Brothers of the Baladi

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Brothers of the Baladi is a Grammy-Nominated Middle

Eastern / World Music band with a unique style and sound that ranges from traditional acoustic to a rockin' groove that audiences love. The Portland, Oregon, USA quartet features:

- Traditional Middle Eastern instruments (acoustic and electric Oud and Saz, Mizmar, Midjwiz, Def, Riq, Davul, and Doumbek) fueled with Guitar, Bass, and Drums for a unique sound that crosses borders and bridges cultures
- Vocals in eight languages: Arabic, Turkish, Farsi, French, Spanish, Berber, Armenian, and English
- Exotic rhythms and sounds blended seamlessly with familiar grooves, making their music highly accessible to all audiences
- Traditional Middle Eastern songs, well chosen "Baladized" cover songs, and unique original material
- Middle Eastern/World Music and Drumming Workshops for all levels

Brothers of the Baladi are perfect for Festivals, Fairs, Colleges and Universities, Concerts, Performing Arts events, Multi-Cultural Programs, and other Special Events

Their 11 CDs are distributed exclusively in retail outlets by Burnside Distribution and are available on both Amazon and iTunes. Email booking@baladi.com to request a CD!

What people say about Brothers of the Baladi:

"A sound that knows no borders" — LA Times

"Infectiously danceable..." — Artvoice, Buffalo, New York

- "Brothers of the Baladi mix the insistent beat of Middle Eastern Music with equal parts Rock and Roll." — Monterey Herald, Monterey, California
- "....Brothers of the Baladi play music that makes regular guys loosen their ties and dance on the tables." — *The Oregonian, Portland, Oregon*
- "People were dancing in a well lit public place and that never happens. Bottom line they make you move." — Watermargin Cooperative / Program Board, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

"Exciting, Educational, Sensational... everyone danced..." - ASMSU Montana State University, Bozeman, MT

"The Brothers of the Baladi put on a great show. The talented and personable ensemble had everybody dancing, including the kids, and the music was worldly, energetic, and inspiring."

— Brian Hurlbut Arts Council of Big Sky Big Sky, MT

"Brothers of the Baladi are the 'real deal' - a fresh take on an ancient idea." — Diane Gordon, The Beat Magazine