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#### **Andrew Marzotto**

Toronto's Andrew Marzotto has been playing guitar since the age of nine. He discovered his love of jazz in high school and went on to earn his bachelor's degree at Berklee College of Music on a full scholarship.

After graduation from Berklee in 2016, Andrew returned to Toronto and has developed into a versatile and in-demand performing and session guitarist, accompanying world-class artists and vocalists such as Justin Nozuka, Joanna Majoko, Dayna Stephens and Jesse Ryan, while also appearing on a diverse collection of albums. Andrew delivers a command of the instrument with musical sensitivity.



## Joanna Majoko

Toronto-based vocalist, composer and bandleader Joanna Majoko has established a reputation for herself as one of Canada's most exciting young singers and is a regular presence on the bandstand with some of the country's top musicians.

Born to German and Zimbabwean parents, Majoko spent her childhood in Zimbabwe, and brings a rich, diverse set of influences to her performance practice. She is equally at home singing neo-soul, orchestrating a jazz standard or playing the caxixi. This year Majoko releases her debut EP, No Holding Back, an astonishing, powerful statement on her personal history, the fruitful collaborative relationships of her musical present and her vision for the future.

## Soloist - Andrew Marzotto

Andrew loves to reinterpret the gems of the American Songbook. These classics defined a golden era and provide endless inspiration for musical exploration. He strives to create a balance between these iconic melodies and his own improvisations.

His pianistic approach to guitar intertwines melodies and harmonies to fill the sonic space. Andrew's repertoire also celebrates other genres such as bossa nova, classical, R&B, and popular music.

#### **Duo - Joanna and Andrew**

Joanna and Andrew have been gracing the stages of local Toronto venues and festivals for the last three years developing their signature sound. It blends a traditional jazz repertoire with elements of soul, hip hop, and world rhythms. With songs sung in English, French, Spanish and Portuguese, their sets celebrate the lyrics and songwriting of many cultures.

The duo complements intimate events as well as larger audiences. Their dynamic selection of music combined with their sensitivity will create a memorable mood to delight all guests.

The duo has performed at Koerner Hall, Toronto Black Film Festival, Crow's Nest Theatre, Hirut Café, Kensington Market Jazz Festival, and Toronto Jazz Festival.

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