## 'CYCLE-UP' TOUR 2018

After leading the sound of Jazz fusion in Japan, Cycles of Trio are ready to share their vision of jazz with international audiences...

Formed in 2015 when Tom Southerton sought out Fukuoka's leading musicians to form his jazz-fusion trio. With the maestro pianist Tachibana Yoichi and the technically gifted Ito Kooryo on drums – Cycles of Trio are unparalleled amongst Western Japan's live jazz music scene.



The trio will perform seven live concerts at established jazz venues across the UK. The band is comprised of British and Japanese members. All compositions are original, with each member contributing to the compositions and arrangements. Performances will help audiences recognise and celebrate the artistic quality of this British and Japanese collaboration.

Cycles of Trio are also offering a masterclass - 'Approaches to Interplay' – aimed at universities and colleges as part of the tour to engage young audiences and aspiring musicians. Ito Kooryo, The band's drummer, will hold a drum clinic endorsed by Japanese drum manufacturer Canopus. The band also aims to deliver various talks and lectures during the tour.



The tour aims to raise the understanding of:

British and Japanese collaborations
The level of musicianship in Japan
Music genres being played in Japan
Music scenes outside of Tokyo
Japanese aesthetics of sound and music
Japanese musicians & the jazz community

TOUR DATES: Thu 22nd, Fri 23rd, Sat 24th, Sun 25th, Mon 26th, Tue 27th, Wed 28th