



Mondo - BlueBird flies over Bangkok skies in the name of Jazz

Dal nostro corrispondente a Bangkok - 03 mag 2022 (Prima Pagina News) BlueBird Jazz Bar in Bangkok is hosting many events and live concerts becoming day by day- a relevant point of interest in Jazz landscape in wide Thai megalopolis. Interview

with Atthasit Komindr, founder, owner and manager of Blue Bird Jazz Club.

Moving inside the heart of Bangkok, you can meet different colours, smells, foods, people. Over coloured taxis, street vendors, many 7Eleven markets, working people, tourists, monks, adults, children, students. You can find also different locations where you can get or share foods, drinks, music as pub, restaurants, live music locations too. Sukhumvit District is a kind of world inside a bigger world, it reproduces the Spirit of whole big town Bangkok and different souls moving and living in it. BlueBird Jazz Bar is one of these realities you can meet in Sukhumvit District, Khlong Tan Nuea, Watthana. Soft lights, special drinks and cocktails wide menu list, smiles as you arrive in, jazz live concerts always different with different artists and musicians coming from any corner in the World. We meet the founder and main manager of BlueBird Jazz Bar, Atthasit Komindr, a very special guy, surprising man, a mind focused on his great passion: Jazz. When BlueBird was born and what's philosophy that supports it? Three years ago, Bluebird starts from the idea that I like to drink and hangout with my friends, like as everyone, I presume. But the style of the bar came from the Jazz bars in Philadelphia and vinyl bars in Japan. The name Bluebird originates from my family first car Nissan model, Bluebird which I used while learning how to drive. In addition, the term BlueBird is linked to many things in Jazz' universe, Charlie "Bird" Parker, and his song "Blue Bird" and appears in the lyrics of many happy tunes. What's the landscape you're from? Can you describe yourself and your personal experience? I've always liked hole-in-the-wall establishments. I happened upon this location when I dropped by the building to buy a miniature Christmas tree from the second floor florist. Originally the space was more or less an abandoned kitchen but sunlight shined through the ceiling, illuminating the red brick of the main wall. That is the moment I decided the mood of the space was perfect for opening this jazz bar. In my non-Bluebird life I've been an emergency physician (ER doctor) for 10 and more years and still on it. It wasn't easy to schedule everything but I'm extremely blessed to have great super supportive colleagues at both the hospital and at BlueBird, so I'm able to balance both sides. Thanks to all family, friends and BlueBird friends. As Covid restrictions are day by day easing, do you think anything is changed after Covid wave is passing away? During the Covid period it has been not easy. We've had to close cumulatively almost one year and are most recently going through another small wave. It's like the Arcade game where you have to hit the platypus popping out of the hole. We're like the platypus: every time you get stronger and try to emerge from the hole, you're hit. You have to keep at least 4-5 times. But we have so much great support from our customers, we're very lucky.



Thanks to all of them. Are you planning news goals, what could you say to support locations' owners in BKK and Thailand to effort difficulties in managing their economic activities and lives? Bluebird may be too small to inspire big changes all at once. But we can try to change things around us, step by step, starting from the point that you can change or support some small things first, then you can progressively create bigger changes. For example, you can support diverse Jazz songs and Jazz vibes, to enhance accessibility of diverse kinds of music that are difficult to find. Bluebird's goal has always been to be a community bar, a co-creative space where you can immerse yourself in old and new tunes while comfortably sipping your favorite drink. Where you can have your own musical moment. We also support the creative community by trying to be a jazz/art/performance space. We actually added our upper level loft space to support local artists which we love to do. And we welcome artists to come exhibit or test their projects I think this is what we are, this is what Bluebird is. has

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