

TRIO GRANDE

BAND BIOS

Carlin Venaglia (drums) is a native New Mexican, studied music at USC Northridge in Los Angeles under such jazz greats as bassist **Gary Pratt**. Well known for his light-touch and unmistakable musicality, Carlin was acclaimed as one of the hot new jazz talents in California. Returning to Albuquerque, Carlin assembled Trio Grande in early 2008 and is a well-known music instructor at Interplay Music School in Albuquerque's West Side. Also an expert in the culinary arts, Carlin pursues his passion for Italian cuisine at Albuquerque's well-loved Caruso's restaurant.



Jim Ahrend (piano), originally from New York, now calls Albuquerque his home. Jim is a New England Conservatory Alumnus with wide experience in stage, studio and media settings, recently touring as Music Director for guitarist **Esteban** (2002-2007). Locally Jim has appeared with trumpet legend **Bobby Shew**, is the organist at Monte Vista church, and enjoys a variety of gigs in various styles and venues. Formerly having had careers in aviation (commuter pilot) and hypnotherapy, when Jim is not playing music you may find him designing and programming web sites and data-driven web applications for clients who include UNM, several local businesses, individuals and organizations.



Chris Golden (bass) was raised in Eugene, Oregon where he began playing bass at age 10. He later attended Berklee College of Music in Boston MA where he studied Jazz Composition and received a Bachelors Degree in Performance on both electric and upright bass. Chris has lived in the Los Angeles area where he recorded and performed with many notable artists including **Rod Stewart, Carly Simon, Mick Fleetwood, Xzibit, Black Eyed Peas, Art Garfunkel, Engelbert Humperdinck, Earl Palmer** and **Brian Auger's Oblivion Espresso**. Now living in Albuquerque, Chris continues to compose, produce, perform and record for many independent music and film projects as well as for T.V. and radio.



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