

ALBUMS OF THE YEAR

AROOJ AFTAB/VIJAY IYER/SHAHZAD ISMAILY – *Love In Exile* (Verve)
BREW (MIYA MASAOKA/REGGIE WORKMAN/ GERRY HEMINGWAY) – *Heat & Between Reflections* (Clean Feed)
JOE LOVANO TRIO TAPESTRY – *Our Daily Bread* (ECM)
JOHN BUTCHER/MARJOLAINE CHARBIN/ UTE KANNGIESSER/EDDIE PRÉVOST – *The Art of Noticing* (Matchless)
JOHN ZORN – *New Masada Quartet, Vol. 2* (Tzadik)
JON-ERIK KELLSO AND THE EAREGULARS – *Live at The Ear Inn* (Arbors)
KENNY BARRON – *The Source* (Artwork)
NITE BJUTI (VAL JEANTY/CANDICE HOYES/ MIMI JONES) – *Nite Bjuti* (Whirlwind)
SATOKO FUJII/OTOMO YOSHIIHIDE – *Perpetual Motion* (Ayler)
TONY ALLEN/ADRIAN YOUNGE – *JID018* (Jazz Is Dead)
– *Laurence Donohue-Greene* (Managing Editor)

MUSICIANS OF THE YEAR

HENRY THREADGILL (alto/flute/composer)
JASON MORAN (piano)
KRIS DAVIS (piano)
RON CARTER (bass)
SAMARA JOY (vocals)

UP-AND-COMERS OF THE YEAR

IZUMI KIMURA (piano)
MARTA WARELIS (piano)
MELANIE CHARLES (vocals/flute)
MICAH THOMAS (piano)
SIMON MOULLIER (vibraphone)

VENUES OF THE YEAR

THE JAZZ GALLERY (jazzgallery.org)
ROULETTE (roulette.org)
SISTAS’ PLACE (sistasplace.org)
THE STONE AT THE NEW SCHOOL (thestonenyc.com)
VILLAGE VANGUARD (villagevanguard.com)

LABELS OF THE YEAR

CLEAN FEED (cleanfeed-records.com)
INTAKT (intaktrec.ch)
PI RECORDINGS (pirecordings.com)
PYROCLASTIC (pyroclasticrecords.com)
RELATIVE PITCH (relativepitchrecords.bandcamp.com)

CONCERTS OF THE YEAR

AMIR ELSAFFAR’S TWO RIVERS ENSEMBLE
Hamid Al-Saadi, Ole Mathisen, Carlo DeRosa, Nasheet Waits, Tareq Abboushi, Zafar Tawil
April 2, Drom
MARILYN CRISPELL/MARK DRESSER/ GERRY HEMINGWAY: “PLAYS ANTHONY BRAXTON”
July 1, The Stone at the New School
ARTHUR VERROCAI WITH ORCHESTRA
August 11, Damrosch Park
(Jazz Is Dead/Lincoln Center’s Summer For The City)
– *Tom Greenland* (NY@Night)
RENEE ROSNES QUARTET
Steve Nelson, Peter Washington, Lewis Nash
March 5, Smoke
KURT ELLING AND THE VANGUARD JAZZ ORCHESTRA
June 6, Village Vanguard
LIZZIE THOMAS
Wayne Escoffery, Roni Ben-Hur, Noriko Ueda, Neal Smith
Sep. 8, Arlo NoMad Room
– *Marilyn Lester* (NY@Night)

SAMARA JOY
Luther Allison, Mikey Migliore, Evan Sherman
January 16, Le Poisson Rouge (Winter JazzFest)

JASON MORAN BANDWAGON FEAT. AMBROSE AKINMUSIRE
Tarus Mateen, Nasheet Waits
Sep. 9, Louis Armstrong Center

CÉCILE MCLORIN SALVANT
Sullivan Fortner, Yasushi Nakamura, Kyle Poole
October 5, Village Vanguard
– *Kyla Marshall* (NY@Night)

JASON MORAN & THE BIG BANDWAGON: “JAMES REESE EUROPE AND THE HARLEM HELLFIGHTERS”
August 18, Marcus Garvey Park
(CityParks SummerStage/Jazzmobile)

SAMARA JOY
Jason Charles, David Mason, Kendric McCallister, Donovan Austin, Connor Rohrer, Mikey Migliore, Evan Sherman
October 7, Jazz at Lincoln Center’s Rose Theater

