



## BIO ENGLISH

**Lua Hadar** sings her own brand of **cosmopolitan jazz**, bringing songs in several languages and several styles into the jazz idiom. Instantly accessible and truly exotic, she has been molded by **cultural exchange** experiences in places as diverse as Bali, Russia, Switzerland, **Japan, Thailand**, France and Italy. Her fascination with world cultures is reflected in the sophisticated song choices for her band, **Twist**.

The mission of her band is to foster world harmony through music. This passion has most recently found its expression in the production and release of her 2012 recording project, **Like A Bridge**, which includes songs in seven languages chosen as a group for their statement about our **common humanity**. **Like A Bridge** was released to critical acclaim at Somethin' Jazz Club in New York City in April 2012. The **Like A Bridge** DVD released in September 2013 at the renowned Yoshi's Jazz Club in Oakland, CA, after its big screen debut at the historic Balboa Theater in San Francisco. It now appears as a full-length concert film on iTunes and Google Play.

Lua has also appeared with her band at The Fairmont Hotel, The Palace of the Legion of Honor, Feinstein's at the Nikko, San Francisco's Society Cabaret, The Razz Room, The Plush Room and Jazz at Pearl's, New York's Iridium Jazz Club and Cornelia Street Café, the Swan Bar in Paris, Théâtre Les Tisserands in Lille, France, and at the Bangkok International Festival of Dance and Music.

A Teaching Artist with San Francisco Opera Education and also at her own Studio NPG, Lua Hadar has instructed in world jazz standards, musical theatre, opera, cabaret, and French chanson. She speaks and can teach in four languages. In 2010 and again in 2015, she taught a Master Class for Singers on the Great American Songbook in Lille, France.

Hadar is a credentialed teacher with a B.A. in Theatre, an M.A. in Education, with studies at New York's Neighborhood Playhouse School of the Theatre, Dalcroze School of Music and at the Metropolitan Opera.

Lua has served San Francisco with a seven-year stint on the Arts Providers Alliance Executive Committee and on the Advisory Committee of the San Francisco Unified School District Arts Master Plan.

Lua's recordings appear on iTunes, Amazon, Spotify, Rhapsody, and most digital services, including Shazam.

*vivacious brand of jazz...inspired ...swinging ...cool* - Luna Kafé, Sweden

*...seductive... polished vocal phrasing... irresistible* - Blast Radio 1386, UK

*...first call band of international talent with an innate gift of swing and the ability to reinvent tunes without disrespecting the originals...incredibly intriguing hybrid... delightful world flavor...* - Brent Black, Critical Jazz