

Enja presents: Ulrich Drechsler's new Album: 'Beyond Words'

Ulrich Drechsler – Bass Clarinet
Benny Omerzell - Piano
Wolfgang Rainer – Drums/Percussion

feat. Efrat Alony - Vocals

"Music has the power to express all which words cannot describe. Music can mirror all the being entirely – the heart, the soul and the spirit of a person. All the more she should be as candid as possible."
(Ulrich Drechsler)

The person Ulrich Drechsler

Ulrich Drechsler, born and raised close to Stuttgart, actually intended to study classic clarinet before he decided upon the saxophone. He studied in Austria where he also lives today.

In the past years he established himself as one of the most ambiguous and unpredictable musicians in Europe. He stormed the international Jazz and Clubcharts, amongst others with the Nu Jazz Trio 'Cafe Drechsler' with whom he was awarded the Austrian Amadeus Music Award in 2005.

The succeeding project 'Drechsler' (CD 'The Big Easy', 2009) is equally successful.

He played touching ballads with piano player extraordinaire Tord Gustavson (CD 'humans & places', 2006), indulged into delicate dialogues with his Daily Mysteries Trio (CD 'Daily Mysteries', 2007) and interpreted Thelonious Monk and Franz Schubert in a spectacular new way.

In 2010 the renowned german label Enja released 'Concinnity', the debut album of Drechsler's highly praised Cello quartet. Furthermore Drechsler's work as a film composer is thriving.

The Album 'Beyond Words'

'Beyond Words' – where the power of words terminates, there begins the world of music – no frontiers, unambiguous. The possibility to reach people in an authentic and direct way and to touch them emotionally is an integral part of Ulrich Drechsler's music.

Intimacy, energy, passion and love – that's what is most important to Drechsler and totally fulfils what he demands from music. And with the

intimate instrumentation consisting of bass clarinet, piano and drums, he is capable of expressing it all.

On '**Beyond Words**' Drechsler's compositions reach completely new dimensions and significance. This is the outcome of working together with a new generation of musicians with a fresh and ingenuous approach to music.

The Austrian piano player Benny Omerzell combines tremendous musicality with brilliant technique and sensitivity to the case. And Wolfgang Rainer is able to turn everything into music that comes to his hands. He creates sounds that go way beyond the common possibilities of playing the drums.

In addition to that, the music on '**Beyond Words**' gains extra dimension and depth due to the extraordinary deep singing of Efrat Alony, the Israely singer that lives in Berlin, who cooperated on two pieces. The homogeneity that emanates from her voice in combination with Ulrich Drechsler's bass clarinet makes one think that they have been working together ever since.

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