	Thomas Böttcher
Bass	Dennis Nicles Cobas
Conga	Roberto Amel Serra García
Tímbal	Sebastián Peña Ortíz
Trombone/Keyboards	Andrés Fernández Ordoñez
Trumpet	Pierre Malempre
Saxophone	Ruben Valle Elorriaga



Contrabando XL, the orchestral version of the original format. The addition of extra vocals, percussion and keyboards, the picture is complete. Extremely suitable for big halls, events and festivals.

Composition:

Vocals	Fernando Blanco Moya, Lalo Valería Mosqueira & Blanca Aideé Guerra
Piano	Thomas Böttcher
Bass	Dennis Nicles Cobas
Bongo	Leonid Muñoz Hernandez
Conga	Roberto Amel Serra García
Tímbal	Sebastián Peña Ortíz
Trombone	Andrés Fernández Ordoñez
Trumpet	Pierre Malempre
Saxophone	Ruben Valle Elorriaga
Keyboards/vocals	Benjamín Paulina "Fakier"



The CU Jazz Ensemble is composed of six musicians and has an extended instrumental repertoire. However due to the addition of an extra guest, a vocalist specialised in Afro-Cuban singing, brightens this version up with a special touch. Composition:

Saxophone	Ruben Valle Elorriaga
Trombone	Andrés Fernández Ordoñez
Piano	Thomas Böttcher
Bass	Dennis Nicles Cobas
Conga	Gabriel Valería Mosqueira
Tímbal	Leonid Muñoz Hernandez
Vocals	Fernando Blanco Moya



Information and bookings

For more information you can always consult the website. You will be able to find references of concerts, photo's, etc., as well as the discography and technical riders in PDF. Would you like to know the upcoming performances, please check the calendar on a regular basis.

www.grupo-contrabando.com

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