

## Danny Green Trio - Biography

A rising force on the jazz scene and an award-winning Origin Records recording artist, pianist and composer Danny Green has distinguished himself with his beautifully articulated touch and melodically charged sensibility. His Original compositions – a vivid blend of jazz, classical, and Brazilian elements – delights critics and audiences across the country and around the world. According to AllAboutJazz.com, Danny Green is “a writer of gorgeous and engaging tunes, and a first rate pianist leading a distinctively interactive trio.”

The Danny Green Trio features the talents of upright and electric bassist Justin Grinnell and drummer Julien Cantelm. Since its formation in 2010, the trio has performed at notable venues, series, and festivals across the county, including the San Jose Jazz Summer Fest, Shapeshifter Lab (NYC), The Blue Whale (LA), Vibrato Jazz Grill (LA), The Lilypad (Cambridge), The Loft @ UCSD, KSDS Jazz 88.3's Jazz Live, the Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (San Diego), CSU Summer Arts Monterey (residency), the Integrity Jazz festival in North Dakota, TEDxUCSD, The Sound Room (Oakland), Tula's Jazz Club (Seattle), Jazz Live at Marine View Church (Tacoma), and the KSDS Jazz 88.3 Ocean Beach Jazz Festival. Their work has been featured in DownBeat Magazine, Jazziz, the San Diego Union Tribune, The Boston Globe, NPR, and JazzEd.

The trio formed the core band on Green's highly acclaimed 2012 release, *A Thousand Ways Home*. Joined by world class jazz artists including Chico Pinheiro, Claudia Villela and Peter Sprague, the album received numerous rave reviews nationwide, rose to #17 on the Jazz Week Charts, and was voted into KSDS Jazz 88.3's “Top Ten Jazz Releases of 2012.”

In 2014, the Danny Green Trio released the highly-acclaimed album *After The Calm* on OA2 Records. Featuring ten of Green's compositions, the album received much praise from the press and nationwide radio play. JazzWax described the album as “A highly impressive album that will knock you out,” and the San Diego Troubadour called it, “Unconditionally recommended to anyone who appreciates good jazz, instrumental music or soundtracks.” *After The Calm* won “Best Jazz Album” at the 2015 San Diego Music Awards and was nominated for “Album of the Year.”

The trio recorded their 2016 release, *Altered Narratives*, at New York City's famed Sear Sound recording studio with award-winning producer Matt Pierson. Released on OA2 Records, the album consists of eleven original compositions by Green. The three tunes at the center of the album feature the trio with a string quartet led by violinist Antoine Silverman, a widely admired New York classical and studio player. All About Jazz critic Dan McClenaghan commented, “There's nothing that adds a touch of elegance to a jazz set more than an adeptly-done string arrangement, and these are superb; violins, viola and cello in a sinuous, sometimes whispering embrace with a vibrant, top-notch piano trio, delving into Danny Green's distinguished compositions.” The album remained on the Jazz Week Top 50 chart for fourteen weeks and earned high praise from critics worldwide.

Since the release of *Altered Narratives*, Green has continued composing music for trio plus strings and performing it. The Danny Green Trio Plus Strings's debut performance at New York City's Shapeshifter Lab featured members of the New York based chamber ensemble, Hotel Elephant, along with special guest Chico Pinheiro on guitar. Other performances include a live radio broadcast on KSDS Jazz 88.3's Jazz Live, featuring members of the San Diego Symphony, TEDxSan Diego, the Museum of Making Music, and the Western Arts Alliance Juried Showcase in Seattle. NBC San Diego reviewed their Jazz Live performance noting, “Green's acuity for string writing and the seamless integration of the quartet and the improvising trio were nothing short of sterling.” The Danny

Green Trio Plus Strings is currently in production on a new album, slated for release on Origin Records in April 2018.

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