

Rémi Bolduc

Jazz Saxophonist and Educator

Rémi Bolduc is a highly accomplished and respected jazz saxophonist and educator with over 40 years of experience in the music industry. He is an associate professor at the Schulich School of Music at McGill University in Montreal.

As a musician, Bolduc has released 11 jazz albums, featuring collaborations with notable musicians such as Kenny Werner, Marc Johnson, Ben Monder, and Jerry Bergonzi. He has also designed three saxophone models for the Expression company, which bear his name.

Bolduc's musical talent and expertise have earned him a dedicated following, with audiences captivated by his dazzling virtuosity and mature musical style. Since his arrival in Montreal in 1982, he has been highly active on the music scene, participating in numerous projects and recording several albums. He has been a member of various bands, including the Bernard Primeau Jazz Ensemble and the Vic Vogel Big Band, and has worked with saxophonists like Sayyid Abdul Al-Khabyr, Simon Stone, and Bob Mover.

One of his most notable projects is the CD "Tribute to Charlie Parker," which won the FÉLIX award for Best Jazz Album at the 2011 ADISQ. His other projects include The Random Masters, a tribute to Dave Brubeck, and Sax Zenith with PJ Perry, Phil Dwyer, Kirk MacDonald, and Kelly Jefferson. Bolduc is also recognized for his innovative contributions, such as his involvement in the creation of the Twigg Musique saxophone series.

Bolduc's dedication to his craft and impressive body of work have made him a highly regarded figure in the world of jazz. Beyond his musical achievements, he is a Yamaha Artist and D'Addario Canada Artist. He actively participates in educational initiatives and workshops, fostering the next generation of jazz musicians.

Discography:

- **2022** Les Esprits Oubliés with guest Jerry Bergonzi
- **2018** Sax Zenith: Art and Soul Productions. with guests: Phil Dwyer (Vancouver), PJ Perry (Edmonton), Kirk MacDonald and Kelly Jefferson (Toronto), Fraser Hollins on bass and Dave Laing on drums

- **2017** Swingin' with/with Oscar: Art and Soul Productions. The music of Oscar Peterson with pianist Taurey Butler.
- **2015** Tribute to Dave Brubeck: Art and Soul Productions. The music of Dave Brubeck with pianist François Bourassa
- **2013** Random Masters : Amorçage Aléatoire Les disques Effendi : Rémi Bolduc
- **2011** Hommage à Charlie Parker Les disques Effendi : Rémi Bolduc Jazz Ensemble : Three alto saxophones and rhythm section (winner of the Félix award for Jazz Album of the Year)
- **2007** 4 + 1 Les disques Effendi : Rémi Bolduc Jazz Ensemble and Jerry Bergonzi
- **2005** Côte d'écoute Les disques Effendi : Rémi Bolduc trio, saxophone, piano and cello
- **2003** TCHAT Justin Time records : Rémi Bolduc and Kenny Werner
- **2001** Renaissance Les disques Effendi : Rémi Bolduc Jazz Ensemble
- **1996** Fable Les disques du Silence : Rémi Bolduc quartet with Marc Johnson and Ben Monder

Awards and Nominations:

- **2022** Opus Awards Mention of Excellence for Concerts and Web Creations Broadcast, jazz (Rémi Bolduc and Jean-Michel Pilc)
- **2021** Opus Prize Winner: Jazz Concert of the Year (Rémi Bolduc invites Funky Princess: Chantal De Villiers)
- **2018** Opus Prize Nominee: Jazz Concert of the Year, Concert at Salle Bourgie. Le Génie de Coltrane
- **2017** Opus Prize Nomination: Jazz Concert of the Year with Jerry Bergonzi (tenor sax)
- **2016** Opus Prize Winner: Jazz Concert of the Year (Tribute to Dave Brubeck)
- **2016** Opus Award Nomination: Jazz Album of the Year (Tribute to Dave Brubeck)
- **2015** ADISQ Nomination: Tribute to Dave Brubeck, Jazz Album of the Year
- **2014** Opus Award Nomination: Sax Zenith, Jazz Concert of the Year
- **2013** ADISQ Nomination: Random Masters, Jazz Album of the Year
- **2013** Opus Award Winner: Jazz Concert of the Year (with Jerry Bergonzi and Phil Dwyer)
- **2011** Felix Award Winner: Jazz Album of the Year (Tribute to Charlie Parker)