

My name is **HUW LEWIS**

I am a British pianist/guitarist/singer/entertainer based in St. Moritz. available either for events, one-off evenings or regular musical employment. I am resident in Switzerland and have a B work permit

I have been involved for over twenty years in the entertainment business as a solo player, formerly in apres ski bars and holiday resorts, then in more recent years concentrating on performing in the more upbeat deluxe hotel piano bars such as the Dolder Grand, the Widder Bar in Zurich, the Schweizerhof in St. Moritz, the Post in Zermatt, the Barmes de l'Ourse in Val d'Isere and the Hotel Europe in Davos. However changes in my home life (married four years ago and with a three year old little girl) mean that I am not so available for longer residential contracts away from the Engadine.

As an event or single night entertainer I can offer a comprehensive entertainment package;

FULLY EQUIPPED

*Professional Sound Systems (Martin Audio-Crest Audio) for up to 300 people (3KW RMS) with a vast personal experience of installation and operation.

*Access to sound systems for client's speeches, background music, presentations or DJs

*My own keyboards and guitars, although I am always happy to play a piano if available at the venue, or to organise a rental piano

*Wireless microphones as needed
*CD player with some background music (although I do not sell myself as a DJ)
*Lighting rigs for musician and dance floor

FLEXIBLE PERFORMER AND REPERTOIRE

Large and varied repertoire, constantly evolving with around a thousand songs;

*Acoustic Guitar; Pop, Country and Folk (Beatles, Beach Boys, Jon Denver, Janis Joplin, Cat Stevens, Simon and Garfunkle, Milo...)

*Piano; Evergreens, Jazz, Swing and Blues (Sinatra, Ray Charles, Michael Buble....)

*Keyboards; Rock and Roll, Disco, and Soul (Elvis, Abba, Cool and the Gang, Blues Brothers, Rolling Stones, Coldplay...) I also play blues harp solos with one hand still playing the piano.

*Anything Else; I am always happy to learn specific songs for special events

Most of my repertoire is in English with a few songs in French, Italian and German, I am happy to learn a specially requested song in any language (within reason, and tolerating a very bad accent!) I am a fluent English and French speaker with a little German and Italian.

For larger events I can also provide formations of two to five musicians based around my performance (adding guitar, sax, drums etc)

REALLY LIVE MUSIC

I can produce a wide range of feel and sounds to fit the various needs of any occasion by either just playing acoustic instruments or by playing bass on a keyboard with my left hand and using pedals to operate a drum beat, I produce

a very full sound without having to "cheat" and use backing tracks or an "arranger" keyboard (one that plays by itself) This is very much appreciated by my audiences and gives a genuine live feel to my performances. Clients are becoming much more aware and intolerant of "fake" musicians using backing tracks or keyboards that play automatically. Every single note heard during my performances is played and sung live.

100 PERCENT RELIABILITY

From the hundreds of events in which I have been involved over the years I have never been absent, late or unable to play for any reason whatever. I have reliable 4x4 transport and a thoroughly responsible attitude, I will go to any lengths to guarantee that my performance will take place. I take great care to present myself as perfectly as possible and in keeping with the wishes of the clients. I do not drink alcohol when working. As I am based in St Moritz I have no expenses and need no accommodation when playing in the locality.

COMMITMENT

I am totally dedicated to making the event at which I perform as big a success as possible. I am not interested in promoting myself or my own songs - I play for the clients, what they want to hear and at the volume they would like to hear it! I have a natural feeling for producing the right music to create the right mood at the right time. Everything and anything I can do for the clients or guests I will try to do.

PIANO BAR PERFORMER

I have many years of experience as a residential Hotel Piano-Entertainer from some of the best references in Europe (I currently play 2-3 months every year at the Dolder Grand in Zurich for example) I generally work with **The Music Connection** in Zurich (musicon@bluewin.ch) as a booking agent for this type of employment.

TALENT

I am a naturally talented musician through and through, music is my life and my performances mean everything to me, I have spent years working on and perfecting my instrument and vocal techniques - the results are there to see and hear.

Please check out my web site www.huwlewis.com for demo songs and video of me performing live to see what I do. I have a large following on social media, contacts that I am willing to share with employers for their publicity. I am always available to arrange a meeting to discuss any of this further, or to give details of my schedule where I can be seen performing.

Looking forward to hearing from you and the possibilities of working together in the future

Huw Lewis