

# GREGORY CHEN

NYC-based pianist specializing in early 20th century jazz styles  
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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**NYC Dept. of Education/Afro Latin Jazz Alliance:** Piano Instructor (Nov. 2011 – Nov. 2012) **New York, NY**

- *Afro Latin Jazz Alliance's* outreach program providing after school music education at *Bronx Studio School for Writers and Artists (PS 268)* and the *Business of Sports School (PS 393)*.
- Guided students in developing their technical facilities, music appreciation, and teamwork skills.

**San Jose Jazz Society:** Music Instructor (Summer 2010, 2011) **San Jose, CA**

- Instructed middle and high school age students in beginning piano, music theory, jazz improvisation, and small-group ensembles, culminating with a final community concert.

**Private Students:** Music performance, theory, and appreciation (2006 – present)

**Student Success:** Berklee School of Music, Berkeley Jazzschool Advanced High School Jazz Workshop, The New School for Jazz and Contemporary Music, North Texas State, NYU, San Jose Youth Jazz Orchestra, SFJAZZ Youth All-Stars

## PERFORMING EXPERIENCE

### Venues

Avery Fisher Hall at Lincoln Center, NY  
Children's Museum of Manhattan, NY  
Harvard Club, NY  
Yale Club, NY  
Columbia Club, NY  
Dizzy's Club Coca Cola, NY  
Gramercy Theatre, NY  
Puppets Jazz Bar, NY  
Riverside Church, NY  
Smalls Jazz Club, NY  
Smoke Jazz Club, NY  
Somethin' Jazz Club, NY

Symphony Space, NY  
The Garage, NY  
Westchester Presbyterian Jazz Society, NY  
World Trade Center, NY  
Capital Club, San Jose, CA  
Center for Performing Arts, San Jose, CA  
Hillside Club, Berkeley, CA  
Monterey Jazz Festival, Monterey, CA  
San Jose Jazz Festival, San Jose, CA  
Tech Museum, San Jose, CA  
The Improv, San Jose, CA

The Jazzschool, Berkeley, CA  
American Jazz Museum, Kansas City, MO  
Jazz at the Bistro, St. Louis, MO  
The Jazz Showcase, Chicago, IL  
Kennedy Center, Washington D.C.  
Manchester Craftsmen's Guild, Pittsburgh, PA  
Mike Tomaro Jazz Camp, Pittsburgh, PA  
WASBE Convention, Cincinnati, OH  
Yoshi's Jazz Club, Oakland, CA  
Yoshi's Jazz Club, San Francisco, CA

### Collaborations

Aaron Johnson  
Alex Hoffman  
Anton Schwartz  
Barry Harris  
Bobby Watson  
Candido Camero  
Dean Torrey

Emanuele Basentini  
Jon Gordon  
Lee Konitz  
Scott Lowrie  
Steve Wilson  
Wycliffe Gordon  
Wynton Marsalis

California All-State Jazz Band  
NY Youth Symphony Jazz Band  
Jazz Band of America  
MSM Afro-Cuban Jazz Orchestra  
Next Generation Jazz Orchestra  
Reno Jazz Festival All Stars  
San Jose Jazz Society All Stars

## EDUCATION

**Manhattan School of Music** **New York, NY**  
B.M. in Jazz Piano Performance; Cumulative GPA: 3.93  
Class of 2013

**Columbia University** **New York, NY**  
B.A. in Computer Science; Cumulative GPA: 3.77  
Class of 2017

## AWARDS

Don Haas Award for Outstanding Jazz Pianist  
Downbeat Award (w/ Jazzschool Adv. Workshop)  
Folsom Jazz Festival Outstanding Soloist  
IAJE Scholarship Award  
Manhattan School of Music President's Award Scholarship  
Monterey Next Generation Jazz Festival Outstanding Soloist  
NFAA YoungArts New York Regional Winner  
Smith Dobson Youth Jazz Festival Outstanding Soloist