MAMBO LEGENDS ORCHESTRA: “MAMBO DIABLO - HONORING TITO PUENTE”
Ronnie Puente, Tito Puente, Jr., Jeremy Bosch, Lucrecia, Yolanda Duke, Carlos Henríquez, Jimmy Delgado, Louis Bauzó, Ray Vega, Humberto Ramírez
November 11, Hostos Center for the Arts & Culture
– *Russ Musto* (NY@Night)

BRANFORD MARSALIS QUARTET
Joey Calderazzo, Eric Revis, Justin Faulkner
Jan. 26, 92NY

JD ALLEN QUARTET
Charlie Hunter, Gregg August, Rudy Royston
Apr. 13, Dizzy’s Club

BILL FRISSELL FOUR
Greg Tardy, Gerald Clayton, Johnathan Blake
Aug. 8, Village Vanguard
– *Keith Hoffman* (Event Calendar Mgr.)

KAHIL EL’ZABAR ETHNIC HERITAGE ENSEMBLE
Alex Harding, Corey Wilkes
February 11, Sistas’ Place

JD ALLEN QUARTET
Charlie Hunter, Gregg August, Rudy Royston
April 14, Dizzy’s Club

JAKOB BRO/JOE LOVANO: “ONCE AROUND THE ROOM”
Larry Grenadier, Thomas Morgan, Anders Christensen, Jorge Rossy, Joey Baron
May 25, Village Vanguard

JOËLLE LÉANDRE: “VISION LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT”
Tiger Trio (Léandre/Myra Melford/Nicole Mitchell); Léandre/Fred Moten; Léandre with Craig Taborn, Mat Maneri; Léandre Septet with Ingrid Laubrock, Steve Swell, Mat Maneri, Jason Kao Huang, Fred Lonberg-Holm, Joe Morris
June 13, Roulette (Vision Festival)

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August 18, Marcus Garvey Park
(CityParks SummerStage/Jazzmobile)

JOE LOVANO TRIO TAPESTRY
Marilyn Crispell, Carmen Castaldi
August 26, Village Vanguard

NDUDUZO MAKHATHINI TRIO
Zwelakhe-Duma Bell le Pere, Francisco Mela
August 26, Marcus Garvey Park
(CityParks Charlie Parker Jazz Festival)

MELISSA ALDANA/LINDA MAY HAN OH
August 26, The Stone at New School

JASON MORAN BANDWAGON FEAT. AMBROSE AKINMUSIRE
Tarus Mateen, Nasheet Waits
Sep. 9, Louis Armstrong Center

JOHN ZORN “PLAYS HARRY SMITH”
Ikue Mori, Jorge Roeder, Kenny Grohowski
Oct. 21, Whitney Museum
– *Laurence Donohue-Greene* (Managing Editor)

UNEARTHED GEMS

AHMAD JAMAL – *Emerald City Nights: Live at the Penthouse* (1966-1968) (Jazz Detective)
DONALD BYRD & BOBBY JASPAR – *Paris/Cannes ‘58* (Sam/INA)
FRED ANDERSON QUARTET – *The Milwaukee Tapes, Vol.2* (Corbett vs. Dempsey)
JOHN COLTRANE WITH ERIC DOLPHY – *Evenings at the Village Gate* (Impulse!)
NINA SIMONE – *You’ve Got To Learn* (Verve)

LATIN RELEASES

ANTONIO LIZANA/EMILIO SOLLA – *El Siempre Mar* (Tiger Turn)
AVISHAI COHEN/ABRAHAM RODRIGUEZ, JR. – *IROKO* (Naïve/Believe)
AYMÉE NUVIOLA FEAT. KEMUEL ROIG – *Havana Nocturne* (Worldwide)
RACHEL THERRIEN LATIN JAZZ PROIECT – *Mi Hogar* (Outside In Music)
SANTIAGO BIG BAND (FEATURING MARCOS FERNÁNDEZ) & AFRO LATIN JAZZ ORCHESTRA (FEATURING ARTURO O’FARRILL) – *Santiago Brooklyn Santiago* (ZOH0)

VOCAL RELEASES

AROOJ AFTAB/VIJAY IYER/SHAHZAD ISMAILY – *Love In Exile* (Verve)
CHAMPIAN FULTON – *Meet Me At Birdland* (s/r)
CHRISTINE CORREA – *Just Stand and Listen With Me* (Sunnyside)
NITE BJUTI (VAL JEANTY/CANDICE HOYES/ MIMI JONES) – *Nite Bjuti* (Whirlwind)
SCOTT CLARK – *Dawn & Dusk* [with Laura Ann Singh] (Out Of Your Head)

