

Hello!

My name is Dmytro Kovalenko. I'm a Kyiv-based jazz guitarist, composer and arranger.

Was born in Kyiv in 1989.

Since early childhood got interested in music.

At 5 years old attended choir and started to take piano lessons.

At age of 11 switched to guitar and trumpet.

I started to play bass guitar in a school ensemble.

In 2005 studied in Glier Music college, then in 2007 in Kyiv national conservatoire.

In 2009 has been accepted to the University of music and performing arts in Graz, Austria.

Since moving to Graz immediately got plenty of gigs with other students and teachers.

I started to host a personal jam session in a local bar.

I took part in an educational program in Montenegro in 2010 as an ensemble teacher.

I moved to Kyiv in 2011 then started to capture the Kyiv local scene. Played guitar in Kyiv Big Bang, Big Jump Big Band.

Got much interested in Gypsy, Balkan and Klezmer music.

I became a constant member of Pushkin Klezmer Band and Babuchi and Brothers Gypsy band.

At the same time started to study jazz-manouche music language. Played a couple of years in the Urban Gypsy jazz-manouche group. Actively composing contemporary jazz tunes and playing with local jazz musicians.

Hosting jam sessions in an art gallery.

In 2011-2012 I have been working on Oceania Cruise Lines.

Played at the various jazz festivals:

Jazz Koktebel 2008, Jazz Werkstatt Graz 2009, Dodje Kiev 2008, Val-Amar jazz fest 2010. Jazz in Kiev 2012, Alpha jazz Lviv

In November 2021 signed a contract with a 1+1 TV Production for playing music in a late night Show "Tviy Vechir" ("Your Evening").

My studio works

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