

Volker / Holly Schlott – producer, composer, musician (sax, fl, piano, perc)

After his training at the music school in Oelsnitz/V and the MHS “Hanns Eisler” Berlin (1974-1980), his professional career began 1978 as a musician in the fusion band “Fusion” at the age of 19.

After several years of apprenticeship in various bands, mainly in the jazz field, he started his own band concept in 1983 (bass, 2sax, drums).

1985 followed the founding of the legendary wind quartet “FUN HORNS” (over 35 years), as well as the Volker Schlott Quartet, REEDS-Solo Project and many more.

As a guest soloist, he is on tour with the Danish band “New Jungle Orchestra” or “Talam 10”, (Europe, USA, Canada, Australia).

He also enjoys a soloist contract with the Radio Big Band Berlin between 1985-1988 and as a studio musician for many pop and jazz bands.

Since 1995 he has toured with the great Greek composer Mikis Theodorakis and the Greek singer Maria Farantouri worldwide.

During this period 1995-2010 he was also involved in several CD recordings of the two stars (see discography website).

Since 1997 he has also been a permanent member of the band by the american soul + jazz singer Jocelyn B. Smith and since 2006 he has also appeared as a musical director, producer and arranger for Jocelyn B. Smith (“Expressionzz” and meanwhile over 10 CD productions).

On over 80 CDs, either as a sideman, or as a creative composer and musician, he has now deposited his brand as a saxophonist / flutist.

He writes music for film, television- and theater-productions, publishes a playbook for saxophone “SAXOFUN” at AMA Verlag, has been a cultural ambassador on behalf of the Goethe Institute on all continents and has been a lecturer at the Berlin Jazz Institute JIB for over 25 years.

Together with Jocelyn B. Smith he is involved in the association “YES WE CAN-Berlin” for children in crisis areas worldwide.

In 2018 Holly Schlott released her solo CD “two spirits”, in which he / she spoke about her transgender identity for the first time in German jazz. And since then Holly has been an integral part of the stage.

You can get more information from:

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