LARGE ENSEMBLE RELEASES

ANGELICA SANCHEZ NONET – *Nighttime Creatures* (Pyroclastic)
DARCY JAMES ARGUE’S SECRET SOCIETY – *Dynamic Maximum Tension* (Nonesuch)
JOHAN LINDSTRÖM – *Johan Lindström & Norbotten Big Band* (Moserobie)
SANTIAGO BIG BAND (FEATURING MARCOS FERNÁNDEZ) & AFRO LATIN JAZZ ORCHESTRA (FEATURING ARTURO O’FARRILL) – *Santiago Brooklyn Santiago* (ZOH0)
STEVE LEHMAN ORCHÊSTRE NATIONAL DE JAZZ – *Ex Machina* (Pi Recordings)

TRIBUTES

CHRISTINE CORREA – *Just Stand and Listen With Me* (Sunnyside)
GREGORY LEWIS – *Organ Monk Going Home* (Sunnyside)
JAMES BRANDON LEWIS RED LILY QUINTET – *For Mahalia, With Love* (TAO Forms)
JASON MORAN – *From The Dancehall to the Battlefield* (A meditation on the life and legacy of James Reese Europe) (Yes)
SYLVIE COURVOISIER/CORY SMYTHE – *The Rite of Spring – Spectre d’un songe* (Pyroclastic)

DEBUTS

ANTHONY HERVEY – *Words from My Horn* (Outside In Music)
ENDEA OWENS AND THE COOKOUT – *Feel Good Music* (BassBae Music)
HEIN WESTGAARD TRIO – *First as Farce* (Nice Things)
LUKAS TRAXEL – *One-Eyed Daruma* (We Jazz)
VICENTE ARCHER – *Short Stories* (Cellar Music)

REISSUES

AMINA CLAUDINE MYERS – *Song For Mother E* (Leo)
BAIKIDA E.J. CARROLL – *Orange Fish Tears* (Souffle Continu-Palm)
CHARLIE PARKER/DIZZY GILLESPIE/BUD POWELL/ CHARLES MINGUS/MAX ROACH – *Hot House: The Complete Jazz at Massey Hall Recordings* (Debut-Craft Recordings)
PHAROAH SANDERS – *Pharaoh* (India Navigation-Luaka Bop)
WES MONTGOMERY – *The Complete Full House Recordings* (Riverside-Craft Recordings)

SOLO RECORDINGS

ANDREW CYRILLE – *Music Delivery/Percussion* (Intakt)
BRANDON LÓPEZ – *vileovileovileovileovileovile* (Relative Pitch)
DENNY ZEITLIN – *Crazy Rhythm: Exploring George Gershwin* (Solo Piano) (Sunnyside)
KENNY BARRON – *The Source* (Artwork)
SATOKO FUJII – *Torrent* (Piano Solo) (Libra)

ORIGINAL ALBUM ARTWORK *SEE PG. 28

FLY OR DIE – *Fly or Die Fly or Die Fly or Die* ((world war)) (International Anthem)
IDRIS ACKAMOR & THE PYRAMIDS – *Afro Futuristic Dreams* (Strut)
KATE GENTILE/INTERNATIONAL CONTEMPORARY ENSEMBLE – *biome i.i* (Obliquity)
M.E.B. (MILES ELECTRIC BAND) – *That You Not Dare To Forget* (Legacy)
NOSAX NOCLAR – *No Dâhiss* (YOLK Music)

LIVE ALBUMS

CHAMPIAN FULTON – *Meet Me At Birdland* (s/r)
DAVE LIEBMAN – *Live at Smalls* (Cellar Music)
DENNY ZEITLIN – *Crazy Rhythm: Exploring George Gershwin* (Solo Piano) (Sunnyside)
JON-ERIK KELLSO AND THE EAREGULARS – *Live at The Ear Inn* (Arbors)
KRIS DAVIS DIATOM RIBBONS – *Live at the Village Vanguard* (Pyroclastic)

BOXED SETS

ALAN SKIDMORE – *A Supreme Love* (Confront)
BENGT “FRIPPE” NORDSTRÖM – *Vinyl Box* (NI VU NI CONNU)
CHARLES MINGUS – *Mingus Takes Manhattan: The Complete Birdland Dates* (1961-1962) (No Land)
DON BYAS – *Classic Don Byas Sessions 1944-1946* (Mosaic)
PHAROAH SANDERS – *Pharaoh* (Luaka Bop)

