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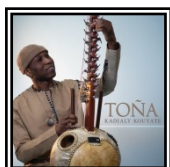


Al Bilali Soudan: Chez Aballou (out on June 20th, 2025)

CLECD 78 / 0769165889645 / label: Clermont Music / format: CD / Mali – Touareg

CLELP 78 / 0769165889652 / label: Clermont Music / format: LP / Mali – Touareg

Sparkling by passion, and experience generate an improvisational tour de force melding tradition, rhythm and scale. From Tombouctou Mali, these bravura players have performed together for generations. Pairing blazing strings with insistent percussion, Al Bilali Soudans cultural roots represent the source of trance desert blues.



Kadiyaly Kouyate: Tona (out on June 27th, 2025)

EUCD 2977 / 5019396297722 / label: ARC Music / format: CD / Senegal – Popular

Kadiyaly Kouyates mesmerizing kora skills are deeply rooted in his ancestral lineage of Kouyate griots. For this project, Kadiyaly brought together world music artists he had long admired, such as Davide Mantovani, Josh Middleton and Mina Mikhael Salama, alongside talented musicians he had previously collaborated with, including Mamadou Sarr, Abdoulaye Samb and Al MacSween.



Grecia Alban: Nubes Selva

FOLKCD 4 / 0860010636367 / label: Folkalist Records / format: CD / Ecuador – Popular

Musical traditions are disputed territories. For some artists, respecting and celebrating tradition means staying close to the sound that was. For Ecuadorian singer and songwriter Grecia Alban, honoring tradition means nurturing it by embracing change. Alban sings over a canvas of reimagined folkloric rhythms. Its a sound built in layers - voices, drums, guitars, horns, synthesizers, and samples.



Aurora Moreno: La Cancion Desvelada

YOUKALI 238 / 9502375126558 / label: Youkali Music / format: CD / Spain – Flamenco-Pop

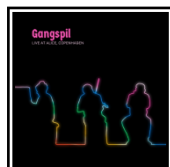
This new album by Aurora Moreno brings together twelve songs of a careful selection of poems by Federico García Lorca, San Juan de la Cruz, Pao Tchao, Miguel Hernandez, Elena Martín Vivaldi, Antonio Carvajal, Antonio Mata, Javier Egea, Angeles Mora and Luis García Montero, who are central to the singer's professional life, and who, due to their origin or creative trajectory, are mostly linked to Granada.



Zenobia: Arsvaerk

GO 124 / 5705934005682 / label: Go'Danish / format: CD / Denmark – Folk

The music moves through the early, dusty spring and on to May, the Summer, Autumn and then winter and Christmas are sung, and finally another new year awaits, welcomed in song. The three of musicians have played together in Zenobia for most of their adult lives", they have seen the years and seasons change from stages, in rehearsal rooms and out of car windows.



Gangspil: Gangspil Live At Alice, Copenhagen

GO 2524 / 5705934006238 / label: Go'Danish / format: CD / Denmark – Folk

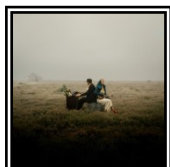
The duo Gangspil is Kristian Bugge (violin, vocal) and Sonnich Lydom (diatonic accordion, harmonica vocal). They are often joined by musician Marlene Beck (piano) at their domestic concerts. She is also playing the piano on this recording. Over the years, they have worked intensely and persistently with traditional music and many of the standard bearers of the traditional Danish music. [Listen.](#)



Tirilil: Tirilil

GO225 / 5705934006313 / label: Go'Danish / format: CD / Denmark – Folk

Tirilil's musical journey began in 2015, driven by a shared love of baroque music, Nordic folk tunes and old hymn melodies. The album is a collection of their own arrangements of Danish hymns. Common to all of them is a love of melodies, lyrics and a consistent tone of what Tirilil is: An inspiration from both baroque music and Nordic folk tunes, where lyrics, melody and harmony illuminate each other. [Listen.](#)



