

KANA FUEFUKI

【Flute.Shinobue.Syakuhachi /  
Jazz Flutist】

KANA is a flute and Shinobue and Syakuhachi player specializing in jazz, Latin, and improvisation. And also a multi-flute player who performs a wide variety of Air reed Flutes. She is a highly original

musician with an expressive tone, Especially, Her unique Shinobue Flutes playing style, a perfect fusion of traditional Japanese and jazz techniques, has attracted a large audience and is highly regarded in all quarters.



In 2014, She was chosen as the best wind instruments performer by vote and the runner-up of all performers at the You-tube video contest of Diners Club Social Jazz Session 2013-14. As the supplementary prize, she performed with Lee Ritenour, Crystal Kay, and Akira Jinbo on stage at Blue Note Japan. In 2014, She finished in the second place in Internet Shinobue Contest 2014. In 2014, 「Send for Spring」 ( Her original song) awarded as the finalist in John Lennon Songwriting Contest 2014 World Division.

While at university, she was attracted to improvised music and studied jazz theory, as well as traditional Japanese and African music in an ethnic music research seminar.

After graduating from university, she studied jazz theory and arranging at the Yamaha Music Academy, and also went to New York and LA to gain experience in sessions with local jazz musicians.

Currently active mainly in Japan with her own leader band **【Jazz Meets Japanese Tradition】** **【Kana's Quartetto】** , and also participates as various flute player in a variety of bands.

In 2015, She performed at LONDON HYPER JAPAN as a member of **【Utsukushi no Sato Sisters】** In July 2018, She performed at Traditional Music Festival in Kazakhstan as a member of **【Traditional Japanese Musical Instrument Ensemble JAPAN】** .

In 2023,2024 She toured the Netherlands, Germany, Austria and the UK as a member of the Japanese inspired jazz group **【Kaiju Project】** , performing at events such as LONDON HYPER JAPAN, Japanmarkt, Dokomi Dusseldorf, Berlin and Munich .

She has made appearances at festivals and live music venues in Japan, UK, USA, Kazakhstan, Holland, Germany, Taiwan, Thailand, Malaysia, Canada and many other countries.