

Deutsche Jazzunion: Serving Jazz and Improvised Music since 1973

Since 1973, we have been advocating at the federal level as a professional and interest-based association for the concerns of professional jazz musicians in Germany.

This includes enhancing the presence and public perception of jazz in Germany – as well as establishing a functioning infrastructure that enables musicians to live, work, and be creative. In collaboration with international, national, and regional jazz associations as well as jazz-related and cross-sector organizations – we work to improve the structural and financial conditions for performing and teaching jazz musicians.

Our work is guided by principles of social and ecological sustainability and a clear commitment to combating all forms of discrimination.

Our core goals:

- Fair remuneration
- Social security
- Targeted funding
- Visibility
- Education and teaching
- Social responsibility & sustainability

Your way to reach us

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Find us online

www.deutsche-jazzunion.de

You can read all about
our work here. Simply
scan the QR code.



Here you can go
directly to the online
membership application



Deutsche Jazzunion

The voice of jazz musicians in Germany

Your advantages

We keep you informed

Our regular member newsletter and our platform NIM.jazz are exclusively available to our members. Here, we keep you up to date on current political and professional developments and news.

We connect you

Get in direct contact with other members across Germany and exchange ideas on topics such as professional politics, instrument rentals, rehearsal space searches, or the various participation formats.

We support you

In addition to representing you politically, we also provide support in your everyday life as a jazz musician – with training opportunities and job-specific information.

You benefit from special conditions and discounts

Your membership fee includes access to an exclusive catalog of discounts, e.g., for IT products, instrument insurance, trade magazines, and recording studios.

You also receive:

- Included professional liability insurance
- 20% GEMA discount for event organizers

Your membership fee is tax-deductible.



We are your voice in politics and public discourse

Your perspective matters!

Our cultural policy work can only succeed if we work together! We represent your interests as a jazz musician to political decision-makers and the public. By becoming a member, you contribute your perspective and help us continue to stand up for the diverse needs of jazz musicians, raise awareness for their challenges and living conditions, and achieve lasting improvements.

We participate and ensure representation

We delegate members to relevant committees, juries, and institutions where decisions about jazz funding and the infrastructure of the scene are made. Because wherever our music is at stake, we need to be represented as experts!

So we can continue to represent your interests in the future!

As an association, we are funded by membership fees and project-based grants. However, public funding sources are becoming increasingly limited. To continue representing your interests effectively, we need to become more independent from project-based funding. Every member contributes to this through their membership fee!

What we've already achieved

We advocate for jazz

Over the past years, we've established ourselves as the largest genre-specific association for musicians in Germany and have become a nationwide voice for jazz and improvised music.

Targeted funding

With the *Albert Mangelsdorff Prize*, we created the most prestigious jazz award in the German-speaking world. We also co-developed important funding programs and structures such as *MUSIKFONDS*, *APPLAUS*, and the *German Jazz Prize*, all of which support jazz and improvised music and help increase their visibility.

Establishing minimum fee recommendations

We played a key role in the collaborative process of establishing minimum fee recommendations, which are reviewed and updated annually. We ensure that the perspective of jazz musicians is always part of this process.

Driving transformation through research and reporting

Our studies and publications enhance understanding of the living and working conditions of jazz musicians in Germany. We also actively address and combat gender-based discrimination in the scene.

Education & networking

Through initiatives like *Jazzpilot*innen*, we've been promoting political education and democracy for years. Our *Jazz Now!* forum is recognized as a forward-thinking space for discourse and addresses social and cultural policy developments every two years.

And this is just the beginning – for more insights, visit our website!

www.deutsche-jazzunion.de

What does the membership cost?

All listed fees are minimum contributions and can be voluntarily increased.

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

(Musicians)

Regular rate: from €72 per year

STUDENTS/APPRENTICES

(Proof required)

Reduced rate: from €36 per year

SUPPORTING MEMBERS

(LAGs/IGs, music (high)schools, associations, institutions, companies, and individual supporters)

Minimum contribution: from €72 per year

Send it on its way ...

You can submit the completed application (see the back) either directly to us, mail it to us, or conveniently fill it out online and send it via email.

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Membership form

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☐ Individual member (regular) ☐ Individual member (reduced) ☐ Supporting member

I pay: ☐ Minimum contribution
 ☐ Individual contribution: _____

First name _____

Last name _____

Instrument(s) _____

Gender _____

If applicable, main profession _____

Street _____

Postal code, City _____

Phone _____

Mobile _____

E-Mail _____

Website _____

Date of birth _____

Interest in active participation ☐ Yes ☐ No

Topic: _____

Account holder _____

IBAN _____

I hereby authorise the Deutsche Jazzunion e. V. to collect my annual membership fee by direct debit. At the same time I instruct my bank to honour the direct debits drawn on my account by the Deutsche Jazzunion. Please note: I can request a refund of the debited amount within eight weeks of the debit date. The terms and conditions agreed with my bank apply. Creditor ID (IBAN): DE84ZZZ00000384098. The mandate reference number will be assigned after registration.

Place, Date

Signature