JAZZ BOOKS

Easily Slip Into Another World: A Life In Music
Henry Threadgill and Brent Hayes Edwards (Knopf-Penguin Random House)
Gentleman of Jazz: A Life in Music
Ramsey Lewis (with Aaron Cohen) (Black Stone Publishing)
Milford Graves: A Mind-Body Deal
Anthony Elms, Celeste DiNucci, Mark Christman (Inventory Press/ Ars Nova Workshop)
Rhythm Man: Chick Webb and the Beat that Changed America
Stephanie Stein Crease (Oxford University Press)
The Williamsburg Avant Garde: Experimental Music and Sound on the Brooklyn Waterfront
Cisco Bradley (Duke University Press)

HONORABLE MENTIONS—NEW RELEASES

.omawi (Marta Warelis/Onno Govaert/Wilbert de Joodde) - *Waive* (Relative Pitch) • Alexander Hawkins Trio - *Carnival Celestial* (Intakt) • Alister Spence/Tony Buck - *Mythographer* (Alister Spence Music) • Angelika Niescier/Tomeka Reid/Savannah Harris - *Beyond Dragons* (Intakt) • Anna Webber - *Shimmer Wince* (Intakt) • Antti Lötjönen Quintet East - *Circus/Citadel* (We Jazz)
Art Ensemble of Chicago - *The Sixth Decade: From Paris to Paris* (RogueArt) • ARTEMIS - *In Real Time* (Blue Note) • Arturo O’Farrill - *Legacies* (Blue Note) • Berghäll Brothers Big Band - *Vol.II* (Boulder Music Helsinki) • BlankFor.ms/Jason Moran/Marcus Gilmore - *Refract* (Red Hook) • Bo van de Graaf - *Shinjuku* (icdisc)
Bobo Stenson Trio - *Sphere* (ECM) • Brad Mehldau - *Your Mother Should Know: Brad Mehldau Plays The Beatles* (Nonesuch) • Bruno Råberg - *Look Inside* (Solo Bass) (Orbis Music) • Daniel Bingert - *Ariba* (Moserobie) • Daunik Lazzo/Benjamin Duboc/Mathieu Bec - *Standards Combustion* (Dark Tree) • Dave Rempis/Elizabeth Harnik/Fred Lonberg-Holm/Tim Daisy - *Earscratcher* (Aerophonic)
Dave Scott - *Song For Alice* (SteepleChase) • David Ake - *Green Thumb* (Posi-Tone) • David Mirarchi - *Ink Folly, Orchid Gleam* (Unbroken Sounds) • Denman Maroney/Scott Walton/Denis Fournier - *O Kosmos Meta* (RogueArt) • Devin Gray - *Most Definitely* (Rataplan) • East Axis - *No Subject* (Mack Avenue Music-Brother Mister Productions)
Elisabeth Harnik/Zlatko Kaucić - *One Foot In The Air* (Not Two) • Ernst Bier/Gunnar Geisse/Ignaz Schick - *Hawking Extended* (Zarek) • Eva Novoa - *Novoa/Kamaguchi/Cleaver Trio Vol.1* (577 Records) • Fink 70s Revisited - *Sound of Music* (Jazzwerkstatt) • Fly or Die - *Fly or Die Fly or Die Fly or Die* ((world war)) (International Anthem) • François Houle Genera Sextet - *In Memoriam* (Clean Feed)
George Freeman - *The Good Life* (HighNote) • Harold Danko - *Trillium* (SteepleChase) • Harry Allen Orchestra - *With Roses* (Triangle 7) • Hedvig Mollestad Weejuns - *Weejuns* (Rune Grammofon) • Henry Threadgill Ensemble - *The Other One* (Pi Recordings) • Hitomi Oba - *Water Stem* (Asian Improv) • Idris Ackamoor & The Pyramids - *Afro Futuristic Dreams* (Strut)
Imogen Ryall - *Sings The Charles Mingus/Joni Mitchell Songbooks* (Rubicon Jazz) • Ingrid Laubrock - *The Last Quiet Place* (Pyroclastic) • Irreversible Entanglements - *Protect Your Light* (Impulse!) • Ivo Perelman/Dave Burrell/Bobby Kapp - *Trichotomy* (Mahakala Music) • Ivo Perelman/Ray Anderson/Joe Morris/Reggie Nicholson - *Molten Gold* (Fundacja Sluchaj)
