



Jason Crane  
Host/Producer  
*The Jazz Session*

Jason Crane was born in 1973 in Lenox, Massachusetts, home of Tanglewood and former home of the famed Music Inn and the Lenox School of Jazz. His professional career has covered a lot of bases — and a lot of the world. Jason began as a full-time soprano sax player in jazz, Latin jazz and funk bands in Arizona, South Carolina and Pennsylvania. He's worked as an on-air host for KUAT (classical) and KUAZ (jazz) in Tucson; as a news announcer for Bloomberg Radio in Tokyo; and as Tokyo business correspondent for NPR's Morning Edition. Jason has also worked as a union organizer. He is currently the director of organizing in upstate New York for UNITE HERE.

From 2001-2004, Jason was station manager and jazz host at Jazz90.1 in Rochester, NY. Jason left Jazz90.1 in 2004 to spend a year at home with his first son. Jason and his wife now have two sons — Bernie and John. When he's not with them or working, he hosts *The Jazz Session*, a jazz interview show, online at [thejazzsession.com](http://thejazzsession.com) or in iTunes.

Jason has interviewed more than 200 jazz artists, including: John Abercrombie, Claudia Acuña, Ben Allison, Karrin Allyson, Billy Bang, Gene Bertoncini, Bill Bruford, Marilyn Crispell, Jack DeJohnette, Kahil El'Zabar, Wycliffe Gordon, Benny Green, Fred Hersch, Bill Holman, Charlie Hunter, Norah Jones, Joe Locke, Hugh Masekela, Les McCann, Bobby McFerrin, Kate McGarry, Ben Monder, Jane Monheit, David "Fathead" Newman, Houston Person, Sonny Rollins, Bobby Sanabria, David Sanborn, John Scofield, Tierney Sutton, David Torn, Miroslav Vitous, Cuong Vu, Bobby Watson, Jeff "Tain" Watts, Eberhard Weber, Fred Wesley, Matt Wilson, and Nancy Wilson.