

Lani T.

Jazz R&B Blues



Bio

Leilani Tecson-Pierson

Leilani “Lani T” Tecson-Pierson is a singer and pianist interested in popular jazz, old-school R&B, modern blues, and original Motown style.

Lani recently moved to O’ahu, and she currently plays at various venues with various accompaniment, including full bands, small groups, and solo.

Lani is from the Pampanga area of Philippines. She has performed in public since age sixteen, beginning with a locally popular family band. Her three older sisters are also accomplished singers who also play various instruments, and her father Rudy Tecson is a drummer who led his own band, The Sandmen, on tours across Asia-Pacific.

Lani has an M.A. in Teaching and a Bachelor’s degree in Education, with major in Music. While attending college, Lani competed in track and field 100m hurdles at the Philippines national level.

Previous to landing in O’ahu, Lani performed in Hong Kong and Shanghai. Lani has also held positions as Head of Music at two international schools, in total almost ten years of international school teaching experience. In Hong Kong, Lani was a protégé of the accomplished Bobby Taylor, a vocalist with a significant background with Michael Jackson and Motown production, vocal coaching, and songwriting.

Lani’s signature songs are Gladys Knight’s “Midnight Train” and Ray Charles’ “Georgia”. Lani’s husky, powerful voice has a unique character. Her solo performances channel the work of Norah Jones and Amy Winehouse.

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