Izumi Kimura/Artur Majewski/Barry Guy/Ramon Lopez - *Kind of Shadow* (Fundacja Sluchaj) • James Brandon Lewis - *Eye Of I* (ANTI-Records) • Jamie Breiwick - *Awake: Volume 2* (The Music on Don Cherry) (Shifting Paradigm) • Jane Ira Bloom/Mark Helias/Bobby Previte - 2.3.23 (Radio Legs Music/Rank Hypocri\$y) • Jason Adasiewicz - *Roy’s World* (Corbett vs. Dempsey)
JD Allen - *THIS* (Savant) • Jeff Coffin - *Look For Water* (Ear Up) • Jeff Coffin/Jordan Perlson/Viktor Krauss - *Coffin/Perlson/Krauss* (Ear Up) • Jo Lawry - *Acrobats* (Whirlwind) • Joe Chambers - *Dance Kobina* (Blue Note) • Johannes Näsτές/Sten Sandell - *Duo akt I-VII* (Konvoj) • Josh Lawrence - *And That Too* (Posi-Tone) • Kasper Tranberg - *Nobody’s Heart* (April)
Kate Gentile/International Contemporary Ensemble - *biome i.i* (Obliquity) • Kevin Sun - *The Depths of Memory* (Endectomorph) • Kresten Osgood/Bob Moses/Tisziji Muñoz - *Spiritual Drum Kingship* (Gotta Let It Out) • Lauren Henderson - *Conjuring* (Brontosaurus) • Libby York - *DreamLand* (OA2) • Lina Allemano - *Canons* (Lumo) • Loren Stillman - *Time and Again* (Sunnyside)
Margaux Oswald/Jesper Zeuthen - *Magnette* (Clean Feed) • Mark De Clive-Lowe/Shigeto/Melanie Charles - *Hotel San Claudio* (Soul Bank Music) • Mark Dresser - *Times of Change* (Pyroclastic) • Matana Roberts - *Coin Coin Chapter Five: In the garden...* (Constellation) • Matthew Shipp - *The Intrinsic Nature of Shipp* (Mahakala Music) • Mendoza Hoff Revels - *Echolocation* (AUM Fidelity)
Michael Bisio/Timothy Hill - *Inside Voice/Outside Voice* (Origin) • Michael Blake - *Dance of the Mystic Bliss* (P&M) • Michael Formanek Elusion Quartet - *As Things Do* (Intakt) • Michel Pilz/Reiner Winterschlader/Frank Paul Schubert/Christian Ramond/Klaus Kugel - *Yamabiko Quintet* (Nemu) • Miguel Zenón/Dan Tepfer - *Internal Melodies* (Main Door Music)
Mike Clark - *Kosen Rofu* (Wide Hive) • Mike Nock - *Hearing* (ABC) • Naïssam Jalal - *Healing Rituals* (Les Couleurs du Son) • Orhan Demir - *Freedom In Jazz, Vol. 3* (Hittite) • Paul Dunnmall - *Bright Light A Joyous Celebration* (Discus Music) • Phil Ranelin/Wendell Harrison - *JID016* (Jazz Is Dead) • Phil Slater - *Immersion Lure* (s/r)
Phillip Johnston and the Greasy Chicken Orchestra - *I Cakewalked with a Zombie* (Earshift Music) • Ralph Alessi Quartet - *It’s Always Now* (ECM) • Ray Anderson/Bobby Previte - *Double Trouble* (Challenge-Doublemoon) • Rodrigo Amado - *The Bridge* (Trost) • Russ Johnson Quartet - *Reveal* (Calligram) • Russ Lossing & King Vulture - *Alternate Side Parking Music* (Aqua Piazza)
Sam Newsome/Dave Liebman - *Soprano-Logues* (Some New Music) • Samuel Blaser/Michael Bates - *Book Nine* (Blaser Music) • Simon Moullier Trio - *Inception* (Fresh Sound New Talent) • Sullivan Fortner - *Don’t You Worry About A Thing* (Artwork) • Sylvie Courvoisier - *Chinadera* (Intakt) • Taiko Saito/Jan Roder/Michael Griener - *Wald* (Trouble in the East)
The Necks - *Travel* (Northern Spy) • Thomas Heberer/Joe Fonda/Joe Hertenstein - *Remedy II* (Fundacja Sluchaj) • Tomas Fujiwara’s 7 Poets Trio - *Pith* (Out Of Your Head) • Tony Buck/Mark Nauseef - *Mongrels* (Relative Pitch) • Trance Map+ - *Etching The Ether* (Intakt) • Tyshawn Sorey Trio - *Continuing* (Pi Recordings) • Zoh Amba - *O Life, O Light: Vol. 2* (577 Records)