

Join Marbin for a night of jazz fusion

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BAKER CITY — Chicago-based band Marbin first released an album in 2009 and now, multiple albums and tours later, they are coming to Eastern Oregon.

"It's going to be our first time in Baker City — we're excited about that," said Dani Rabin, who plays guitar.

The show happens Tuesday, July 12, at Churchill School, 3451 Broadway St. (enter through the 16th Street parking lot).

Tickets are \$10 in advance at churchillbaker.com, or \$15 at the door. Proof of COVID vaccination or negative test is required. Admission is free for fully vaccinated youth ages 15 and younger who attend with a ticket-holding adult.



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Marbin, a jazz fusion band from Chicago, plays July 12 at Churchill School in Baker City.

ABOUT THE BAND

Marbin plays instrumental jazz fusion.

"A lot of improvisation — a combination of jazz and rock," Rabin said. "It's a rockin' show."

Band members are Rabin, Danny Markovitch (saxophone), Everette Benton Jr. (drums) and Jon Nadel (bass).

Marbin used to tour 200 to 250 days every year.

"What's typical these days?" Rabin said, referencing the return of live shows after the pandemic.

And the price of gas also affects bands like Marbin that drive to all the shows.

Their last tour was in Florida, and they played with the band Yes on a rock cruise.

"That was a lot of fun," Rabin said.

This tour brings Marbin to the Pacific Northwest — a route they cover about once every two years.

"We're playing a lot of small towns," he said. "This is your only chance for awhile."

Marbin plays all original music.

"We have a good time — we write the music that comes from our imagination," Rabin said.

And music, he said, is special.

"There's a certain power to it — the power of the arts, it changes you," he said.

ABOUT THE MUSIC

Marbin has released a string of albums: "Marbin" (2009), "Breaking the Cycle" (2011), "Last Chapter of Dreaming" (2013), "The Third Set" (2014), "Aggressive Hippies" (2015), "Goatman and the House of the Dead" (2016), "Israeli Jazz" (2018), "Strong Thing" (2019), the double album "Russian Dolls + Ten Years in the Sun" (2020), "Shreddin' at Sweetwater" (2021) and "Dirty Horse" (2022).

Find their music on Spotify and Bandcamp (marbinmusic.bandcamp.com).

Learn more about the band at www.marbinmusic.com.

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