Stemmer i Voks: Stemmer i Voks

GO 925 / 5705934006467 / label: Go'Danish / format: CD / Denmark – Folk

All 13 songs on the album Voices in Wax are based on the raw phonograph recordings from the Jutland moors from the beginning of the 20th century. The voices from the wax cylinders sing together with Ulla Bendixen in new twilight compositions with pedal organ, mandolin, detuned piano, cello, double bass and discreet electronics, drawing the people and stories of the Danish western moorland into our world. [Listen.](#)



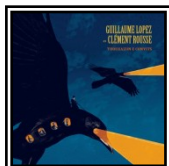
Les Ogres De Barback & La Rue Ketanou: Tout En Commun (out on June 13th, 2025)**TECCD 1 / 3760063732764 / label: Irfan / format: CD / France – Popular****TECLP 1 / 3760063732719 / label: Irfan / format: LP / France – Popular**

They'd been talking for a while about the idea of touring together. Not just one after the other on stage, but really together. It's a deeply singular story told by these two groups and their public, in this close sharing that has not wavered, quite the contrary, over the decades [30 years for Les Ogres, 26 for La Rue]. [Listen.](#)



Picon Mon Amour: Le Cœur, Le Cul Et Le Simple D'Esprit (out on June 13th, 2025)**PMACD 59 / 3760063732733 / label: Irfan / format: CD / France – Popular****PMALP 59 / 3760063732740 / label: Irfan / format: LP / France – Popular**

Picon mon Amour's fourth album, Le cœur, le cul et le simple d'esprit, is an intimate look at the issues that are on their minds, and a simple laugh at the same time. The songs are filled with outbursts, grace, self-questioning and humour. [Listen.](#)



Guillaume Lopez & Clement Rousse: Thouxazun E Convits (out on June 13th, 2025)**CAGLCD 316581 / 3760063732559 / label: Irfan / format: CD / France – Popular**

This album of 16 never-before-recorded tracks is packed with guest stars. With this new album, Guillaume assumes his singularity by offering a new repertoire with sounds that are both very traditional and resolutely modern. More than a ballroom album, this opus is a dance and a listening experience. Guillaume's lyrics are as committed and poetic as ever, inviting us to reflect, to share and to live together. [Listen.](#)



Gianmaria Testa: Da Questa Parte Del Mare (New Edition)**INCCD 339 / 8052141492116 / label: Incipit / format: CD / Italy – Popular**

Da questa parte del mare is a concept album, entirely dedicated to a single topic, as if the whole record were a novel, and the songs as many chapters that together tell a story. The theme is modern migration, a highly topical subject both yesterday and today, a poetic reflection, open and without demagoguery, on the enormous movements of peoples that cross our years. [Listen.](#)



Brighde Chaimbeul: Sunwise (out on June 27th, 2025)**GBCD 176 / 4030433617625 / label: tak:til / format: CD / Scotland – Fusion****GBLP 176 / 4030433617618 / label: tak:til / format: LP / Scotland – Fusion**

After the remarkable success and acclaim that greeted her second album Carry Them With Us, the Scottish composer and small pipes player returns with a magic(k)al third album, Sunwise, which sees her push forward experimentally but also immerse her music more deeply in tradition, folklore and mystery. [Listen.](#)



New Global Ensemble: Dream Walking (out on June 6th, 2025)**NGEONE 25 / 0199066524718 / label: One World Records / format: CD / Various – Fusion**

New album from critically acclaimed saxophonist Benjamin Boone and violinist Stefan Poetzsch, with their New Global Ensemble, which combines musicians from the United States, Germany, Ghana, Mexico, and Ireland. The album is a combination of composition and improvisation with strong rhythms throughout. Both a meditation and a celebration.



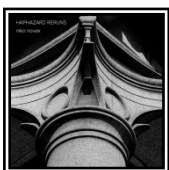
Hawa & Kasse Mady Diabate: Toumaro (out on June 6th, 2025)**KMDONE 25 / 0199066241059 / label: One World Records / format: CD / Mali – Popular****KMDONEV 25 / 0199066564004 / label: One World Records / format: LP / Mali – Popular**

Kasse Mady Diabate was a Malian singer, musician and griot. His soft and particular voice with deep undertones earned him the nickname "The golden voice of Mali". Kasse Mady sadly passed suddenly in 2018, while recording the album. To honour her fathers, Hawa decided to finish the work her father had started.



