

Mario A. Cerra

**Education**

<b>Berklee College of Music</b> , Boston, MA Bachelor of Music in Performance - <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	2007 – 2008
<b>Berklee College of Music</b> , Boston, MA Performance and Composition	1998 – 1999
<b>University of Music of Rosario</b> , Argentina Performance and Composition Studies	1995 – 1996
<b>Centro Cultural San Lorenzo</b> , Argentina Classical Guitar Diploma	1987 – 1995

**Professional development**

Private lessons with Jerry Bergonzi	2009 – 2012
Improvisation with Hal Crook	2008
Private lessons with George Garzone	2008
Private lessons with Joe Lovano	2007
Private Lessons with Ricardo Cavalli, Argentina. Woodwinds Lessons, Harmony, Jazz Improvisation, Composition.	2003 – 2006

**Discography:**

<i>Circular</i> (Pedro Cervera) Encinitas, California	2009
<i>Bufalo</i> (Esteban Sehinkman) Buenos Aires, Argentina	2007
<i>Tres</i> (Mariano Otero Orchestra) Buenos Aires, Argentina	2006
<i>Miradas de Buenos Aires</i> (Maximo Rodriguez Quintet) Buenos Aires Argentina, 2004	
<i>Hip! Hop! Pop! Bop! Through the Doo-Wop!</i> (Boston University Ensemble) Boston, MA 1999	
<i>Salsa-Merengue, Mambo, Bachata</i> (La Big Band Salsera) Rosario, Argentina 1997	
<i>Punto de Fusion</i> (Mercado Negro) Rosario, Argentina	1994

**International Festivals:**

Boston Jazz Week – Boston ,MA	2010
Montreal Jazz Festival with Berklee College Concert Jazz Orquestra and McCoy Tyner – Montreal, Canada	2008
Rivers Jazz Festival – Weston, MA	2007
Jazz in Black and White Festival – Campana, Argentina	2006
Rosario Jazz Festival – Rosario, Argentina	2006

Buenos Aires Jazz Festival – Buenos Aires, Argentina 2005  
El Bolson Jazz Festival – El Bolson, Argentina 2005

**Critically acclaimed performances:**

Songs in the key of Wonder Pine Manor College, Ellsworth Theater –  
Brookline, MA  
2010  
Sharon Performing Artists Association Concert – Sharon, MA 2009-2010??  
Herb Pomeroy Tribute Concert, Berklee Performance Center – Boston, MA 2008  
Berklee Concert Jazz Orchestra with special guest Maria Schneider –  
Boston, Ma  
2007  
Opener for Dave Holland Quintet at Coliseo Theater in  
Buenos Aires, Argentina  
2006  
Miss Uruguay Election– La Paloma, Uruguay 1996

**Tours:**

Mario Cerra Quintet, Mexico (San Jose del Cabo, Cabo San Lucas, Todos Santos,  
La Paz, Mexico City) 2011  
Mario Cerra Quintet, Central Argentina (Rosario, San Lorenzo, Cordoba, Buenos  
Aires) 2011  
Circular Quintet, Mexico (San Jose del Cabo, Cabo San Lucas, Todos Santos, La Paz,  
Mexico City) 2010  
Mariano Otero Orchestra, Central Argentina (Buenos Aires, Campana, Rosario,  
Cordoba) 2006  
Maximo Rodriguez Quintet, South of Argentina (Bariloche, El Bolson, General Roca,  
Bahia Blanca) 2005  
Nora Pandol, Uruguay (Montevideo, Maldonado, Punta del Este, La Paloma) 1996  
Nora Pandol, Uruguay (Montevideo, Maldonado, Punta del Este, La Paloma) 1995

**Recording:**

**Recording Artist** 2003 – 2009  
Professional Recordings of Film and TV advertisements  
TV and radio concerts  
  
Soundtrack of the Argentinean movie “Bañeros 3” 2006  
  
2008 – 2012 CD’s, Film (Boston, MA)  
2004 – 2007 CD’s, Film, T.V. & Advertisement (Buenos Aires, Argentina)  
2000 – 2004 Music Theater, Musical Director (Royal Caribbean Intl. Cruise Lines)  
1996,1997 CD’s, Film T.V. & Advertisement (Rosario, Argentina)

**Awards:**

Brookline Music School Faculty Development Grant	2011
Woodwind Department Achievement Award, Berklee College of Music	2008
CD Tres (Mariano Otero Orchestra) nomination for the Gardel Music Awards as Best Jazz Album	2007
CD Tres (Mariano Otero Orchestra) nomination for the Gardel Music Awards for Best Interpretation of the Year	2007
CD Tres (Mariano Otero Orchestra) nomination for the Gardel Music Awards as Best Album of the year	2007
CD of the Month (Tres, Mariano Otero Orchestra) Issued by music critic publication Radiomontaje (Buenos Aires, Argentina)	2006
Joseph Viola Scholarship, Berklee College of Music	1999

**Royal Caribbean International Cruise Lines Inc:**

Woodwind Peformer and Musical Director	2000 – 2004
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**Teaching and Academic Experience:**

<i>Making Music Matters! Program</i> , Boston, MA <b>Saxophone, Flute and Clarinet Instructor</b>	2009 – Present
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<i>Brookwood School</i> , Manchester MA <b>Saxophone, Flute and Clarinet Instructor</b>	2009 – 2011
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<i>Brookline Music School</i> , Brookline, MA Individual <b>Saxophone, Flute and Clarinet</b> lessons to children aged 8 to 16 and organizes recitals	2008 – Present
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<i>Sharon Music Academy</i> , Sharon, MA <b>Saxophone, Flute and Clarinet Instructor.</b> Offers individual lessons to children aged 8 to 15 and organizes recitals	2008 – Present
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<b>Private Saxophone, Flute and Clarinet Instructor</b> , Boston, MA Offers individual lessons to students of all ages and levels	2008 – Present
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<b>Chairman’s Academic and Administrative Assistant</b> <i>Woodwind Dept. Berklee College of Music</i> , Boston, MA	2007 – 2008
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<b>Guest Artist in Residence – Visitor Teacher</b> Music Lessons and Master Classes taught at several music schools and universities, Argentina	2004 – 2007
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<b>Private Saxophone, Flute and Clarinet Instructor</b> , Buenos Aires, Argentina	2004 – 2007
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