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Jazz, Blues & Beyond

On behalf of everyone at DownBeat magazine, we would like to congratulate you on being named one of the world's top jazz venues of 2016. This list represents a comprehensive look at where great improvised music is being played globally — from exciting new clubs to legendary venues that have thrived for decades.

Around the first week of January, you will receive a complimentary shipment of eight copies of the February issue of DownBeat with your club listed in our Jazz Venue Guide. For now, is a window decal noting that you have been named one of our top clubs of the year.

Again, **BRAVO!** We look forward to another year of great live music!

Best regards,



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alexanderplatzjazzclub.com

At more than 30 years old, Alexanderplatz can lay claim to being the oldest jazz club in Italy. A small club tucked away on a side street, Alexanderplatz is located near St. Peter's Basilica. The club presents Italian jazz musicians and the occasional international act.

Cantina Bentivoglio

Via Mascarella, 4/B
Bologna
39 051 265416

cantinabentivoglio.it

This 150-seat jazz venue doubles as a wine cellar, with more than 400 varieties of wine, and it has a restaurant. The Nico Menci Bebop Monamour Trio recently played there.

JAZZ CLUB FERRARA

Via 167, Rampari di Belfiore
Ferrara
39 339 788 6261

jazzclubferrara.com

Situated within St. John's Tower, this club has presented jazz since 1999. Kurt Rosenwinkel recently performed at the club, but mostly management books local jazz musicians. Monday is jam-session night.

La Salumeria Della Musica

Via Pasinetti 4
Milan
39 02 5680 7350

lasalumeriadellamusica.com

For more than 20 years, this Milano jazz club has been welcoming international jazz

musicians into its cozy surroundings. In addition to jazz, management books rock and pop acts.

JAPAN

Alfie Jazz House

6-2-35 Roppongi
Hama Roppongi Bldg. 5F
Tokyo
81 3 3479 2037

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Local jazz musicians are booked at Alfie, which was founded by late Japanese drumming sensation Motohiko "Toko" Hino. Alfie's is the jazz hotspot of Tokyo's Roppongi district.

Body And Soul

6-13-9 Minamiaoyama
Tokyo
81 3 5466 3348

bodyandsoul.co.jp

Body And Soul books two shows a night, six days a week, highlighting local jazz musicians. Touring acts come through on a monthly basis.

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Miyamoto Bldg, 2F 1-43
Yokohama
045 241 6167

yokohama-downbeat.com/index.html

Sometimes referred to as "Japan's jazz hub," this venue has been presenting live jazz since 1956.

Jz Brat

26-1 Sakuragaokach
Shibuya
Tokyo
81 03 5728 0168

jzbrat.com

Jz Brat focuses on jazz, but management also books bands dabbling in a variety of genres, including rock, r&b, house and hip-hop. The club is on the second floor of the the tallest building in Tokyo's Shibuya shopping district.

Shinjuku Pit Inn

2-12-4 Accord Bldg. B1
Shinjuku shinjuku-ku
Tokyo
81 3 3354 2024

pit-inn.com

Shinjuku Pit Inn bills itself as a listening room and says it is to Tokyo what the Village Vanguard is to New York. The club features mostly local jazz artists.

MEXICO

La Casa del Mendrugo

Calle 4 Sur 304, Centro Histórico
Puebla de Zaragoza, Puebla
52 222 232 5148

casadelmendrugo.com

Dating back to the 1600s, La Casa del Mendrugo currently serves as a restaurant, gallery, museum and jazz lounge. Tourists and locals can hear live jazz and experience a small part of the city's rich history.




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