

# Bruce Katz Band



Bruce Katz is a legendary keyboardist (Hammond B3 and piano) who has released 10 CDs as a leader and has appeared on nearly 70 other CDs with the likes of John Hammond, Delbert McClinton, Ronnie Earl, Butch Trucks, Duke Robillard, Little Milton, Joe Louis Walker, David “Fathead” Newman, and many, many others.

He has also had a strong musical connection with the **Allman Brothers Band**, having been a member of **Gregg Allman’s** band for six years (2007-2013), Jaimoe’s Jasssz Band (2010-2015), Butch Trucks’s Freight Train Band (2015-2017) and Les Brers. Bruce also occasionally toured with the Allman Brothers as well.



He is a seven time BMA nominee (2008, 2009, 2010, 2015, 2019, 2020, 2021) for the “Pinetop Perkins Piano Player of the Year” award, which is the equivalent of the “Blues Grammys”. He was also nominated by Living Blues Magazine for “Outstanding Musician (Keyboard)” award in 2015 and 2019. He won the 2019 BMA for “Best Acoustic Album” for “Journeys to the Heart of the Blues”, recorded with Joe Louis Walker and Giles Robson and was nominated for “Acoustic Album” award for “Solo Ride”, his solo piano CD.

His most recent albums include, “Get Your Groove!” (American Showplace Music, 2018) and his critically acclaimed solo piano CD, “Solo Ride” (American Showplace) in August of 2019.

The Bruce Katz Band is an original, very exciting group of musicians that combine Blues, “soul-jazz”, and New Orleans inspired roots music. Based in Woodstock, NY, Bruce Katz occupies a unique space where blues and the many aspects of Americana music collide into a style of original music all his own. The band has a trademark sound, blending the B3 organ and guitar in unique and inventive ways.

The Bruce Katz Band is:

Bruce Katz – Hammond B3 organ and piano  
Aaron Lieberman – guitar/vocals  
Ray Hangen – drums



## **What Musicians and Media Are Saying About Bruce Katz:**

"He can play jazz, blues, Bach, anything. Man, he's a heavy!"

**- Gregg Allman**

"This man is as good as it gets. One of the greatest keyboard artists I've ever heard"

**- John Hammond**

"Now, that's a piano player!"

**- Pinetop Perkins**

"I've rarely heard anyone so at home with their instrument and so authoritative in such a wide range of styles. Extraordinary comes to mind. Katz' command of his instrument ranges from casual to brutal, providing every shade of emotion that a full band could elicit from any listener."

**- Tom O'Connor, Rock and Blues Muse Review**

"Katz has a broad musical intellect of a very high order...a true individualist, he unleashes perfectly turned phrases that travel through blues, boogie-woogie, stride, spirituals, New Orleans R&B, Ramsey Lewis soul-jazz and even a country waltz."

**- DownBeat magazine**

"I marvel at not only his dexterity, but his feeling and soul...the spirit of New Orleans seem to shine on everything Katz plays..."transcendently wonderful..."

**-Goldmine magazine**

"All the foundational elements of jazz and blues piano are here with the signature Katz touch. Katz is in top form, again demonstrating why he is so highly acclaimed in the roots and blues genres."

**-Jim Hynes, Glide Magazine**