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**Tommaso Starace Quartet**  
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# Tommaso Starace Italian Quartet

The quartet performs original compositions and standards composed during the Swing, Bebop, Modal Times from the music of Billy Strayhorn to that of Thelonious Monk, Clifford Brown, and Cannonball Adderley.

The quartet also performs original compositions inspired by the music of Brandford Marsalis, Joshua Redman, and Rosario Giuliani.

Tommaso is resident in London since 2000 and its in this city that he started making a name for himself in the British jazz circuit.

He has performed with his group in various jazz clubs, concerts halls and jazz festivals some of which include: 'Purcell Room' - Queen Elizabeth Hall; Pizza Express Jazz Club Soho; Royal National Theatre; Royal Festival Hall Jazz Foyer; Bonnington Theatre Nottingham; Swanage Jazz Festival; and many others.

In December 2005 Tommaso has recorded and produced his second CD 'Tommaso Starace plays the Photos of Elliott Erwitt' with his newly formed All Star Quintet.

The CD launch took place on the 21st December at the Purcell Room, Royal Festival Hall and was followed by a favourable review by Jack Massarick, Evening Standard:

*'Signor Starace plays alto and soprano sax with impressive post-Parkerian felicity and Italian flair'.*

In the year 2006 Tommaso was accepted in the finals of the prestigious International Massimo Urbani Award and was awarded a Bursary to attend the Nuoro Jazz Seminars organised by trumpeter Paolo Fresu. At the end of the course the Nuoro Jazz Faculty awarded a bursary to the seven most promising musicians inviting them back for the 2008 season taking part in the 'Time in jazz' Festival in Berchidda and the Nuoro Jazz Festival and inviting to record a CD at the end of the tour.

In 2008 Tommaso was busy touring with his quartet in the UK between July and December and traveling to Italy for concerts with his Italian Quartet in various regional jazz clubs.

The Tommaso Starace Italian 4tet was founded in the year 2007 and is made up of:

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<b>attilio zanchi</b>	bass	<a href="http://www.myspace.com/attiliozanchi">www.myspace.com/attiliozanchi</a>
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