

Opinion

A 'superb' concert

The U.S. and Spain were never closer than witnessed by a packed-house at the Carriage House Cafe on Feb. 25. That was the night that the Atlantic Bridge, a jazz sextet from Spain and the United States performed. The gig was put together by Ithacan Steve Brown, the finest

jazz guitarist in these parts (and possibly Spain). He was joined by Mr. Excitement, Walter White, another Ithacan, on trumpet/flugelhorn, as the U.S. contingent. Coming the 4,000-plus miles from Spain were Roberto Somoza, a master on three saxophones; Alberto Conde, an intense pianist; the always-smiling bassist, Kim Garcia, who laid down a fine background rhythm; and drummer Miguel Cabana, who kicked the band superbly from the background. The two-hour show consisted of original compositions by members of the band, including the Atlantic Bridge theme written by White. This superb concert is just another example of why Ithaca is such a pleasurable city to call home.

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