



Inbar Paz – Biography

Born 13.5.1992 in Tel-Aviv, Israel, Inbar Paz is a promising and talented young Double-bass Jazz musician.

Inbar attended Israel's best Music Schools: The Ted Arison School for Arts elementary school and Thalma Yelin High School. She started playing the Violin at the age of seven, and was a member of the Young Philharmonic Orchestra, curtesy of the Israeli Ministry of Education (MATAN).

At the age of 14, Inbar switched to Double bass, and studied at the Israeli Philharmonic Orchestra special program, "Key", with various IPO players, notably Eli Magen, who is also the foremost Israeli Jazz musician. As a classical Double bass musician, she played with the Young Kibbutzim Orchestra and with the Young Philharmonic Orchestra. She won the America-Israel Cultural Foundation's Double-bass Scholarship for 2009.

However, she was mostly a Jazz player. As such, her Band was selected to play at the Eilat Jazz Festival of 2009, where she won an AICF Scholarship for Jazz Double bass. She was drafted to the IDF, as a musician, where she performed in many national events, mainly Popular Music and solo parts with the Violin. Many of those events were filmed by the Israeli National TV in front of a very large audience', including high-ranking IDF officers and state leaders.

In 2012, after completing her service as an Excelling Musician in the Israeli Army in 2012, Inbar studied at the Buchman-Mehta School of Music in the University of Tel-Aviv. During her studies, she performed with the Buchman-Mehta School of Music Orchestra at the most prestigious venue in the country, the "Culture Palace", under the directorship of Maestro Zubin Mehta.



Paz studied jazz music in the New York New School program at the Israeli Academy of Music. She played at the best Jazz venues in the country with some of the most prominent Jazz musicians of Israel including, Ofer Ganor, Amos Hoffman, Omri Mor, Hagai Amir, Itai Kriss, Erez Bar-noy, Shay Zelman, Jess Koren, Mamello, Katya Toobool, Eli Degibri and many others. In 2013, she played at the Tel-Aviv Jazz Festival.

For the past two years, she is part of the big hits Musicals: Cabaret, My Fair Lady and others, performing at the two largest Theaters in Israel, "Habima National Theater" and the "Cameri".

Presently, she is performing with her own band at one of the most prestigious Jazz Clubs in Israel (and according to the "business Insider", in the World) Beit Haamudim.

In 2016, Inbar was granted the prestigious Alien of Extraordinary Ability in the Arts immigration status and moved to New York. Since her arrival, she has won the International Women in Jazz 2017 competition with Trio SIJ featuring saxophonist Julietta Eugenio and pianist Sarah Slonim and performed with some of the leading figures in today's jazz music like guitarist Yotam Silberstein, pianist Johnny O'Neal, trumpeters Roy Hargrove and Alex Norris, flutist Itai Kriss to name a few. Ms Paz can be heard playing at the city's leading jazz venues such as Smalls, Mezzrow, Cleopatra's Needle, Birdland, The Smoke and many more.