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## AMIK GUERRA

Trumpeter, Conductor, Arranger,  
Composer, Coach & Music Educator

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## DESCRIPTION

Born in Havana, Cuba, on 11th May 1973. He made the first steps in music at the age of 7 when his father, a talented amateur musician, introduced him to the classical guitar. At the age of 8, Amik entered the conservatory to take guitar lessons. After 3 years a bike accident put an end to his career as a guitar player but it could not hinder his passion for music. Amik decided to continue his musical journey under the guidance of Maestro Ernesto Luaces, who introduced him to the trumpet. In 1992, Amik Guerra graduated in trumpet, percussion and arrangement from the 'Escuela Nacional de Instructores de Arte' in Havana. At the age of 19 Amik started a professional career at the Septeto Nacional Ignacio Piñero, Cuban Heritage of Culture.

Just 2 years later (1994) he arrived in Torino, Italy to start what has evolved into a successful path as a trumpeter and arranger for several international artists. In 2004 his way brought him to Switzerland and 2 years later to the Principality of Liechtenstein. Where he is actually living, combined with international traveling as a musician and teaching work. Over the years he has gained a lot of experience in various facets of music - such as Pop, Jazz, Latin Jazz, Salsa, Reggae and Indie.

Amik Guerra has lived in different countries, traveled to various cities and met many people and their cultures. The music was his most faithful companion - for him personally, as a bridge between cultures, as a communication tool, as a discovery channel, as a playground for creativity, as a way to discover limits and beyond, as a door opener for a new universe. Music can do so much, knows Amik. That is precisely why he meets her with the utmost respect, esteem, sensitivity and thereby achieves incredible results. His musical performance shows the highest quality down to the last detail, a tangible passion and warmth. An artist with a big heart and a lot of humor on and off the stage.

## COLLABORATIONS

Amik Guerra has collaborated on stage or studio with a long list of musicians.

- Celia Cruz
- Buena Vista Social Club
- Roy Hargrove
- Big Band Liechtenstein
- Mercadonegro
- Billy Cohbam
- Gonzalo Rubalcaba
- Michael Brecker
- Steve Turre
- Alfredo de la Fe
- Jimmy Bosch
- Horacio El Negro Hernandez
- Rodrigo y Gabriela
- New York Salsa All Stars
- New Cool Collective Big Band
- Leroy Gomez
- Triba
- Lariba
- Mau Mau
- Nek
- Eugenio Finardi
- Emir Ersoy
- Peter Madsen
- Pavarotti and Friends
- Gloria Estefan
- Israel Lopez Cachao
- Picason
- José Alberto el Canario
- Tito Nieves
- CaboCubaJazz
- Timbazo
- Afro Cuban All Stars
- Adrian Stern
- Alina Amuri
- Patric Scott
- Wicked (Musical)
- Jesus Christ Superstar (Musical)
- and many more

#### PAST SHOWS

Amik Guerra has performed at many shows and festivals, such as:

- Montreux Jazz Festival (Switzerland)
- New Orleans Jazz Heritage (USA)
- North Sea Jazz Festival (Netherlands)
- Latinoamericando Festival (Italy)
- Estival Lugano (Switzerland)
- Casa del Jazz Roma (Italy)
- Auditorium Roma (Italy)
- San Remo Festival (Italy)
- Arena de Verona Pavarotti and Friends (Italy)
- Bonnaroo Festival Tennessee (USA)
- Brazilian Trumpet Guild Conference
- Porto Alegre (Brazil), Jay Leno Show (USA)
- Paleo Festival Nyon (Switzerland)
- Francofollies (France)
- Porto Latino (Corsica, France)
- and many more

#### PAST COACHING/WORKSHOPS

Since 1992 Amik Guerra is teaching trumpet and ensemble classes as well as giving coaching in form of workshops or single sessions. An exemplary abstract below:

- Escuela de Musica Alejandro Garcia Caturla, Havana, Cuba (Trumpet and Theory of Music)
- Centro Didattico Musical Italiano, Moncalieri, Italy (Trumpet)
- Brazilian Trumpet Guild (Trumpet)
- Festival de Ensembles Lima, Peru (Trumpet)
- Sommerakademie Bad Kreuzen, Austria (Trumpet and Jazz Ensembles)
- Big Band der Stadtjugendmusik Zürich, Switzerland ((Trumpet and Jazz Ensembles)
- Musikschule Feldkirch in Austria (Leader of the Youth Big Band)