Rain Sultanov Syndicate: Mr. Joe (out on June 6th, 2025)**RSONE 25 / 0198588434833 / label: One World Records / format: CD / Azerbaijan – Jazz**

Rain Sultanov is a leading jazz saxophonist who has made a great contribution to the development of jazz culture in his native Azerbaijan. Rain met Joe Zawinul in the 1990s and a lifelong friendship developed. After Zawinul's passing in 2007, Rain Sultanov invited some of Zawinul's legendary musicians to form an orchestra, the Rain Sultanov Syndicate. [Listen.](#)



Niko Novak: Haphazard Reruns (out on June 27th, 2025)**POCMCD 2502 / 0826863250228 / label: Ports Of Call Music / format: CD / Slovenia – Blues**

Slovenian singer-songwriter Niko Novak has been leaving his distinctive mark on the underground scenes of Ljubljana and Berlin for more than 3 decades. Niko tours solo, armed only with his bass guitar and his unmistakable baritone voice. His songs are emotionally intense and mysterious, stripped back and haunting, tales that evoke the blurred neon lights of all-night bars, the stale beer and cigarette ash. [Listen.](#)



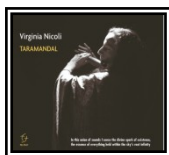
ZOJ: Give Water To Birds (out on June 20th, 2025)**PREC 21 / 0726529864762 / label: Parentheses / format: CD / Australia-Iran – Avantgarde**

ZOJ's sophomore release crafts an evolving sonic landscape where the edges between sound, silence and nature dissolve. Attuned to the moment, the music unfolds slowly and deliberately; drawing you in, asking you to listen deeply, and feel fully. This isn't background music; it's an invitation to be present. You can expect to feel both rooted and untethered, connected yet adrift in a soundscape.



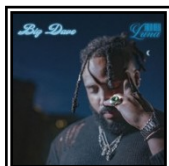
Kengo Saito – Japanistan Trio: Douce Errance**FY 8292 / 8021750829224 / label: Felmay / format: CD / Various – Fusion**

Where Afghan rubab, Japanese shakuhachi and Persian tombak meet giving life to a music rich of poetic nuances and imagination, along a musical area that connects the Far East with the Silk Road territories and reaches Paris where the artists of the Japanistan Trio live. [Listen.](#)



Virginia Nicoli: Taramandal**FY 8297 / 8021750829729 / label: Felmay / format: CD / Various – Fusion**

New album by flautist Virginia Nicoli accompanied by three outstanding Indian percussionists: Sukhad Munde (Pakhawaj), Subhajit Brahmachari and Debajyoti Sanyal (Tabla). From the snowy peaks of the Alps to the cicada-filled Greek summer nights, Virginia Nicoli channels the universal awe of stargazing into profound melodies and improvisations. [Listen.](#)



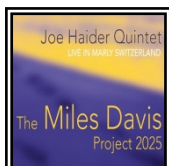
Big Dave: Figlio Della Luna**FT 94 / 8018550999073 / label: Felmay / format: CD / Italy – Popular**

This project is among those new productions that see the rise of the new "Mixed Italian" artists - of mixed generation - deeply rooted in Afro and Afro-American culture, gifting a new meaning to the typical Italian music, through a modern sound and a live performance that captures the general attention. [Listen.](#)



Daniele Cavallanti – A World Of Sound: A Wall Of Sound**FY 7082 / 8021750708222 / label: Felmay / format: CD / Italy – Jazz**

The band founded by Daniele Cavallanti in 2013, today includes, in addition to the leader on tenor sax, Francesco Chiapperini on alto sax and bass clarinet, Gianluca Alberti on double bass and Toni Boselli on drums. The sound of the album has its roots in the effervescent mood of African-American music of the 60s, revised with the sensitivity of contemporary jazz. [Listen.](#)



Joe Haider Quintet: The Miles Davis Project 2025 (out on June 6th, 2025)**3510427 / 4011786254279 / label: Laika Records / format: CD / Germany – Jazz**

This project is intended as "a tribute to the great American trumpeter", in which the pieces Davis played between 1955 and 1960 with his legendary first. For such an ambitious project, even a jazz great like Haider needs comrades-in-arms who stand for quality and virtuoso handling of their own instrument to the same extent as Haider and the musicians of the Miles Davis Quintet themselves.



