

RC WORLD

R&B World Jazz Funk

From China to the World

Canada's RC World presents a powerfully unique blend of R&B, world, jazz and funk music, mixing cultures, sounds, grooves, and instruments. Their dynamic performances travel from the ancient Chinese Tang court, to music of the Yao people of Southern China, to Longhouse dances of Northern Borneo, and echoes of Kenya with the island groove of the Caribbean and Pacific. Led by Chinese zheng legend Mei Han, RC World features Chinese TV's star vocalist ZiZi, Canadian extreme instrumentalist Randy Raine-Reusch, the African soul of Yoro Noukoussi, the deep bass grooves of Matt Reid, the funk of Downtown Richard Brown on drums, the soaring guitar of Cuyler Biller, and the master keys of Jonny Tobin.



From the Shanghai International Arts Festival to China's top TV shows and stages from Asia and around the globe, RC World brings a powerful new sound to the world scene.



RC World completely overwhelmed the audience - Shanghai International Arts Festival

A collision of tradition and modern, a rare musical feast! - Central Conservatory of Music, Beijing, China

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Videos

<https://youtu.be/9U4c8AwgRMA>

<https://youtu.be/BI5S0QULhW0>

https://youtu.be/R1elyHMiq_U

<https://youtu.be/3t-ejoRABKc>

Bios

Mei Han (Chinese zheng) - One of the world's premiere zheng artists, Mei Han is a groundbreaking virtuoso propelling the Chinese zheng into radical new dimensions of musical expression. A consummate performer, Han's career spans Asia, Africa, Australia, Europe, and North America, appearing with leading artists around the world in a multitude of musical genres from symphonic, chamber and New Music; to traditional and World music; and from Creative Improvisation to electronic.

ZiZi (vocals) - Beijing born, Vancouver raised, world traveled ZiZi embodies a deep mix of cultures, influences, styles, and musics. Her powerful voice, gleaming stage presence, enchanting smile, and total command of the audience are at odds with her relaxed open demeanor backstage. Taking China by storm, appearing on top national TV programs with audiences in the hundreds of millions. and has performed across the country in some of the world's largest venues.

Randy Raine-Reusch (multi-instrumentalist) - An international performer and composer working in World and experimental music for over 40 years. He has worked a wide range of artists from with rock artists Aerosmith and Yes, to Hun Huur Tu, Wu Man, Farafina, and ASZA. He has been the subject of five documentaries on music. He is known for playing a wide range of rare and unusual instruments.

Yoro Noukoussi - Born in North Benin, Africa and chief's son of the Waama people, this multi-instrumentalist singer-songwriter learned the art of storytelling and drumming from his family as they traveled the region sharing their cultural traditions. Now in Canada, Yoro is in great demand as a performer, an accomplished guitarist e has also mastered the donga (talking drum), kokomba (congas), and djembe. On stage, both solo and with his band, he is a dynamic and mesmerizing performer, drawing you in to the sights, sounds, and rhythms of West Africa. Yoro has toured Asia and Canada at festivals and concert venues.

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Matt Reid - A composer and bass player grounded in a number of genres from around the world, Matt has performed tours to Asia which included the Guangzhou Strawberry Festival and the Shanghai International Festival for the Arts. In Canada, he is in high demand as a band leader and sideman and has performed with his own groups and/ or others at Canada's 2010 Winter Olympics, the Vancouver International Jazz Festival, Vancouver Folk Festival, and the Pemberton Music Festival. As a composer for documentary film, Matt was nominated at the Park City Film Music Festival (Utah) in 2010 and 2012 for his work on the acclaimed children's documentaries 'Vy's Vietnam' (Coming Home Films Inc.) and 'Anita's Africa' (Coming Home Films Inc.) respectively.

Cuyler Biller - A virtuosic guitarist easily moving between reggae/dancehall, rap, rnb, funk, rock, pop, electronic, world and more, Cuyler has performed with numerous artists from Luciano and Nadine Sutherland to Pee Wee Ellis (James Brown, Van Morrison), David Swarbrick (Fairport Convention), He has toured through Canada, the US and Asia. Cuyler was also a live sound engineer for some of the world's top artists and bands.

Richard Brown - An acclaimed drummer based in Vancouver, BC, Richard has performed, toured and/or recorded with some of the world's most beloved artists. Including Ernest Ranglin (Jamaica), Big Sugar (Canada), Pee Wee Ellis (U.S.A), Alannah Myles (Canada), ZiZi (China), Gino Vanelli (Canada/U.S.A.), Nadine Sutherland (Jamaica), The Beach Boys (U.S.A.), Luciano (Jamaica), Dick Gaughan (Scotland), Wanting Qu (China), Dave Swarbrick (England), Broken Social Scene (Canada) and many more. Richard has toured in Asia, Europe, Norway, North America, Canada, Central America, and the Caribbean. Film credits include "Glitter" starring Mariah Carey, Soul Food TV Series, "Cover Me Canada" (CBC), "The Road Forward" by Marie Clements (NFB), and "Tony Braxton: Unbreak My Heart". Richard continues to be in demand performing with regularly in Canada and is also the co-creator and co-leader of the popular dub reggae band Mad Riddim.

Jonny Tobin - With 10 awards under his belt Jonny is one of the most sought-after keyboardists on the west coast. Known for his electric eclectic mix of jazz, funk, hip hop, R&B, gospel, and fusion he is in constant demand as a session musician and as a producer. His credits include Randy Brecker, David Ward, Warren Dean Flandez, the Hamiltones, and ZiZi. He has toured across Canada, Asia and the Caribbean, including numerous jazz festivals and awards shows. Jonny is signed with Austin Boogie Crew Records and is a guest artist on more than a dozen other artist's albums.

RC World is booked through the Red Chamber Cultural Society
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