John Funkhouser Bio

Pianist, bassist, composer and educator John Funkhouser has shared the stage with Joe Lovano, Steve Gadd, Charles Neville, Bobby Watson, Esperanza Spalding, Luciana Souza, Tierney Sutton, Geri Allen, Francisco Mela, Rudresh Mahanthappa, and Matt Savage. He has played on over 80 CD and video recordings, including five CDs and two video projects as leader. Funkhouser has performed at clubs and festivals all over the world, including the Blue Note, Birdland, and Dizzy's in New York City, as well as the New Orleans Jazz Festival, Washington D.C.'s Kennedy Center, the Toulon Jazz Festival, and the Berklee Beantown Jazz Festival. He has toured extensively in North and Central America, as well as Europe, Southeast Asia, and South Africa. He has appeared on ABC's "20/20," NBC's "Today Show," and National Public Radio. He taught piano, bass, ear training and ensembles at Berklee College of Music in Boston from 2001-2021. He currently resides in Albuquerque, NM, where he keeps a busy schedule of performing and teaching.