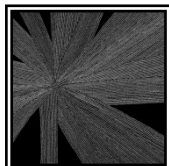
Alexandrina Simeon Quintet & Benny Brown: Quiet Girl**3510429 / 4011786254293 / label: Laika Records / format: CD / Bulgaria – Jazz**

Born in Varna on the Black Sea, Alexandrina Simeon has made Augsburg her musical base camp. From there, she sets out with her top-tier quintet to conquer Europe's stages in a storm. While her previous albums *Roots & Influence* (2010) and *Ocean Tales* (2018) clearly reflect her Bulgarian roots, her new album *Quiet Girl* reveals a completely different side of her. [Listen.](#)



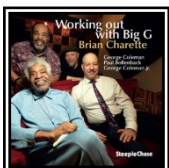
Renner: Never Ending Story**3510430 / 4011786254309 / label: Laika Records / format: CD / Germany – Jazz****3510432 / 4011786254323 / label: Laika Records / format: LP / Germany – Jazz**

Two brothers and one kindred spirit. That's RENNER from Munich, who are currently making waves in the German jazz scene. Rightfully so! The trio deserves the label "extraordinary" in many respects. The lineup featuring trombone, double bass, and drums. [Listen.](#)



Amina Claudine Myers: Solace Of The Mind (out on June 20th, 2025)**RHCD 1007 / 5391538080523 / label: Red Hook Records / format: CD / USA – Jazz****RHLP 1007 / 5391538080516 / label: Red Hook Records / format: LP / USA – Jazz**

Over the past six decades, Amina Claudine Myers' music has ranged far over from the spirituals, hymns and popular gospel groups she heard and emulated during her childhood. Yet those early influences run deeply through her extensive and varied oeuvre.



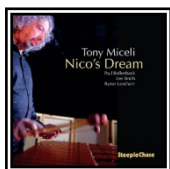
Brian Charette: Working Out With Big G (out on June 6th, 2025)**SCCD 31973 / 0716043197323 / label: SteepleChase Records / format: CD / USA – Jazz**

Many of us old-timers remember George "Big G" Coleman in the late 50s and 60s performing with almost every single legendary name in that golden era of American jazz, a.o. Miles Davis. Coleman who turns 90 this year is still going strong and surrounds himself with the elite artists of younger generation including the leader of this album Brian Charette (Hammond-B3).



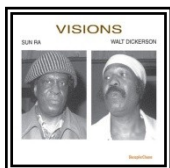
Duke Jordan: Sketching For Les Liaisons Dangereuses (out on June 13th, 2025)**SCCD 36044 / 0716043604425 / label: SteepleChase Records / format: CD / USA – Jazz**

Duke Jordan (1920 - 2006) was approached in NY by Marcel Romano, musical consultant of the French film *Les Liaisons Dangereuses* directed by Roger Vadim in 1959 to audition for the soundtracks. It laid down the groundwork for Jordans rise to the star composer status. All too famous "No Problem" is not included in this sketching but a few of the masterpieces we come to appreciate later are here in their prototypes.



Tony Miceli: Nico's Dream (out on June 20th, 2025)**SCCD 31983 / 0716043198320 / label: SteepleChase Records / format: CD / USA – Jazz**

Since the time vibraphone was invented in 1921 (could be 1916) there has been an impressive and growing list of exceptional practitioners of this mallet instrument. And one of them is Tony Miceli, a vibraphonist of astonishing virtuosity, musical resilience, and inventiveness. His vibes playing is nothing short of phenomenal. This is Tony Miceli's leader debut album on SteepleChase. [Listen.](#)



Sun Ra & Walt Dickerson: Visions (out on June 27th, 2025)**G 1126 / 0716043112616 / label: SteepleChase Records / format: LP / USA – Jazz**

