



Axis Mundi, meaning "the world tree", plays an alluring mixture of world-beat grooves combined with elements of modern and traditional jazz. This savvy quintet featuring guitar, violin, percussion, bass and drums performs a rich mixture of jazz, infused with Latin rhythms, Caribbean and Middle Eastern sounds. Dynamic music that's fresh, tasty and authentic.

Band members

Joining guitarist/composer *Glen Helgeson* are fiddle god, *Gary Schulte*; bassman extraordinaire, *Cody McKinney*; stratospheric-jazz drummer *Dave Stanoch*; and world-groove percussion master, *Michael Bissonnette*.

Quotes

"Helgeson is a technically masterful player who fuses exotic rhythms with soulful, intelligent leads."

Tad Simons, MSP St.Paul Magazine

"Mainstream jazz to worldbeat-infused exotica". **Tom Surowicz, Minneapolis Star Tribune**

"Helgeson's acoustic work comes off mysterious and textured." **LA Jazz Scene**

"An alluring mixture of world-beat, truly a signature sound that takes the world music lover on an intoxicating expedition."

Carmel DeSoto, Jazzpolice.com

"Cultural diversity in its truest sense, a tasty musical soup! Every song is a wonderful surprise and adventure."

mashmusic.tripod.com

"Sophisticated melodies and rhythms." **Edward Blanco, ejazznews**

"An entrancing, percussion-rich, whole world brew of sound." **Dan McClenaghan, All-about-jazz.com**

"Glen Helgeson is a fine jazz guitarist who backs up his playing with an infusion of world beat. Most of it hinges on Latin rhythms, but there are forays into African tribal, Caribbean and even a bit of Middle Eastern sounds."

Mite Mutant (2007), The Chickenfish speaks.com

"Outstanding guitar work backed by an excellent band," **Goings on Entertainment Guide**

"Guitar and percussion chemistry at its best," **The Western Great Lakes Entertainment Guide**

"An exceptionally talented guitarist with global sensitivity," **Jane Fredericksen, former Music Director at Cities 97**

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