

Bennett Paster- keyboardist, composer, bandleader, producer, engineer and educator-is renown in the NYC music scene as a creative and versatile musician. In a music career spanning more than three decades, Paster has toured internationally, including appearances at Umbria Jazz Festival and as part of the prestigious US State Dept. / Jazz at Lincoln Center "American Music Abroad" program. Paster is a long-standing faculty member at the Stanford Jazz Workshop at Stanford University, and was a finalist in the Great American Jazz Piano competition.

He has performed with eminent jazz and blues stars, including Wallace Roney, Keb Mo' & Kurt Elling, and has led and co-led a diverse body of his own ensembles. He has released nine albums, each showcasing his talents in composing, performing and engineering. Paster's latest album, Radiance (2023), is an exuberant expression of the jazz piano trio tradition: "Music at the Crossroads of Beauty and Groove."

In addition to being sought out as a featured artist and a sideman, Paster operates Wash n' Dry Studio, a boutique recording studio in Brooklyn, where he regularly produces albums with award-winning artists in a wide range of musical genres. melodicism ring true as his trio reinvents and carries the jazz tradition into the future.

Discography, as a leader or co-leader:

2001 Grupo Yangui Bennett Paster & Gregory Ryan 2001 The Undoing Organic! 2004 Skyline Paster, Ryan & Hall 2006 Invisible Horizon Paster, Ryan & Hall 2006 Sweets Organic! 2008 Grupo Yangui Rides Again Bennett Paster & Gregory Ryan 2012 Relentless Pursuit of the Beautiful Bennett Paster 2019 Indivisible Bennett Paster 2023 Radiance Bennett Paster