Recorded in the summer of 1978 in Manhattan's C. I. Recording Studio this rare encounter of jazz's supreme instrumentalists and individualists Walt Dickerson (1928 - 2008) and Sun Ra (1914 - 1993) became an instant cult album among the followers of Avant Garde jazz of the 70s. Nearly a half-century after the fact, Visions now stands as a milestone of free improvisation. [Listen.](#)



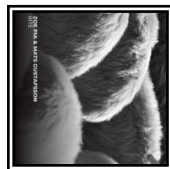
Burkard Kunkel: Monxarella (out on June 27th, 2025)**BAY 22 / 4250095820229 / label: BayLa Records / format: CD / Germany – Jazz**

The Monxarella project arose from a desire to reinterpret Monk's music in a varied and new way. Kunkel deliberately works without overdubs and uses various instruments simultaneously, including the chord zither, bass clarinet, basset horn, alto zither, harp zither, and shruti box, which he plays with his foot. The different timbres are intended to evoke a bittersweet nostalgia.



Victoria Kirilova: Roots & Skies**C 997 / 0746160918419 / label: Da Vinci Jazz / format: CD / Austria – Jazz**

The realization of this album has been a dream of mine for years. I've long wanted to express my love for the musical influences that have shaped me, and find a common ground where they can all meet. I am grateful to the incredible musicians and recording engineers whose dedication and talent brought these compositions to life, to my sister for the wonderful photos and design and to my family. [Listen.](#)



Zoe Pia & Mats Gustafsson: Rite**MPRCD 181 / 8052141491973 / label Parco della Musica / format: CD / Italy – Jazz**

Hailing from Sardinia, Pia brings a fresh sound, or in fact many fresh sounds, from the most traditional launeddas pipes to the enormous tone of her clarinet. Both have a feeling for dramatic arc, sometimes long-form, that evolves organically from the sounds at hand, or in mind. The cavernous sound of Sardinian and Swedish-Austrian soul. Not dark, but darkish.



Claudio Fasoli: A Long Trip 22**MPRCD 188 / 8052141492031 / label: Parco della Musica / format: CD / Italy – Jazz**

Surprising is the quartet's synchrony and tunefulness, the painstaking sequence and intermittence of the saxophone, of the tempos, an almost surreal equilibrium where it seems to be the very soul of the music, flowing with the refinement of the sounds, the efficiency of the emotions, that guides the musicians through a phantom orchestration without a master.

Transglobal World Music Chart May 2025

- # Trio Da Kali: Bagola (One World Records) TDKONE 25 / TDKONEV 25
- # Kankou Kouyate: N'Darila (One World Records) KKONE 25
- # Park Jiha: All Living Things (tak:til -Glitterbeat Records) GB CD 165 / GBLP 165
- # Ablaye Cissoko & Cyrille Brotto: Djiyo (Ma Case Prod) MACASE 32
- # Ensemble Marani: Sharatin (Buda Musique) BUDA 860402
- # Mehmet Polat Quartet: Roots In Motion (Aftab Records) MP 25
- # uKanDanz: Evil Plan (Compagnie 4000) CIE 4018 / CIE 4017
- # L'Alba: Grilli (Buda Musique) BUDA 860401
- # Al Andaluz Project: The Songs of Iman Kandoussi (Galileo Music) GMC 113

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- # Trio Da Kali: Bagola (One World Records) TDKONE 25 / TDKONEV 25
- # Los Piranas: Una Oportunidad Mas De Triunfar En La Vida (Glitterbeat Records) GB CD 167 / GBLP 167
- # Estrellas De Buena Vista: Live In Havana (One World Records) EDBVONE 25 / EDBVONV 25
- # Kuunatic: Wheels Of Omon (Glitterbeat Records) GB CD 169 / GBLP 169
- # Santrofi: Making Moves (Outhere Records) OHCD 41 / OHLP 41
- # Ensemble Marani: Sharatin (Buda Musique) BUDA 860402
- # Maria Joao: Abundancia (Galileo Music) GMC 112 / GMCLP 112
- # Kankou Kouyate: N'Darila (One World Records) KKONE 25

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